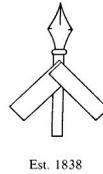


# St Thomas' CE Primary School

Inspiring faith, love and learning



## Newsletter 23rd May 2019

### RESIDENTIALS

Our pupils have enjoyed some wonderful residential visits this year. We believe these trips form an important part in the development of our pupils, bringing the curriculum to life and inspiring children. Often on these trips, children find themselves in a completely different environment and are taken out of their comfort zone, but surprise themselves by rising to the challenges they face and come away with a real sense of achievement and confidence.

In recent weeks, Year 2 have enjoyed den building and pond-dipping at Foxhawl in Delamere Forest, Year 3 discovered castles and birds of prey at Burwardsley, Year 5 survived the Piranha Pool and tackled the high ropes at Robinwood in Wrexham and Year 6 are currently buggy-building and flying on the giant swing at PGL in Winmarleigh.

We want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who entrust us with their children when we take them away on these adventures. We know it can be hard to wave you children off and not have any contact with them, but hope that our regular Twitter updates reassure you that they're having fun and not missing home at all! We also want to thank all the staff who give up their time to lead and accompany the trips; they may come back looking a little weary but also talk about how it's an opportunity to really get to know our pupils outside of the classroom and how proud they are of what the children achieve.



### DIARY DATES

**Friday 24th May**  
Y2 Foxhawl Assembly 9am  
Break up for Whit holidays

**Monday 10th June**  
School re-opens

**Tuesday 11th June**  
Y5 & Y6 Financial workshop

**Friday 14th June**  
Y3 & Y4 at Chester Zoo



“I am with you always” Matthew 28:20

Congratulations to Miss Butler, who has been offered the post of Reception teacher to cover Miss Johnson's maternity leave. Miss Butler is a familiar and popular face around school, having completed work placements here. She has been spending recent days getting to know the Reception pupils and familiarise herself with their routines. Welcome Miss Butler—we're delighted to have you on board!

One of our Reception parents has helped to create a beautiful display outside the EYFS doors. Indigo's mum worked with pupils to depict this scene of the Creation story, featuring Adam & Eve, oceans, night & day, animals, plants and trees. Thank you for your work, it looks fantastic.



*We hope you're all looking forward to the Whit holidays and that everyone enjoys a relaxing break. Don't forget that we're off for two weeks! School re-opens on Monday 10th June.*

*Miss Johnson starts her maternity leave tomorrow. We hope she finds time to put her feet up and have a well-deserved rest before the bundle of joy arrives. We're all excited to meet the new addition to her lovely family and will share the baby news with you when it happens!*



## OUR CHURCH SCHOOL IN ACTION

Vicar Michael gave an assembly on Monday about "Thy Kingdom Come", a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. Children have brought home a "Family Prayer Adventure Map" - it's a colourful, engaging and interactive map designed for households to complete together. Children are invited to bring the completed books back after the holidays.

If you're looking for something to do during the Whit holidays, there will be Family Fun & Craft afternoons at St Thomas' church hall. Costing just £2, come along from 2-4pm on Tues 4th, Weds 5th & Thurs 6th June. For more information, contact Adam Post, our Youth, Children & Family worker on 07914 950659.

On Sunday 9th June, several of our Year 6 pupils will be confirmed at St Thomas' church at 10.45am. As they deepen their relationship with God, please come along to support Oliver, Bella, Izzy, Mason, Ella R, Ella D & Freya.

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