

St. Thomas' School News

11.12.20

Events of the Week

Week beginning

14.12.2020

14.12.2020 Class 3 Party

15.12.2020 Class 4 Party

16.12.2020 Class 5 Party

17.12.2020 Christmas Dinner

18.12.2020 School closes for the holiday

Message from the Headteacher

The younger children have been busy this week recording their Christmas nativity plays. The videos are currently being edited and should be available to view by the end of next week. Thank you to everyone who took part in the Christmas scene competition. The winners will be announced on Monday. There were lots of amazing entries, it is a shame not everyone can win.

School Council



The children looked fantastic in their winter woollies and so did the staff! We have raised just short of £200 so far for Springhill Hospice. An exact amount will be released shortly.

Parent's Association

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 16th December.



The chocolate reindeer have now sold out. There are still some bags of reindeer food left. These cost £1.00. If you would like some, please send the money into school in an envelope.

Illness –Christmas Holiday arrangements

Thank you all for your continued support and understanding as we continue to deal with coronavirus.

Please report any new illnesses over the weekend to school via email to rwilliams@stthomasnewhey.co.uk

It is important that everyone understands the guidance around illness.

If a child presents with any of the main three symptoms in school, they will be sent home and asked to follow self-isolation guidance and book a test. Siblings of these children will also be sent home in accordance with guidance.

In classes where a child or staff member has shown symptoms and been sent home (or not arrived in school if symptoms develop overnight) letters will be sent to parents informing them of a suspected case. School carries on as normal, unless a positive test result is confirmed.

If a positive test result is confirmed, the school will work with the Local Authority and Public Health to determine close contacts of the positive person. It is at this point that parents will be informed and bubble closures may happen, depending on the outcomes of the track and trace process.

Close contacts are tracked over the 48 hour period before symptoms developed in the positive person.

It is important that parents work with the school to keep us informed of illness and those isolating due to household members showing symptoms.

It is all quite complex, so if you do have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the school and we will answer your questions.

Children and staff with a high temperature, a persistent cough or loss of taste/smell cannot be in school until they have a negative test result or have isolated for 10 days from the start of symptoms.

Do not send your child to school if they are displaying one of the symptoms. This could put the class and their families at risk.

If your child becomes ill and tests positive for Covid-19, before 24th December, you will still need to email rwilliams@stthomasnewhey.co.uk, so that school can continue to carry out its Track and Trace obligation.

The email box will not be checked between 25th December and 4th January. If your child needs to self-isolate when school reopens, inform school via telephone on Monday 4th January or via email to office@stthomasnewhey.co.uk

Times Table Rockstars and Numbots

The league tables are back up and running. Well done to everyone who is working hard to improve themselves.

Numbots Effort Table

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Class 1	Frankie	Charlie	Eden
Class 2	Tobias	Matilda	Ethan
Class 3	Charlie	Jenson	Sebastian
Class 4	Dylan	Poppy	Harrison
Class 5	William	Taylor	Sophia

Times Table Rockstars Speed (time is in brackets)

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Class 3	Dougi (4.55)=	Elliot (8)=	Phoebe (9.52)=
Class 4	James (1.77)+	Filip (1.83)+	Sophie(2.03)+
Class 5	Monica (0.8)+	Sebastien(1.02)+	Taylor(1.06)=

Local Schools League Table

Royton and Crompton	2.54
St. John's R.C. Primary School	2.72
Heybrook Primary	2.90
Hollingworth Academy	3.32
St. Mary's C.E. Primary School High Crompton	3.34
St. Peter's C.E. Primary	4.05
Blasckshaw Lane	4.40
Sacred Heart	4.54

St. Thomas' are in 24th place with a score of 6.66 seconds. This is a quicker time. Well done and thank you to those who are working on their studio speed.

All year 4 children will be taking part in a times table check in the summer of 2021. This part of the Government's testing and checking protocol for primary schools.

