



St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School Newsletter



Week Beginning: Monday 13th May

Don't forget we break up for half term on Wednesday 22nd May, and return to school on Monday 3rd June.

OWN CLOTHES

On **Monday 20th May** we are holding an own clothes day in return for a voluntary donation of sweets for our forthcoming Fun Day. All donations of sweets will be gratefully received and should be handed in to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your support in advance!

HIGH PRAISE FOR ST MARY & ST THOMAS

We are delighted to share that the work of St Mary and St Thomas featured in the St Helens Star last week. The article reports on all our work around promoting positive mental health. Why not have a read, if you haven't already?

<https://www.sthelensstar.co.uk/news/17630100.from-peer-massage-to-whisper-buttons-and-meditation-how-one-school-helps-pupils-with-their-mental-health/?ref=twtrrec>

MINI POLICE PARKING PROJECT

Year 5 pupils as part of our Mini Police Programme have been working in collaboration with Merseyside Police, St Helens Council Traffic Officers and Asda Stores to look at traffic management around the school grounds. A consultation was held with representatives from the above agencies to draw up a questionnaire for parents. On Monday 13th May, pupils canvassed parents on and off school grounds to gain their views. The questionnaires are currently being analysed and information will be fed back to Directors, Governors, staff and parents soon. One initiative discussed is promoting Walk To School Week.

Wrap Around

Wrap around will not run on Wednesday 22nd May as it is the last day of this half term.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

Week commencing Monday 20th May is Walk to School Week. You can join in this national campaign by either walking to school from your home, if you don't already, or parking your car further away from school and walking part of the way. #increasethosesteps

HEADLICE

Please can we remind all parents to check their child's hair for headlice each week, or whenever you suspect an infection. This includes checking all members of the family as well as bedding and collars on clothing. The best way for us to stop the infection, is to do the detection! Long hair should always be tied up for school. Should you require further information about headlice, please speak with your child's class teacher who can provide you with a useful advice leaflet.

BIFFA COMPETITION

A big well done to Y2 & Y3 who are the winners of the Biffa Easter Egg box collection competition. An extra playtime is coming your way!

KS2 STATUTORY TEST WEEK

Well done to each and every one of our Y6 children who really shone during their SATs this week! All staff feel incredibly proud of how hard the children worked and their positive mental attitude towards the tests.

SONGFEST

Today our Reception children enjoyed participating in a musical experience at the Town Hall. The children represented our school beautifully as well! Well done Reception.

SCIENCE WEEK

Week commencing Monday 20th May here at St Mary and St Thomas' we will be having a focus on scientific enquiry for the final few days of the half term. Children across the school will have the opportunity to take part in exciting investigations which will ignite their curiosity and develop their scientific enquiry skills.

ASCENSION DAY WORSHIP

On Wednesday 22nd May at 9.30am, Year 3 will lead Ascension Day Worship at the **Parish Church** (not St Thomas') which Y4 will watch. All parents/carers are welcome!

SQUASH

Next half term Y6 will enjoy squash lessons every Tuesday afternoon at the YMCA building.

WINDMILL FARM

On **Wednesday 5th June** Reception will enjoy a day out at Windmill Farm. By now you should have received a separate letter about this trip which outlines the plan for the day. Please ask your child's class teacher if you require a second copy of the letter.

NEW TO RECEPTION INTAKE MEETING FOR PARENTS

At **9.15am on Thursday 6th June**, the parents/carers of children who will be starting with us in Reception this September, are invited to an intake meeting led by Mrs Neilson. Please come to the main entrance 5 minutes before the start of the meeting.

NEW TO NURSERY INTAKE MEETING FOR PARENTS

At **2.15pm on Thursday 6th June**, the parents/carers of children who will be starting with us in Nursery next academic year, are invited to an intake meeting led by Miss Bowen. Please come to the main entrance 5 minutes before the start of the meeting.

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PARENTS DATES FOR DIARY- SUMMER 1 (2018-19)

	HALF TERM BEGINS
20.5.19	Walk to School Week Science Week Own Clothes Day – donation of sweets
22.5.19	Y3 Church Worship (Ascension Day), 9.30am, Parish Church End of Term

Well done to the following children, who have won the Headteacher's Award this week!

CLASS	NAME	REASON
NURSERY	George	Being kind and considerate
RECEPTION	Alicia	Super behavior all week
YEAR 1	Jake	Excellent phonics work
YEAR 2	Joshua	Always working hard
YEAR 3	Tyler	Excellent maths
YEAR 4	Xan	Excellent effort in the presentation of his work
YEAR 5	Ethan	Being an active learner in all lessons
YEAR 6	Team Y6	Being legit superstars!

LUNCHTIME AWARDS

YEAR	NAME
REC	Callie
YEAR 1	Viktoria
YEAR 2	Riley
YEAR 3	Elora
YEAR 4	Millie
YEAR 5	Alfie
YEAR 6	Dominic

ATTENDANCE AWARD

Whole school attendance last week was 97.5%
Well done to Reception class with 99.6% and
year 4 with 98.1% they have won the class
attendance awards this week!
Well done everyone!

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Rec	99.6%
Y1	97.8%
Y2	97.8%
Y3	97.9%
Y4	98.1%
Y5	94.0%
Y6	97.5%

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