



St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School



Monday, 30th June 2025



This week's Gospel

*"Who do you say I am?" Jesus asked.
"You are the Christ, Son of the living God."*

Matthew 16:13-19

A message from Mrs Rawlinson

Apologies for the delay in this newsletter—Friday was an especially busy day! That said, we're delighted to report that the Summer Fayre was a fantastic success. There was such a wonderful atmosphere on the school field, and we raised an impressive amount of money for the school.

A heartfelt thank you goes to the amazing PTFA for all their hard work behind the scenes in planning and preparing the event. We're also incredibly grateful to everyone who helped run a stall, and to those who stayed behind to tidy up afterwards.

Finally, thank you to all who came along and supported the event—it was lovely to see so many of you there - even those who threw sponges at me!

Don't forget—Sports Day is this Wednesday!

We're looking forward to a fun-filled day of activities across the school:

- **EYFS** will kick things off first thing in the morning
- **Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)** will take place from **10:45 to 12:00**
- **Key Stage 2** events will be held in the afternoon

Please make sure your child is wearing suncream before coming to school and brings a hat to stay protected in the sun. Let's hope for great weather and a fantastic day of sporting fun!

PANTS

In our personal development assemblies, the children will be hearing the PANTS message on how to keep themselves safe. This initiative comes straight from NSPCC and is important to raise awareness. See over for further information.

If you want to know more, please visit the NSPCC website or contact school.

Thanks

Let's Talk PANTS

Talk PANTS is all about having important conversations with children to help keep them safe from sexual abuse – with the help of Pantosaurus, of course!

From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides a simple but valuable rule.



Find out more:
[nspcc.org.uk](https://nspcc.org.uk/talkpants)
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NSPCC

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

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Growing Together in God's Love


PTFA Family Quiz Night


The PTFA will be holding a Family Quiz Night on **Friday 11th July at LSH rugby club.**


Letters with information about this event will be sent home later this week.

Plan Your Summer in St Helens!

A Free Drop-In Event for Parents, Carers and Young People – Including HAF and Short Breaks

 **Date:** Thursday 3rd July

 **Time:** 4pm – 7pm

 **Venue:** Saints – Totally Wicked Stadium

Looking for **Holiday Activities, Short Breaks**, or **free food and fun** this summer?
Come along to *Plan Your Summer* and find out what's on for children and young people across St Helens.

- ☒ Meet providers offering **HAF – Holiday Activities and Food** (free for eligible children)
- ☒ Find out about **Short Breaks** for children and young people with additional needs
- ☒ Discover clubs, activities and support available throughout the summer holidays
- ☒ Ask questions, collect leaflets, and plan your family's summer

No need to book – just drop in!

Free refreshments available.

Everyone welcome – families, carers, and young people of all ages.

 For more information, contact: elizabethbarr-jones@sthelens.gov.uk

Let's get summer sorted! 🌟

Summer Sports Camp

Letters were sent home at the end of last week.

Places will be confirmed by text message by the end of this week.

Thank you.

End of summer term

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

Tuesday, 22nd July.

Children will finish school at 1.30pm.

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

Thank you.

Sports day

The date set for sports day this year is

Wednesday, 2nd July

Lets hope for good weather!

Nursery and Reception Classes will start at 9.10am.

Children from Year 1 & Year 2 will start their sports day events at 10.30am.

Children from Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 will start their sports day events at 1pm.

We look forward to seeing as many parents and grandparents, who are able to attend, to cheer on the children!

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Important Dates for your Diary

July

- 2nd - School Sports Day (see schedule in newsletter)
- 4th - Y6 Enterprise Day
- 7th - Year 6 De La Salle Transition week (all week)
- 9th - Transition Day for whole school (new intake Nursery & Reception taster sessions)
- 11th - PFTA Family Quiz Night (LSH rugby club)
- 15th - Y6 Crocky Trail Trip
- 15th - Rock Steady Summer Concert (2.15pm school hall)
- 17th - Y6 Leavers Performance (time TBC)
- 18th - End of school year mass (church 11am)
- 21st - Nursery end of year celebration assembly (9.30-10.30am)
- 21st - Y6 end of year awards night (5pm)
- 22nd - End of Summer term (school closes at 1.30pm)**
- 28th - Summer Sports Camp Day 1
- 29th - Summer Sports Camp Day 2
- 30th - Summer Sports Camp Day 3

Attendance at school

Good attendance at school is not just valuable —
it is essential.



Attendance and punctuality at school is not just for the academic progress your child will make, but is also important for developing personal qualities too, such as:

- ◆ Friendships
- ◆ Social skills
- ◆ Team and school values
- ◆ Cultural awareness & Life skills

Attendance

For week ending Friday, 27th June 2025 the whole school attendance is 95.84%

Reception = 97.4%

Year 1 = 96.67%

Year 2 = 99.2%

Year 3 = 95.4%

Year 4 = 93.5%

Year 5 = 93.5%

Year 6 = 95.2%