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Friday 28th March 2025

This week's Round up...

What an amazing week we have had. On Tuesday we held a careers fair. We had volunteers from all walks of life speaking to our children about their jobs. The children were very engaged and asked lots of insightful questions. The highlight of the afternoon though, was not the pilot, not the nurses, or even the police officers. The guest that got the most attention was Bambi the sheep! Bambi was brought in by her owner, Mrs Bullock who runs a farm and spoke to the children about farming. We ended the week with our Mother's Day afternoon tea, I don't think I have ever seen so much cake!

Collective Worship

Our theme this half term is **'From Lent to Easter'**

It was our final week looking at God's Kingdom. We spent time thinking about what was valuable to us. At first many of the children were considering different objects to be valuable, but we soon moved on to considering value within the people around us and value within the world around us and the impact we can have on the world and the people within it.

We ended each collective worship with 'Big Family of God' by Nick and Becky Drake.

Next Week's Diary...

Tuesday

Academy Conversion Day

After school Clubs: Football (KS2)

Thursday

Dodgeball Tournament

After School Clubs: Football (KS1)

Wednesday

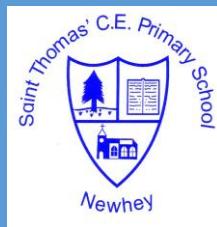
Easter Bonnets and Egg Competition

After School Clubs: Dodgeball

Friday

After School Clubs: Multiskills (KS1)

Easter service in church at 1.30pm



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Awards

Stars of the Week

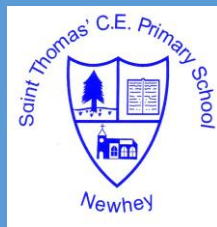
These will be published on the next newsletter.

Times Table Rock Stars

TTRS of the week

	Fastest 1st Place	Fastest 2nd Place	Fastest 3rd Place	Effort 1st place	Effort 2nd Place	Effort 3rd Place
Year 3	Brady (1.62s)	Toby (2.52s)	Hector (3.49s)	Noah	Hugo	Hector
Year 4	Brendan (0.56s)	Anthony (0.89s)	Freddie (0.93)	Frankie	Anthony	Freddie
Year 5	Scarlett H. (0.49s) Fastest in the school	Maddie (0.57s)	Oliver (0.64s)	Scarlett F.	Ethan	Scarlett H.
Year 6	Austin (0.54s)	Freddie (0.75s)	Reggie (0.81s)	Elliott	Codie	Freddie

There were no TTRS certificates gained this week.



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From the Office...

Any outstanding money to school must be paid by 30th March. We need to make sure that the finances are ready for the financial year end on 31st March and the academy conversion on the 1st April.

If you need to speak to someone about payments, please contact the school office on 01706 847093 or via email at office@stthomasnewhey.co.uk

On 1st April we will have **a new** Forward As One **bank account**. The current bank account will be closed on Monday 31st March.

Easter Competition



Wednesday 2nd April will be our **Easter Bonnet** and **Easter Egg** competition.

Children in reception, year 1 and year 2 are invited to take part by making an Easter Bonnet. Children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 can use a hard-boiled egg to create a scene or character.

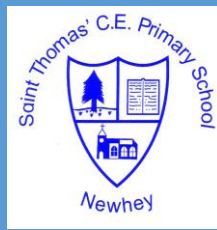
Entries will be judged on creativity and children's input.

New Caretaker needed!

We are on the hunt for a new caretaker for school. If you know anyone who is interested, please direct them to:

<https://forwardasone.face-ed.co.uk/Vacancies/Detail?campaignRef=SCH-FAOMAT-0202>

The closing date is 2.4.25.



