Newsletter

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Golden Children

Nursery: Skyla K and Laiba A
Reception: Muhammad Javid S and Muhammad Owais K
Year 1: Hareem M and Nwah N
Year 2: Ismail M and Abdul Gafoor B
Year 3: Zareenah P and Ubayd M
Year 4: Hadeed S and Muhammad Yusuf K
Year 5: Areebah A and Juwairriyah M
Year 6: Aizah A and Ayza Noor N

Courage

Our school value for this half term is 'Courage'. Our quote for this half term is:

'Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.' Isaiah 40:31-32.

It would really help if you could follow this up with your children at home and talk to them about what courage means.

St Thomas'

St Thomas''Privacy Notice' (How we use pupil information) is now available to view **HERE** in the 'Parents' section.

Sports Star

Well done to Ansa A in 5VKD class.

Attendance Award

Well done to 4SP class.

Time Beaters Award

This weeks' time beaters award goes to 1AH class.

Winning Planet Team

The winning team this week is Mars.

Appointments

If your child is attending a routine appointment, please arrange it for a time out of the school day or as near to the end of the day as possible as it has a major impact on your child's learning. If they are to have a medical appointment then the office staff and class teacher must be made aware prior to the appointment.

Diary Dates

29.01.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group
05.02.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group
07.02.2025 - World Cancer Day
11.02.2025 - Internet Safety Day
11.02.2025 - Inter school Boccia Competition
12.02.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group
14.02.2025 - School closes for Half Term (3.15pm)
24.02.2025 - School opens
26.02.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group

Maths Workshops

Thank you to all of the parents who joined us for the Maths workshops over the past two weeks in school. The sessions were extremely informative, exploring the four main mathematical operations that are taught in each year group. It was wonderful to share this aspect of the curriculum with parents and provide an opportunity to work alongside your children whilst completing mathematical problems. We have had amazing feedback from parents who thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and shared how useful they were in order to further support children at home. We would also like to thank our maths team Mrs Myhill, Mr Usman and Mr Barker for organising the sessions.



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Attendance

Please see the table below for school's attendance figures.

RDB	95.00%
RAMc	94.30%
1AH	94.00%
1SM	93.30%
2SWd	98.60%
2LB	84.50%
3MB	94.00%
3LD	95.00%
4SW	89.70%
4SP	99.00%
5VKD	95.00%
5KM/JB	94.70%
6DR/JM	95.30%
6HU	95.70%

Unity Team

The Unity Team went to William Hopwood Court to help spread a little joy and happiness while also taking time to learn about this vitally important service in our local community. We had a great time speaking with the lovely nurses and staff there, learning about the purpose of William Hopwood Court, the people who attend, and about the different equipment used to support and facilitate a wide range of needs.

We also found time to play a few games and enjoy a little chocolatey snack with the residents! As always, the children were fantastic ambassadors for the school and enjoyed the experience.



Poisson d'avril

Salut! This year, In Spring 2 term, we will be holding our annual poison d'avril competition in school!

This is the French April Fish competition! In France, 'April Fool's Day' is known as Poisson d'avril. On April 1st, people use a paper fish to play an April fools trick. This involves sticking a paper fish onto the back of as many adults as you can and then running away shouting "Poisson d'avril!"

Children are invited to design a fish of their own, with a friend, grown up or with siblings. We even encourage parent, staff and governor entries too! All entries are to be in school by Friday, 28th March. Winners will be announced on April 1st. Please send all entries to your child's class teacher.

Parent and Toddlers

Following on from the success of the St Thomas' Parents and Toddlers group, we will be continuing to run this term! The sessions offer numerous benefits from fostering socialisation for both parents and toddlers, promoting early learning through play, and creating a supportive community. They will take place each Wednesday from 10.00 am until 11.30 am.

If you have a toddler, come along and join in the fun!
The cost of the sessions is £1.50 each session. We hope to see you there!

Half Term Football Camp

The February Half Term Soccer School is now live for you to book your child's place for the February half term. The football camp offers a fun filled week. Your child will build fundamental football skills whilst playing games. To book our place visit **www.prosportcoaching.co.uk/active-camps**

