



St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School



Friday, 18th July 2025



This week's Gospel

"You worry and fret about so many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is good and this will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:38-42

A message from Mrs Rawlinson

As we bring this academic year to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our parents, children, and the wider school community. It has been a successful year in so many ways — filled with learning, growth, and moments of joy — and together, we have faced and overcome a number of challenges.

Your unwavering support and contributions continue to amaze me. It is a true privilege to be the Head Teacher of such a wonderful school. St. Thomas of Canterbury is more than just a place of learning — we are a family — and I will always be grateful to the incredible people who make this such a fabulous community.

A special word of good luck to our amazing Year 6 children as they prepare for the next exciting step in their academic journey. As you move on to high school in September, we send you off with love, best wishes, and the hope for continued success in all that you do.

We also extend a very warm welcome to the new families who will be joining us in September. We look forward to meeting you and beginning this exciting new chapter together.

To all our families, I wish you a restful, enjoyable summer break. I hope you find time to relax, recharge, and make lasting memories. Please know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers throughout the holidays.

Finally, I would like to say a sincere thank you and fond farewell to Mr. Hale who will be taking up his new role as Head teacher at Corpus Christi, Rainford in September. While we are truly sorry to see him go, we know that Corpus Christi is gaining an outstanding leader. Mr. Hale has played a pivotal role in the life of our school since joining us over four years ago. His talent, dedication, and inspiration have been instrumental to our successes.

Mr. Hale began his journey with us as Deputy Head and Year 6 teacher, but he leaves as a valued friend. He will be greatly missed — although I won't miss the years of torment involving plastic toy spiders!

Please join me in wishing Mr. Hale every success in his new role. We look forward to giving him and all of Year 6 the warmest of send-offs on Tuesday.

Wishing you all a safe, happy, and blessed summer,

Mrs. Rawlinson

Reminder about staffing for next academic year:

Class	Teacher	Teaching assistants
Nursery	Mrs. Horrocks (Nursery manager)	Miss. Taylor and Mrs. Scott
Reception	Ms. Farrell	Mrs Snee and Mrs Dunning
Year 1	Mrs. Barry	Mrs. Draper and Mrs Dunning
Year 2	Mrs. Cain	Mrs. Shepherd
Year 3	Mrs. Houghton	Mrs. Hayton
Year 4	Mrs. Ganson	Mrs. Rignall and Miss Wilkinson
Year 5	Mr. McCue	Mrs. Mills
Year 6	Mrs. Rawsthorne	Mrs. Tucker

Nursery End of Year Celebration Assembly

Our nursery children will invite parents to a special end of year celebration assembly on Monday, 21st July starting at 9.30am in the school hall.

Year 6 End of Year Awards

Year 6 children will be celebrating the end of their primary school years on Monday, 21st July.

Parents are invited to a very special Awards Evening which will be held in the school hall at 5pm.

PTFA Raffle & Non- Uniform Day

We made a profit of £149. Thank you to all those who made a donation and well done to the lucky winners of the class prizes. A draw will take place in assembly next week for the Saints Tickets and Darcie's Dance World Voucher.

PTFA Lottery

The final lottery draws for this year took place during assembly last week. Well done to the lucky winners! Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who took part in the lottery

May	1 st Prize £40	No. 30	Rachel Tucker
May	2 nd Prize £20	No. 1	Martin Wills
June	1 st Prize £40	No. 64	Kate Bagdonovicius
June	2 nd Prize £20	No. 20	Henry & Elise Walsh
July	1 st Prize £40	No. 34	Mercedes Nash
July	2 nd Prize £20	No. 20	Henry & Elise Walsh
August	1 st Prize £40	No. 41	Joanne Bain
August	2 nd Prize £20	No. 57	Frances Simms



**Total raised this
school year**
£7,160



★ Lottery
£630

★ Halloween Disco
£660

★ Xmas4schools
£231

★ Christmas Fayre
£2627

★ Easter Bingo
£595

★ Summer Fayre
£2268

★ Own clothes day
/Raffle
£149

**Total spent this
academic year**
£13,205

£177	Online Teaching Resource subscriptions
£1250	Cinema Trip Coaches
£714	Altru Drama Christmas Performance of Pinocchio
£62	Christmas Parties Drinks, Snacks and prizes
£222	PA System for use at PTFA events and school concerts etc
£8201	Playground equipment (removal of old tables, screening for KS2 fences, new bark mulch, picnic tables, play equipment)
£688	Mighty Writer Teaching resource for all staff
£474	Altru Drama World Book Day workshops
£70	Ice Machine for First Aid
£120	Bingo Machine for PTFA events
£257	Stationery supplies
£320	Altru Drama Transition Workshops
£650	Coach for Y6 leavers trip to Crocky Trail (funded every year)

Important Dates for your Diary

July

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

August

19th - One day Summer Sports Camp

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.

Out of Hours Club

Please ensure that any outstanding arrears balances are cleared on your out of hours club accounts.

Bookings should be made and paid for via schoolmoney in advance.

A reminder that for emergency on the day bookings the money to cover the cost of the session along with the £2.50 late booking fee should be credited to the account before contacting the school office.

Thank you.

Attendance at school

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

Attendance

For week ending Friday, 18th July 2025 the whole school attendance is 95.37%

Reception = 94.4%

Year 1 = 98.5%

Year 2 = 99.2%

Year 3 = 93.8%

Year 4 = 95.7%

Year 5 = 100%

Year 6 = 97%