



St Thomas More RC Primary School

'Share the light of Jesus, by learning together and loving others'

Upcoming dates

Monday 2nd September –
INSET DAY
School closed to children

Tuesday 3rd September –
INSET DAY
School closed to children

Wednesday 4th September
Children return to school

Wednesday 18th September
Open Morning for new
Reception class 2025 –
9.30am

Friday 20th September
Yr 4 trip to Our Lady of
Lourdes church

Thursday 24th October
Last day of term

Friday 25th October – INSET
DAY
School closed to children

Monday 4th November
Children return to school

Tuesday 12th November
Open Morning for new
Reception class 2025 –
9.30am

Wednesday 13th November
Parents' Evening

Head Teacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the close of another successful year, I would like to express my gratitude for your continued support. It has been a year filled with growth, learning and numerous accomplishments, as well as an OFSTED inspection! All the staff are very proud of the achievements our children have made. I want to also extend my thanks to the dedicated team of staff we have here. Their commitment to providing a stimulating learning environment has been instrumental in the children's success.

As we look forward to the upcoming school year, I encourage you to stay engaged and continue fostering a love of learning over the summer months. Encourage your children to read, explore new interests and enjoy quality family time.

Once again thank you for your dedication and partnership. Wishing you a safe, restful and blessed summer.

We look forward to welcoming you back on
Wednesday 4th September

Mrs Collins

Good luck and Goodbye

Today we say good-bye to our Year 6's, they wowed us with an amazing assembly this morning and we wish them all the best for the future and the adventures they are yet to have!

I am sure you will join me in wishing Miss Okeke, our school business manager farewell (for now!) as she goes on maternity leave to welcome her baby to the world in late summer. We are sending love and blessings to you and your family.

Yearly Attendance Figures

This week we celebrated those children with outstanding attendance. It was brilliant to have so many of our pupils recognised for 99% or above school attendance. Please see below the year's figures.

Class	% Attendance
Reception	96.8%
Year 1	94.8%
Year 2	96.1%
Year 3	95.6%
Year 4	96.3%
Year 5	95.3%
Year 6	96.9%
Whole school	96.0%

New policy comes in to place – August 2024

You should have received by now an updated copy of our attendance policy (via email) If not you can view it on our school website. It has information on what can and cannot be classed as an authorised absence and other changes. Please do have a read and contact the school office if there are any changes.

We cannot stress enough the importance of regular school attendance. EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS. Although being absent cannot always be helped as we all do become ill from time to time, taking time off during term time to go on a family holiday will not be authorised as we want the best outcomes for your child and missing what could be the equivalent of 5 days learning could widen the gap between your child and their peers.

We continue to work alongside the Royal Borough of Greenwich, we will be putting in place procedures to prevent pupils becoming Persistent Absentees (any pupil with less than 90% school attendance) by contacting parents when a child's attendance drops to 95%. If no further improvement is seen, a meeting will be arranged for you to see our school attendance officer.

Nut allergies and Birthday Treats

A polite reminder that we are **unable to give out** any birthday treats to children that contain edible items. Unfortunately, this is due to the increase of children with differing allergies and dietary requirements. If you would still like your child to bring in gifts to share with the class to celebrate their birthday, we ask for it to be non-food based such as stationery items etc. Thank you for your support in this.

Can I also remind you that if you are sending your child in with a packed lunch there should be no nut-based products in it.

Thank You PTA!

I would like to say thank you to our PTA for organising a great summer bbq, our new team worked incredibly hard to ensure everyone had a fun event. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped support our school, it really is appreciated. Read on to hear our much we raised...

This term...



We were treated to a wonderful assembly where our children were able to showcase their talents after their year of learning an instrument with our music teachers.



Year 4 had an exciting trip to Pizza Express where they got hands-on experience making their own pizzas. They also visited the local Co-op, putting their math money skills to practical use by purchasing items, calculating costs, and working out their change.



The ex-Holy Family children and Year 4 children visited Holy Family School to watch the Year 6 production, supporting their school community as it closes this academic year, and we continue to keep the school in our prayers.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Clubs will be starting week commencing the 9th September more details to follow in the new school year.

Autumn Term 1 2024

****INSET DAYS – Monday 2 & Tuesday 3 September: No attendance for children****

Term time: Wednesday 4 September to Thursday 24 October 2024

****INSET DAY – Friday 25 October: No attendance for children****

Half-term holiday: Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November 2024

Autumn Term 2 2024

Term time: Monday 4 November to Friday 20 December 2024*

Christmas and New Year holiday: Monday 23 December to Friday 3 January 2025

Spring Term 1 2025

Term time: Monday 6 January to Friday 14 February 2025

Half-term holiday: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2025

Spring Term 2 2025

Term time: Monday 24 February to Friday 4 April 2025*

Easter holiday: Monday 7 April to Monday 21 April 2025

Summer Term 1 2025

Term time: Tuesday 22 April to Friday 23 May 2025

****May Day bank holiday 5 May: school closed****

Half-term holiday: Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May 2025

Summer Term 2 2025

Term time: Monday 2 June to Friday 18 July 2025*

*****INSET DAYS – Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 July: No attendance for children****

*1.30pm end of day finish



PTA INFO

Tuesday 23rd July
2024

End of term PTA newsletter

Firstly we would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you that attended the BBQ last week.

we appreciate your donations, support and generosity which made the day a huge success!



Money Raised

An amazing £2,177.40 has been raised for our school!

Future Events

We are always looking at new ideas and ways to raise money for our school as it really does make a difference! we cant wait to share some of these new ideas with you in the new term.

What will the money go towards?

The money that we have raised will go towards Amazon fire tablets to help support reading for our fluency programme!

Thank you to everyone for your continued support we hope you have a lovely Summer holiday!

A special thank you!

We want to say a special thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to help set up for the BBQ, run the stalls and tidy up afterwards, without their help none of it would have been possible!

Also to the teachers, TA's, administration staff, School cook and the school care taker for helping to make the evening a success.

