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ST THOMAS' NEWS - APRIL 20TH 2018

Welcome Back

We hope you all enjoyed a lovely, relaxing break over the Easter holidays. The summer term is always a very busy one with residential trips, sporting events and other extra-curricular activities so we hope everyone is raring to go!

A list of diary dates has been sent out with this newsletter; please take note of forthcoming events and do be aware that there are likely to be additions in the coming weeks which will be shared accordingly.

A very warm welcome to James who has joined our Reception class, and our new starters in Nursery: Esme, Harrison & Finlay. We're delighted they have chosen our school and wish them all the very best throughout their time here.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Year 6 teacher Miss Stelfox, who got engaged over the Easter holidays. We are all delighted for her and

Danny, and wish them both every happiness together.

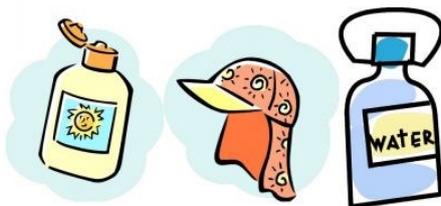


Sunny Days

What a difference a bit of sunshine makes! The pupils have all been enjoying the sunny weather in recent days, making use of the outdoor classroom and play equipment.

Can we just remind you to ensure your children have a water bottle & sunhat in school every day, and that you apply suncream to them before school.

Please can we also politely remind all parents that children using the climbing frame and trim trail before and after school do so at their own risk and must be supervised closely.



Communication

To make sure you don't miss out on any letters that are sent home, spare copies will now be available at the KS1 & KS2 exit doors and will also be available to download on the school website www.st-thomas.co.uk from the "News" pages.

Don't forget that our Twitter page is a fantastic way to keep up to speed with what we've been doing in school—follow us [@stthomas_cofe](https://twitter.com/stthomas_cofe).

School Dinner Menu

Please note that next week we will be on "Week One" of the Autumn/Winter menu; the new menu will start on Monday 30th April and will be sent out shortly.

St Thomas' Youth Work

The Pathfinders group continues to grow and is well-attended by pupils in Years 5 & 6. They meet at the church hall from 4-5.30pm on Tuesdays for games, fun, snacks & chat.

St Thomas' church hall will be bouncing on Saturday night with a free youth event. "The Identity", a five-piece Christian rock band will be performing two sets and there will be a speaker from "Youth for Christ". The event is aimed at Year 6 pupils and above—entrance is free but bring some money for the tuck shop. Doors open at 6.30pm and it finishes at 9pm.

This year St Thomas' church is 150 years old. As part of the celebrations there is going to be a Mad Hatter's Tea Party in July. Adam is looking for children to get involved with a performance; there will be a meeting on Sunday 22nd April at 2pm at St Thomas' church.

For further information on any of the above events, please contact Adam Post, the children, youth & family worker on 07914 950659.

Safeguarding

As a school the safety and welfare of our pupils is at the forefront of all that we do.

Should you have any concerns, our Designated Safeguarding Person is the headteacher, Mr Ian Moss or deputy headteacher, Miss Vickie Toft.

After-school Clubs

Our new programme of after-school clubs has already started, but there is still space on the following:

Monday: Zumba—Rec, Y1 & Y2

Tuesday: Magical Maths—KS2

Wednesday: Magical Maths—KS1

Friday: Cricket—KS2

Please contact the office for further details.



Your local park needs you!

The Friends of Alexandra Park have just launched their 9th year of Café In The Park. The café is open from 2pm to 4pm on Saturdays until the end of August, serving delicious homemade cakes, hot & cold drinks and ice lollies. It is staffed by local volunteers, with all profits going towards the upkeep of the park, which is well used by St Thomas' families!

New people are always needed to help keep the café running, be it baking a cake or assisting in the café from time to time. If you're interested in helping out the group can be contacted via their Facebook page FOAP (Friends of Alexandra Park) or email: friendsofalexandrapark@gmail.com



Donations needed

Mrs Parker's daughter Mollie is going to Kenya with the Warrington Wolves Foundation Young Trustees next month. The purpose of the trip is to develop the game of Rugby League within the local villages, whilst also supporting local schools by renovating old classrooms and providing vital educational and medical equipment. If you can donate any of the following for Mollie to take she would be ever so grateful:

- Second-hand rugby or football kits
 - Stationery: pens, pencils, erasers, pencil-sharpener, lined paper.
 - Toothpaste & toothbrushes
 - Old prescription glasses
- Donations can be dropped at the school office. Thank you!

Parent's Pinboard!

Library News!

We have recently spent some of the funds that has been raised with your help on some fantastic bright bean bag chairs and cubes. A very kind parent has made some fantastic bunting to decorate the space too.

Keep your eyes posted for the photos of this transformation—coming soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our annual Summer Fair is coming soon!

It is on

Saturday 23rd June

So put that date in your diaries and if you can help in any way or wish to sponsor a stall, please let us know via any of the methods below

And don't forget about our Big Top Circus on

Saturday 14th July

full details coming soon!

HOG ROAST

The BARN DANCE is nearly here so please get your tickets fast!

Tickets are £12.50 and include a Ceilidh Band with caller to get you on that dance floor PLUS don't forget that scrumptious hog roast too! Vegetarian option also available.



There is a real ale bar also serving prosecco and wine PLUS we have the 'Gin Tin' serving all varieties of Gin and some fabulous cocktails too



Tickets can be bought online via www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-thomas-network.

Or contact Tracy at the school office or via email at stthomasptanetwork@gmail.com

See you there cowboy!