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Attendance

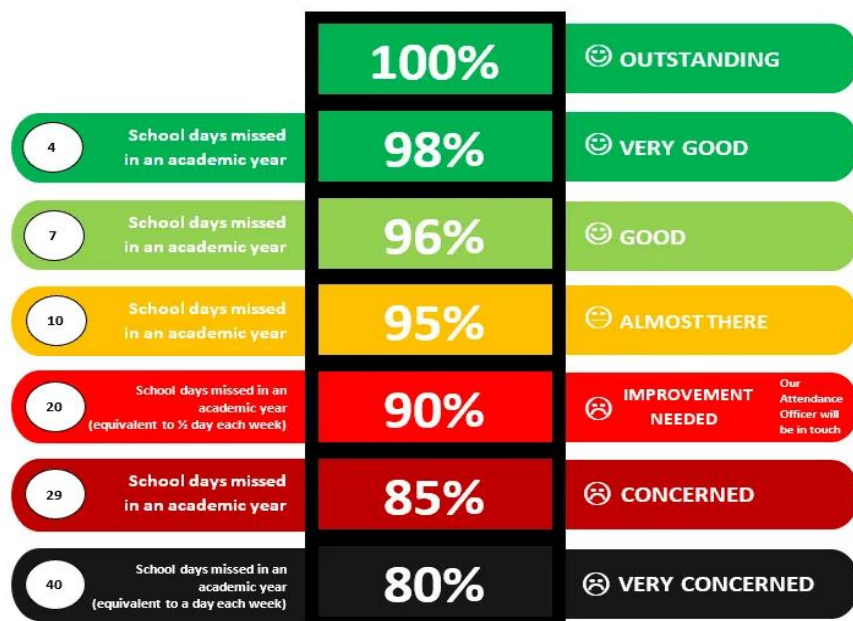
Regular attendance at school is really important. Children who miss school regularly don't make as much progress and they often struggle with friendships.

If your child is ill, you must **notify the school** as soon as possible on **the first day of absence and each day thereafter**.

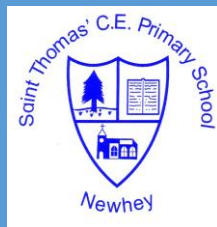
Any unreported absence will be marked as unauthorised until notification is given. We may ask for evidence of child's illness before we will authorise the absence. Home visits will take place if children are missing school and no contact has been made.

Parents of children with more than 5 days unauthorised absence in any 10-week period may be issued a fixed penalty notice. This is a fine of £80 per child per parent. The same as it is for holidays during term time.

Attendance Ladder



Please contact school if you are your children are struggling to attend school. We can help!



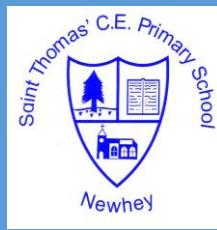
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Forward As One

On Tuesday 1st April, we will be officially part of Forward As One Multi Academy Trust. In the afternoon, the Chair of the Board of Trustees will be visiting us along with Karen Bramwell, the CEO and other Forward As One staff. There will be a very special Collective Worship to welcome us into the Forward As One family.

Diary Dates...

1.4.25	Academy Conversion Day
2.4.25	Easter Bonnets and Egg Competition
3.4.25	Dodgeball Tournament
4.4.25	Easter Service in church at 1.30pm
4.4.25	Close for Easter holidays
22.4.25	School Reopens
24.4.25	Reception eye screening
25.4.25	Swimming Gala
28.4.25	Emerald class visiting Heybrook School
29.4.25 and 30.4.25	School's Got Talent auditions
7.5.25	Water Polo competition
8.5.25	VE Day – dress in Red, white, blue or 1940s clothing
12.5.25	Year 6 SATS week
23.5.25	Semi finals Our School's Got Talent



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Easter Service

We will be holding our Easter service in St Thomas' Church from 1.30pm on Friday afternoon.

All families are welcome to join us.

After the service, children will come back to school to be dismissed. If the service finishes before the end of the school day, parents can collect their children early.

It's That Time of Year Again!

The first round of Auditions will take place on 29.4.25 and 30.4.25. The children are already busy practising for this popular event and are getting exciting about who is going to win this year! The final will take place at **Milnrow Cricket Club on Friday 6th June.**