Newsletter

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Golden Children

Nursery: Amal F and Ruwayda R
Reception: Zakariya A and Zakariyya A
Year 1: Khadija R and Dima K
Year 2: Marowah I and Alaya M
Year 3: Sofia K and Amara F
Year 4: Mihrimah A and Amana C
Year 5: Aisha P and Ayesha T
Year 6: Bilal I and Ahmad Raza I

Forgiveness

Our school value for this half term is 'Forgiveness'. Our quote for this half term is ***"It takes a strong person to say sorry, and an even stronger person to forgive."*** (Anon) It would really help if you could follow this up with your children at home and talk to them about what forgiveness means.

St Thomas'

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

Attendance Award

Well done to 2LB class.

Time Beaters Award

This weeks' time beaters award goes to 4SP class.

Winning Planet Team

The winning team this week is Jupiter.

Sports Star

Well done to
Aaliyah P in 5VKD class.

Diary Dates

25.03.2025 - Year 4 Mr Wallace's Class Celebration Assembly at 9.00 am
25.03.2025 - Year 1 Mrs Harrison's Class Celebration Assembly at 2.45 pm
26.03.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group
27.03.2025 - Inter school Poetry Competition
02.04.2025 - Parent and Toddler Group
03.04.2025 - Parent's Evening
04.04.2025 - Eid Party
04.04.2025 - School closes for Easter at 2pm
22.04.2025 - School opens for the Summer Term

Blackburn Rovers at Ewood Park

St Thomas children and staff went to a special Ewood Express football match and Iftar event at Blackburn Rovers. The children enjoyed an exciting game of football with front row seats! The children waved Blackburn Rovers flags and met the mascot before the game. Even though the result didn't go our way, the children thoroughly enjoyed joining in the chants and cheering on the team. After the game the children went into one of the private suites, there they listened to various speakers who talked about the month of Ramadan and what it means to Muslims. Over 500 people from various backgrounds broke the fast together and enjoyed sharing a meal with friends. All involved had an incredible time thanks to the Ewood Express team at Rovers, they made the event possible for children in the local area. Thank you to all of the St Thomas' staff for giving up their time too.



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Attendance

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

RDB	90.7%
RAMc	91.3%
1AH	96%
1SM	94.7%
2SW	90%
2LB	97.5%
3MB	98.3%
3LD	95.3%
4SW	97.%
4SP	95.7%
5VKD	97.3%
5KM/JB	95.7%
6DR/JM	96%
6HU	93%

Parents' Evening Thursday 3rd April 2025

Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.
We would like you to attend our Parents' Evening on **Thursday 3rd April 2025**. This is an important evening and provides you with an opportunity to discuss your children's work and progress with their class teacher.

To book an appointment visit:
blackburnstthomascofe.parentseveningsystem.co.uk.

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Nursery Parents' Evening

Nursery Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd April 2025.

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Year 2 Dodgeball

The year 2 Dodgeball team went to Audley Infant School to compete in a dodgeball competition against other local schools. The children impressed everyone with some amazing throws, catches and dodges and came away with a bronze model for their efforts. The children were great role models for the school with their sportsmanship, skills, and all-round behaviour.

Ramadan Appeal

This year, Blackburn Food bank are holding a Ramadan appeal in order to make a real difference to the lives of families in Blackburn with Darwen. This half term we will be collecting for the Foodbank's Ramadan appeal. Donations can be one item per family. Every donation will help ensure that no family in our community goes hungry during Ramadan and beyond. Please send all donations to your child's class by Monday 31st March so we can prepare for delivery. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Tesco Community Food Grant

St Thomas' school, would like to say huge thank you to Tesco, who supported us in purchasing a range of cooking ingredients for our food technology projects in years two and four. The children developed essential cooking skills linked to food hygiene, food preparation and cooking. The children really enjoyed sampling their end products.





Poisson d'avril

We have had some fabulous entries for the competition so far, make sure you send your artwork into school, there is only one week left! Below is some information about the competition.

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.

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.