

St. Thomas' School News

17.09.21

Events of the Week

Week beginning

20.9.21

Friday

Year 1 Audiology Screening

Message from the Headteacher

'Love thy neighbour as yourself'

Mark 12:31

This week we have held assemblies in the hall for all of our children (not all at once though)! Amethyst class had their first experience of being in the hall for something other than lunch. Our theme for worship this

half term is **GENEROSITY**, which fits in nicely with Harvest and a charity fundraiser we are having just before half term. We will be exploring ways of being generous and what it means – from not being selfish and putting others first, to looking after the planet and giving to others.



Stars of the Week



Mya Malik, Remy Hinchliffe-Frost, Lola-Rose Lane, Jenson Dawson, Evie Whittaker, Maddie Halliday, Ernie Kaczkowski, Maisie Cox, Amelia Bollard-Wilkes, Isla Owen and Taron Gregory

Well done, everybody!

Covid Update

There is a suspected positive covid case amongst Amethyst class staff. Please be extra vigilant and have your child tested if they become unwell. Thank you.

Building Work

Extensive repairs to school are due to start during the half term holiday and will extend into the following half term. This work has to be completed before winter sets in as it affects the integrity of the building, including the roof.

The work was unable to be carried out during the summer holiday due to the allocation of funding from the Government and Diocese not coming through until later than expected.

Unfortunately, the work will result in scaffolding around three sides of the building, including the playground where the football area and 'hobbit hut' are. In addition, Sapphire class will not be able to be taught in their classroom for up to three weeks. This means that Sapphire class will need to be taught off site at another school by our staff. I am currently in the process of arranging where this will be. I am hoping for the temporary site to be local. Once the temporary site has been determined, I will then arrange transport for those that need it. There is also the possibility that Emerald class may be in a similar situation.

I understand that this may cause anxiety for you and your children, particularly as the alternative arrangements have not been finalised yet, but we will do our very best to make this temporary move as easy as possible for all concerned.

From the Office...

- Please book **dinners** for your child by midnight on Sunday
- Most parents have now been sent an email to reactivate their school spider account. However, there has been a glitch with the transfer of data and not all emails are activated. This problem is being worked on and will hopefully be resolved very soon.
- Please return nasal flu consents need to be returned on Monday 20th September at the latest, thank you.

Lost Property

We are already starting to collect lost property – mainly P.E. hoodies and school jumpers. We have been able to return some items as they are labelled with a child's name, but most are not. Please ensure that your child's name is in all items of clothing so that it can be returned to the rightful owner.

Charity Events

This year we are taking part in the Milnrow 'Pink' Hey in conjunction with Little 'Pink' Borough. We will be asking children to wear pink on Friday 22nd October. Children will also be able to purchase wrist bands for £1. All monies raised will go towards Cancer Research charities.

We will not be having a Children in Need fundraiser this year, because of the above event and a fundraiser is planned for near Christmas for Springhill Hospice.

School Council

The School Council representatives for each class are:

Ruby Class – Maddie Halliday and Freddie Newell

Opal Class – Zac Howarth and Joseph Flinders

Emerald Class – Jared Cocker-Finnell and Emelia Roberts

Sapphire Class – Lily Costello and Helena Boardman

