

St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

15th March 2024



This week's Gospel

"Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified."

John 12: 20-33

"Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds"

Pope Francis

Mrs. Rawlinson's message

It has been a busy week for parents this week, with parents forum meeting on Monday evening, parents evening on Wednesday, then own clothes day in return for Easter goodies on Thursday. Once again, thank you to all our parents for your continued support, generosity and contributions to school life.

Following on from the parents forum meeting, it has been decided to upgrade our PE t-shirt to a higher quality material which will be easier and quicker to wash and dry. It also looks a lot smarter! This new design t-shirt will be available ready for September 2024. More information to follow soon.

Thank you for feedback given via the parental questionnaire from parents evening too. The information gathered from questionnaires and meetings really does help in making further improvements to school and school life. It will take some time to analyse fully the responses received and these will be shared with you in next week's newsletter. At first glance of the results however, homework does seem to be an area for review. This will be discussed at our next staff meeting and I will keep parents informed. A full analysis and 'you said...we did' approach will be included in next Friday's newsletter.

Whilst the information gathered is vital, please do not wait for a questionnaire or parental meeting to raise important issues. I am always willing to meet with parents and discuss ways to improve school at any time throughout the year, especially if there is something that is pertinent to you on a personal level. You can contact me via lyn.rawlinson@sthelens.org.uk and I will arrange a suitable time to meet with you. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross/Easter Service

Please note the change of date

Our Easter service will now take place on Wednesday, 20th March at 11am.

Please accept apologies for any inconvenience caused.

As always, any help with walking the children to and from church will be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks in advance.

Junior Parkrun

St. Thomas of Canterbury 'take over' at Junior Parkrun!

The second takeover will be taking place on

Sunday, 24th March at 9.00am at Victoria Park.

It would be amazing to have as many of our children there (there will be goodies too!)

To take part, all you need is a barcode (use google for this) or come and speak with Mrs Rawlinson who will be more than happy to help you.



My aim is to get as many children as active as possible as it is good for physical and mental health for everyone. Children (and accompanying adults) can walk, jog or run the 2km course but most of all you get to enjoy the fresh air and make new friends.

PTFA Easter Bingo

Looking forward to the PTFA's annual Easter Bingo evening to be held on

Thursday, 21st March at 6.00pm

(note: later time than previously advertised)

Thank you for your generous donations.

On-line Safety Tip

This week's tip is:

Child tip: " Think about what you are saying to others when gaming online. If you wouldn't be prepared to say this to them or their parents, it might be better not to say anything at all."

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Parent tip: Check your parental controls on your child's devices. You may wish to have messages that your child receives automatically forwarded onto your phone.

Nursery Admissions for 2024

We still have 30 hour and 15 hour funded places available in our Nursery for September 2024 for children who turn three before

31st August 2024.

If you would like any further information regarding nursery places, funding entitlements or to pick up application forms, please contact the school office on telephone number

01744 621380

End of spring term

Please be aware that the last day of the spring term is

Thursday, 28th March 2024

Children will finish school at 1.30pm.

Please note there will be no after school club on this day.

Thank you.

Growing Together in God's Love

Important Dates for your Diary

March

- 19th - Rock Steady Performance (2pm) - change of date
- 20th - Stations of the Cross (11am in Church)
- 20th - Y4 First Forgiveness (5pm)
- 21st - PTFA Easter Bingo (new time 6pm)
- 24th - Junior Parkrun (Victoria Park)
- 25th - Y6 Residential (The Conway Centre) leave at 10am
- 27th - Y6 return from Residential
- 27th - Nursery Easter Bonnet Parade - (9.15am in school)
- 28th - end of Spring term (school closes for Easter at 1.30pm)

April

- 10th - School Re-opens for Summer term (doors open from 8.40am)
- 22nd - Nursery/Reception Living Eggs (chicks) delivered

May

- 1st - Y3 visit to Liverpool Museum (re-arranged from 7th March)
- 1st - Reception Vision Screening
- 3rd - Y1/Y2 visit to Liverpool Museum (re-arranged from 1st March)
- 10th - PTFA Family Quiz Night at Ruskin
- 22nd - Y5 Trip to Tatton Park
- 24th - End of Summer term 1 (school closes for Whit half-term)

Attendance

For week ending Friday 15th March 2024 the whole school attendance is 96.35%

Reception = 96.64%

Year 1 = 96.66%

Year 2 = 94.87%

Year 3 = 96.94%

Year 4 = 96.95%

Year 5 = 95.95%

Year 6 = 96.43%