

St Thomas' C of E Academy

'Learning for Life with Jesus'

Friday 15th September 2023



Diary Dates

Tuesday 26 th September 6:00pm	Year 6 Standon Bowers Parent meeting
Friday 29 th September 9:05	McMillan Coffee morning EYFS to sing
Tuesday 10 th October	Parents Meetings Face to Face booking link to be sent soon Sorry date change due to staff conflict
Monday 9 th October	Harvest All Age Worship at St Thomas'
Friday 13 th October	Year 5 Coffee morning
Friday 20 th October	Year 4 Coffee morning
Friday 27 th October	Year 6 Coffee morning
Monday 30 th Oct– Friday 4 th November	Half term holiday
Monday 6 th November	Return to school
Friday 10 th November	Year 3 Coffee morning
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need- wear Pyjamas and bring a pound
Friday 17 th November	Year 2 Coffee morning
Monday 20 th November	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
Friday 24 th November	Year 1 Coffee morning
Tuesday 12 th December	Festival of Music at Victoria Hall
Thursday 14 th December 9:15	Year 1, 2 and 3 Nativity
Thursday 14 th December 10:30	EYFS Christmas celebration
Thursday 14 th December Time TBC	Year 4, 5 and 6 Carol Service- St Thomas'
Friday 22 nd December	Christmas Party day School finishes for Christmas

Class Dojo

Thank you to all parents who have signed up to class dojo we have had a fabulous response. Class teachers will use class dojo to communicate with parents and share the exciting things that are happening in the classes as well as sharing homework. You can also message your child's class teacher with any questions you may have.



Coffee Mornings

Every Friday morning following Rev Baker's school worship each year group will take it in turns to host an informal coffee morning where they will share work they are proud of. All parents regardless of year group are invited. We will begin on our Macmillan coffee morning on the 29th September when EYFS will be sharing songs they have learnt.

After School Clubs

Our After school clubs will begin on Monday 25th September, each club runs until 4pm. The clubs list for this half term will be made available next week. Clubs will be open to a range of specified year groups and will be free of charge unless run by an outside provider.

Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has begun the new school year with the correct uniform everyone looks very smart. Could I please remind parents that children are asked to wear school shoes with their uniform not trainers. On PE Days children are asked to come into school in their PE kit. The school PE kit is a plain white T- shirt and black shorts/ trousers/ leggings. Children can also wear their school jumper or cardigan.



Safeguarding Team at St Thomas'



**Designated
Safeguarding
Lead (DSL)**
Catherine
Pointon



DDSL
Nikki Thorne



DDSL
Deb Cooke

**Safeguarding
Champion
(Governor)**
David Shemilt

- IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE WELFARE OR SAFETY OF ANY CHILD, PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE SAFEGUARDING TEAM AS A MATTER OF URGENCY.
- IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE BEHAVIOUR OF AN ADULT ON SITE, PLEASE SPEAK TO THE PRINCIPAL OR THE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS, OR THE DIRECTOR OF SAFEGUARDING AND SEND

**Chair of Local
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David Shemilt



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Sarah Milne



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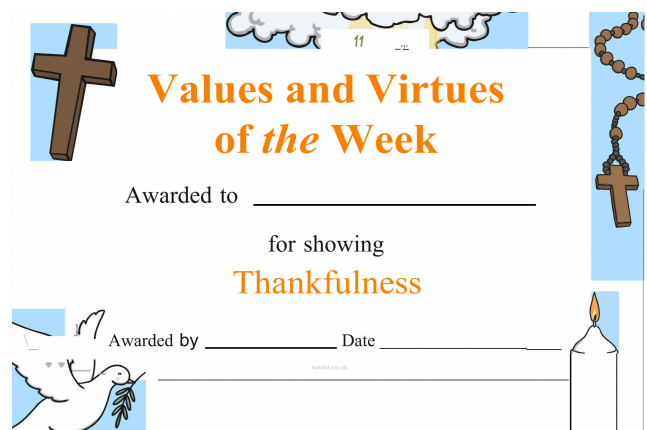
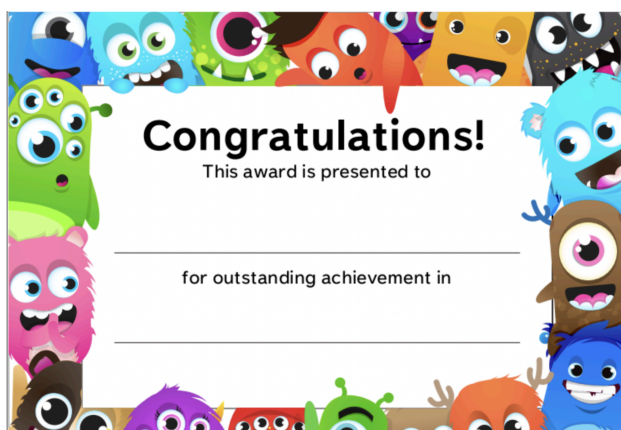
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Local governors can be contacted by speaking to a member of staff.

Awards

We are so very proud of all the children over the past week and a half they have returned to school ready to learn and listen to their teachers. Personally I have loved their polite manners, enthusiasm and willingness to help and support each other. Each class has set an individual class dojo target so when your child reaches this number of dojos then they can choose a prize from the dojo box. From next week we are also introducing our new weekly awards. Each class will choose a dojo winner from the children with the most dojo points that week together with a child who has demonstrated the school values of **Thankfulness, Fairness, Trust and Forgiveness.**



Worship Focus

This week our children have been looking at the concept of the Armour of God. (Ephesians Ch 6 v10-18) If you can take the opportunity to watch this song with your children and ask them to explain to you the meaning behind it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QKinisLFgMc>