

# St. Thomas' School News

28.05.21

## Events of the Week

### Week beginning

7.6.21

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School is closed

#### 8.6.21

School reopens

Cricket for class 4

#### 9.6.21

Cricket for class 5

#### 10.6.21

School nurse to talk to year 5 and 6 children about puberty

#### 11.6.21

Class 4 swimming

## Message from the Headteacher

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23

It is the end of another hectic half term and I can't believe that we are about to start the final 6 and half weeks of this academic year. I am hoping that we can we can move towards being a closer school family again.

I would like to wish you all a restful break over the half term and I am sure many of you will be taking advantage of the lovely weather we are expecting to have and of course this is the first opportunity that many of us will have had to take advantage of the most recent lifting of some restrictions.

## Dropping Off and Collecting Children from school

From Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, arrangements are changing for drop off and pick up.

Classes 1 and 2 will be let into school at 8.40am and classes 3, 4 and 5 at 8.50am. Class 5 are still to use the Huddersfield Road entrance. Classes 1 and 2 will leave at 3.10pm and classes 3, 4 and 5 will leave at 3.20pm. Class 5 will still leave by the Huddersfield Road entrance. Siblings arrive and leave together at the earliest time in the morning and the later time in the afternoon.

This is to give the younger children experience of being with more children at arrival and drop off times. The timings are also more in line with our normal school day, which we will hopefully be able to return to in September.

Please bear in mind the arrival time. The gate will not be open before 8.40am, so try to arrive in time, but not too early! Thank you.

### From the Office...

- Please book **dinners** for your child by midnight on Sunday
- **Music fees** are now on Wisepay for this half term and must be paid next week. If you are struggling, please contact Mrs Milne.
- There are still a handful of parents of **year 6** children who have not paid deposits for the adventure weekend at school on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June**. Please let the office know if your child will not be attending.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

Thank you to all of you who returned ballot forms. We had 74 returned forms – which is a lot more than we usually have returned. Victoria Whittaker received 47 votes and Mr Fitton received 27 votes. Therefore Victoria Whittaker is our newly elected Parent Governor.

Both candidates put forward high quality applications, it's unfortunate that there was only one post available as I am sure both candidates would have done a superb job at representing the parent voice on the Governing Board.

### Parent's Association News

A huge thank you to the team, who have worked hard to arrange a raffle, non-uniform day and 'Hug-in-a-Mug'.

These fundraising efforts have brought in £207 from the raffle and £175 from the non-uniform day. Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets and sent in donations for non-uniform day.

### Hug-In-A-Mug.

The closing date for orders is Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June – so there is still time to place your order.



### Save the Date....

(Some of these dates are subject to Covid restrictions lifting)

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – school is closed for staff training

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June- School nurse to deliver puberty information to years 5 and 6

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Class 5 Sponsored walk

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June – wear a flower in your hat day in aid of Brain Tumour Research

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – proposed new intake visit and separate meeting with parents (letters will be sent out to parents shortly)

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – proposed sports day afternoon (weather and restrictions permitting)

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Adventure weekend

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Bikeability for year 5 children (4 consecutive days)

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Ned Virtual assembly (Mind set Mission) letters will be going home about this

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Balance Bike training for reception children and year 1 children that missed in March

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Class 5 Cake Bake

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July – School Uniform Exchange

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Hollingworth Transition Day, whole school transition day and new intake visit

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July - Hollingworth Transition Day

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July – class 4, film making afternoon

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July – End of Year reports

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Sports day option 2

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July – class 5 production of 'Ali Baba'

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Class 5 trip to Blackpool

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Leaver's Service in St. Thomas' Church.

### **Coronavirus Reminders**

Children need to have PCR tests if they are displaying any symptoms. This includes the extended list of symptoms for children from Public Health. Children and their families need to self-isolate until their test results come back. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Please report any positive test results to the school as soon as possible, including over the weekends and school holidays, so that I can complete the track and trace expectations. Results should be emailed to [williams@stthomasnewhey.co.uk](mailto:williams@stthomasnewhey.co.uk) outside of school hours, including weekends and school holidays.

If a child tests positive over the school holidays, I still need to know, so that I can carry out my track and trace duties. Thank you.