

Don't hide your light! Let it shine for all; let your good deeds glow for all to see, so that they will praise your heavenly Father. – *Matthew 5:16*



St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School Newsletter

w/b: Monday 17th April

Welcome Back - Summer Term

We hope all of our families enjoyed a restful Easter break creating new memories and possibly eating lots of chocolate! We've had a busy first week of our summer term and the children have enjoyed getting back to school life. As always, we are sure this term will be filled with hard work and fun, but we also have some fantastic events happening that we're really looking forward to!

After-School Clubs

The clubs for this half term went live on Arbor and will commence next week, starting on Monday. If your child has expressed interest in being in the end of year production, auditions will be taking place soon and following that, information on dates for rehearsals.

Parent/Guardians Consultations

Thank you to the parents and carers who joined us for meetings this week to discuss their child's progress. Working in partnership with yourselves is an integral part of your child's learning journey and we know it's always lovely to share the work they have been completing in school with you.

Y4 Family Learning

Next Thursday, Y4 parents and carers are invited to the next Y4 Family Learning session. This session is for parents and carers to gain insight into the Relationships and Sex Education work that the children will be completing in the summer term. We encourage you to join us so we can work in collaboration to educate our children on this important topic. It will take place in the school hall at 2.30pm.

KS2 SATS Week

The Y6 children will be completing their KS2 SATs from Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May. Please look out for a letter regarding logistics of that week, which your child will be brining home soon. The children will be asked to attend earlier than usual and breakfast will be provided. We do this to ensure their wellbeing is prioritised and that they have time and space to ground themselves prior to the tests.

Community Events

Take a look at some of the leaflets we've attached to this week's newsletter for a number of community events taking place in St Helens. We have also shared information via email about a Paediatric First aid course taking place next week that is completely free for parents to complete.

SMST Facebook Page

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook! This will be used to post updates to families, share news and pictures of special events and to make important announcements. To find us, just search for **St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School** and you should find us there. Please make sure you like our page and follow it for these important updates as we will be reducing the amount of text messages we are sending in light of this. We'd also love it if you could share the page too!

Believe in ourselves, each other and God; Achieve in all we do; Shine every day!

Compassion, Joy, Thankfulness, Forgiveness, Hope, Perseverance
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Please see below for important Summer 1 term dates:

Date	Event
Tuesday 18 th April	YR/Y1/Y3 Parent Consultations
Wednesday 19th April	Y2/Y6 Parent Consultations
Thursday 20 th April	Y4/Y5 Parent Consultations
Thursday 27 th April	Y4 Family Learning
Thursday 4 th May	Y1 Family Worship
w/c Monday 8th May	KS2 SATs week
	Y5 Bikeability
Thursday 18th May	Y3 Ascension Day Church Service
	Nursery Open Day Walkaround
Tuesday 23 rd May	Y5 Petty Pools trip
Thursday 25th May	Half term



FAMILY OF FAITH

A reflection from... Mrs Parry

It's so lovely to talk to children about compassion because I believe, in their very nature, they have so much compassion.

When we talk to the children about those who are less fortunate than they are, they are always so kind and giving, wanting to know ways they can help. When we talk to the children about animals in our Science lessons, they love to learn about how best to care for God's creatures. These are all ways that children can show. compassion.

As with so many things, we can learn so much from children.

Our **Christian value** focus this half term is...

Compassion

Our school **bible verse** of the week is...

Ephesians 4:32

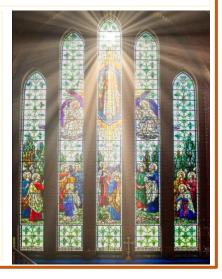
"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

St Thomas Church

Peter Street, St Helens, WA10 2EB 01744 732463 / stthomaseccleston@gmail.com

Sunday Services
Parish Mass: 9.30am – 10.30am
Evening prayer: 6.30pm

"Seeking to love God and neighbour in the community of which we are part."





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First Steps 5





Under 5s Toddler Group held at St Thomas' Church, Peter Street, WA10 2EB.

Tuesdays at 1:30pm -2:30pm The sessions are every Tuesday during term time.

Admission is free. Join us for a fun filled afternoon of play, toys, refreshments, songs and stories.



Please contact Miss Wright, at St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School for more information on: 01744 734320 or email stmarythomas@three-saints.org.uk





M.A.T.CH is a fun and interactive session aimed at fathers, grandfathers, uncles and male carers.

Saturday 22nd April 10.00am – 12.00pm

at

Sutton Family Hub (formally known as Sutton Children's Centre),
Ellamsbridge Road, WA9 3PY
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Art and crafts



Baby areas



Cooking and Food taster sessions



Painting and drawing



Tabletop games



And much more



Breakfast and free refreshments will be provided throughout the sessions. For further information please contact Central Link Children's Centre on 01744 67 3445 or Parr Children's Centre on 01744 67 1788







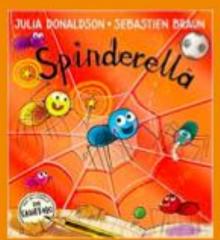


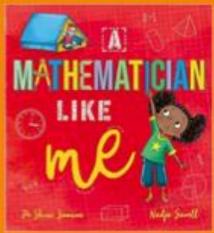




We are offering a free 3 weeks maths course for parents

The course will run at your school, on your chosen day/time.





Parents will receive a free book, bag and get to make resources to support their children with maths.

Courses can be KS1 or KS2.

Please contact Holly Formby at Adult
Learning if you are interested.

07749 709683
hollyformby@sthelens.gov.uk

"Thank you for all your help so far, it has been great getting your service into support parents!"











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

Year	Head Teacher's Award	
N	Isaac	For a fantastic first week in Nursery.
R	Teddy	For being a kind and friendly member of the class.
1	Avery	Excellent effort in her work.
2	Olivia L	For a super effort with writing.
3	Phoebe	For her amazing work in Geography.
4	Tyler	Always engaged and trying in class.
5	Lucas	Fantastic participation in all lessons.
6	Nicole	For always being a fantastic learner & role model.

Year	Lunchtime Award
R	Theo
1	George
2	Noah
3	Isabella
4	Callie
5	Gracie
6	Joshua