



**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 15<sup>th</sup> May**

### **Coronation Celebration**

We will be celebrating the king's coronation on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – this coming Monday. Children are invited to dress like kings and queens, and they will be having a celebratory lunch along with some lovely Coronation themed activities. The children have been writing poems in their classes this week which will be combined to make a whole school coronation poem. We're looking forward to sharing that with you next week on the newsletter, so look out for it!

### **Y3 Ascension Day Service**

Well done to the Y3 children who led a beautiful Ascension Day service this week. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for this special event.

### **Sustrans – Cowley Hill Project**

We have been working with Sustrans who are leading a project dedicated to improving green spaces in our local area. Thank you to the families who have got involved with their work this week and shared their views on the proposed changes to the local area. The children have been involved in a number of activities linked to this work this week such as workshops and campaigning projects.

### **Y4 United Reform Church Visit**

Y4 took a trip to the local URC today to learn a little more about the work they do. We encourage parents and carers of Y4 children to ask them about the visit and all that they learned as part of their Religious Education studies.

### **Y5 Petty Pools**

On Tuesday, Y5 will be heading out on their 1 night residential to Petty Pools. It's sure to be a fun-packed trip with welly walks and climbing. Thank you to the families who joined us for the information meeting today. If you have any further questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

### **End of Year Trips**

All classes have now shared details of their end of year trips and these are available to book via Arbor. It's such a lovely way to celebrate the year the class have shared together by visiting some new places and taking part in fun activities.

### **Last Day of Term**

Next week is the last week of Summer 1 – doesn't time fly when you're having fun? We are finishing for the May break next Thursday and will return to school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

### **After-School Clubs**

Just a reminder that clubs run from straight after school until 4.30pm. The only club that finishes at 4.15pm is Brass club due to this being hosted by the St Helens Music Service.

### **Donations**

Thank you to the families who have donated uniform and other clothing items. We always make sure these are shared with families who will benefit from them, whilst also ensuring things don't go to waste! Should you ever have clothing items you are able to donate, even unused underwear, these are welcomed and can be handed to the school office.

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**Please see below for important Summer 1 term dates:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	SMST Coronation Party Day
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y5 Petty Pools trip
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term

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## FAMILY OF FAITH

### A reflection from... Mrs Parry

Those who know me know I love colour.  
If compassion were a colour, in my mind it would be yellow. Let me tell you why...

Yellow reminds me of sunshine: the spreading of warmth and joy. When I see the sun peaking from behind a cloud, I will it to break through and warm my skin. Yellow makes me feel calm. It seems soft, like sand between your toes. Yellow feels neutral to me, a colour free of judgement and welcoming for all.

So why does yellow link to compassion? Well, receiving compassion is warm like the sun, is calming for your soul and is judgement free. This type of holy compassion is that which the Lord intends us to share, embody and enjoy.

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

## Compassion

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

### Philippians 2:1

*"Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind."*

### 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



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:

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# **MAY HALF TERM TECH CLUB**



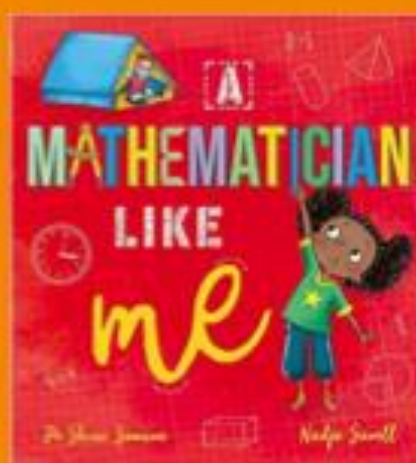
**RAINFORD HIGH SCHOOL**

Higher Lane, Rainford, WA11 8NY

**TUES 30TH – WEDS 31ST MAY  
9AM–3PM**

# 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](mailto:hollyformby@sthelens.gov.uk)

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



St Mary and St Thomas are holding a  
Coronation Party!

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Children are invited to wear party clothes fit  
for a king or queen.



Image drawn by Viet Ahn Duong, Y5.

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

Year	Head Teacher's Award	
N	<b>Florence</b>	For fantastic sound talking in phonics.
R	<b>David-Costin</b>	For lovely work this week.
1	<b>Joseph C</b>	For excellent phonics work this week.
2	<b>Hallie</b>	For always working hard.
3	<b>Matilda</b>	For how much she has improved in swimming.
4	<b>Kai</b>	For super focus.
5	<b>Charlotte</b>	For outstanding effort and contribution.
6	<b>Joshua C</b>	For his excellent effort in his poster about the eye.

Year	Lunchtime Award
R	Leo
1	Wamide
2	Alexi
3	Matilda
4	Rocco
5	Isobel
6	Maddie

Year	Attendance this week	ATTENDANCE AWARD
R	92.5%	Whole school attendance this week was <b>95.4 %</b> Well done to <b>Year 1</b> with <b>99.6%</b> and <b>Year 6</b> with <b>98.8%</b> . They have won the class attendance awards this week! Well done everyone!
1	99.6%	
2	94.2%	
3	97.4%	
4	87.9%	
5	97.9%	
6	98.8%	

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