



St. Thomas' C.E. Primary School

Week 32

Friday 18th May 2018:

Monday 21 st May	Football match at Crossgates Primary School 3.30pm
Tuesday 22 nd May	Class 4 visit to Manchester Art Gallery After school activities: <u>Football (years 4, 5 and 6), Mad Science</u>
Wednesday 23 rd May	Music lessons: violin, clarinet and brass Daily mile at 1.15pm Class 4 swimming lessons After school activities: Orchestra
Thursday 24 th May	#Thrive school based sessions (named children) Music lessons: guitar After school activities: <u>football (years 1, 2 and 3)</u> Football match at Newhey Community School 3.30pm
Friday 25 th May	School closes for one week – reopens Monday 4th June

★ Stars of the Week ★

Kobe Sharma, Eira Duggan, Poppy Richards, Ellie Dearden, Neve Prince and Adam Sanderson

Achievements outside of School

Molly Stewardson has been awarded at place at Chetham's School of Music from September. Well done Molly and good luck.

Our School's Got Talent Finalists

The final will be held on Friday 8th June at Milnrow Working Men's Club.

All of the children who took part did an outstanding job and they should all be very proud of themselves. The Finalist are: Harvey, Evie, Tommy and Helena; Oliver Thewlis, Tommy Reynolds, Lily Costello, Bradley Metcalfe and 'Mambergail' (Molly Stewardson, Amber Speed and Abigail Speed). Tickets are available from the school office.

Spellings and Reading

Yet again, there is an increasing amount of children not reading at home or doing their spelling practise at home. In order for children to succeed with their education at school, they must get support from home.

In today's economic climate – it is becoming more and more important for children to succeed in education – all young people must be in training or in education up until the age of 18 and all young people who fail to get at least a grade 4 at GCSE English and Maths must re-sit until they are 18 or pass the exam. This may seem like it is in the far distant future for many of you and your children – however it is in primary school that they learn the building blocks needed to be successful at high school and beyond.

Please support your child and show them that their education and future are important by reading with them and practising their spellings with them on a daily basis.

Children who do not complete their weekly spellings at home and return them to school on a Friday will miss golden time. This is part of our homework policy and can be found at the back of the homework diary.

Medical Appointments

Please bring proof of medical appointments into school so that we can mark absences as medical. Without proof, appointments may need to be recorded as unauthorised absences.

St. Thomas Whit Walk

The Churches of Newhey and Milnrow are joining together on Sunday 20th May for the Whit Walk. The walk starts at 10.00am and the meeting point is Railway Street from 9.45am. The walk will finish at the Memorial Park with a short joint service.

There will be no service at St. Thomas' C.E. Church on Sunday 20th May.

Everyone is welcome.

School Events

Please check the school calendar on the website for upcoming events.

St. Thomas' Church Events

There is an open evening being held at St. Thomas' Church to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first peal on the bells, the bell tower will be open from 5.15pm. You will be able to have a go at learn to ring the bells ahead of the centenary of Armistice Day when Church bells will ring out across the country on 11th November.

Refreshments will be available.

Strawberry Tea

The annual Strawberry tea will take place on Saturday 9th June between 2.00pm and 4.00pm. Tickets are £5.00 per adult and £2.50 per child.

Early Help

Early Help is about helping children, young people and their families to deal with any issues as early as possible, before they turn into BIG problems.

You can access information, advice and services at the right time to meet the needs of your family.

Typical issues include:

- ★ General Health
- ★ Mental and emotional health
- ★ Behavioural problems at home or/and school
- ★ Finance Problems
- ★ Problems with housing
- ★ Relationship issues – separation and divorce
- ★ Domestic violence or abuse
- ★ Drug or alcohol concerns
- ★ Problems in the community – neighbours or isolation

How can you find out what is available?

- ★ Ask your midwife, health visitor or school for help
- ★ Go online and search on the Family Services Directory at: [Rochdale.gov.uk/family help](http://Rochdale.gov.uk/family%20help)
- ★ Contact the locality team on 01706 922600 or email pennine.earlyhelplocalityteam@rochdale.gov.uk

