Newsletter

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Golden Children

Nursery: Zakaria A and Uswa J
Reception: Zakariya A and Zaviyar H
Year 1: Inaaya T and Azaan Q
Year 2: Rehan P and Isaa T
Year 3: Laiba C and Aliza K
Year 4: Mohammad M and Duaa T
Year 5: Zara F and all children in 5KM/FM
Year 6: Aisha A and Tayyab T

Respect

Our school value for this half term is 'Respect'. Our quote for this half term is "Respect people's feelings. Even if it doesn't mean anything to you, it could mean everything to them." J. Johnson. It would really help if you could follow this up with your children at home and talk to them about what respect 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.

Sports Star

Well done to Ayaan R in 4SP class.

Football Match

St Thomas' hosted an exciting football tournament for local schools bringing together teams for an afternoon of friendly competition and sportsmanship. It was wonderful to see so many students enjoying the afternoon, making new friends, and showcasing their football skills. Well done to everyone who participated! Thank you to Mr Davies and Mr Alli for their incredible effort in organising this event and making it such a success. A huge thank you to Mr Patel from Audley News for sponsoring the event.



Diary Dates

16.06.2025 – Pools to School
16.06.2025 – Eid Dinner and Parties
17.06.2025 – Reception Trip
18.06.2025 – Year 1 Trip
18.06.2025 – Parent and Toddler Group
26.06.2025 – Year 4 Trip
30.06.2025 – St Thomas' Sports Week
02.07.2025 – Parent and Toddler Group
08.07.2025 – Year 2 Trip
11.07.2025 – Reports out to Parents
15.07.2025 – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
18.07.2025 – School closes at 2pm

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

A huge well done to all the children who sat the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check this week in school. We are all so proud of all the hard work and effort of every child.

Attendance Award

Well done to 1SM class.

Time Beaters Award

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

Winning Planet Team

The winning team this week is Saturn.



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Attendance

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

R2DB	77.3%
R1SG	75.2%
C1AH	77.3%
C1SM	78.0%
C2SWd	77.3%
C2LB	77.6%
C3MB	76.7%
C3LD	76.3%
C4SW	74.4%
C4SP	77.3%
C5VKD	77.0%
C5FM/JB	73.7%
C6HU	76.7%
C6JM	75.0%

Community Watch and Safety

We have recently been informed of several incidents in the area involving car break ins and cars being stolen. Please park with caution when parking along Newton Street, St Clements Street (towards the infant area) including the surrounding side streets.

To help reduce the risk we advise:

- Do not leave any valuable items visible inside your vehicle and on show.
- Always double check that your vehicle is securely locked, including windows and sunroofs.
- Report any suspicious behaviour to:

Crimestoppers (anonymous) https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

For Police non urgent 111

https://doitonline.lancashire.police.uk/PEDisclaimer/Create

Increased vigilance and proactive safety measures can make a significant difference. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support in keeping our community safe.

New to Nursery and Reception Induction Evening

The Nursery and Reception team will be holding their annual 'Induction Evening' on Wednesday 25th June. This important evening is essential for all parents to attend as it will share lots of vital information about your child starting Nursery and school in September. We look forward to seeing all our parents for at event.

Pools to Schools

Pools to School continues next week for our children. Please make sure that your child has all of the relevant items that are needed to participate in this experience. The children have been very excited for their turn and each child has demonstrated high levels of confidence, determination and perseverance when mastering the skills of swimming. In amidst of the excitement of swimming, we at St Thomas' recognise swimming as a life skill.

Sports Week

Our annual Sports Day will take place the week beginning 30th June 2025. Please note that this date is very much dependent on the weather. The week will be organised as follows:

Date:	*Class:*
Monday 30th June	Years 5 and 6
Tuesday 1st July	Years 3 and 4
Wednesday 2nd July	Year 1 and Year 2
Thursday 3rd July	Nursery and Reception

We are asking the children to come in for the day in their sports clothes and to wear an item of clothing linked to their planet colour:

Mars – Red
Venus – Blue
Saturn – Yellow
Jupiter – Green

Parents and carers are invited to watch on your child's allocated day from 2.15pm. Please use the back of school opposite Lidl to enter and stand behind the barrier on the school field. We look forward to welcoming you to our sport day.

Recycling

Do you know…

Plastic takes a long time to break down:
Some plastic can take up to 500 years to decompose. We must recycle all of our plastic bottles and containers, thus making them into new objects rather than going into landfill sites for many, many years to come.

Make a pledge …

Select one thing to do from the list below, to make a change. If we all play our part, we really will make a difference!

- Walk to school for a week
- Reduce air pollution
- Recycle all of your paper rubbish
- Stop the cutting down of trees to make paper
- Drop off unwanted clothing to a charity shop
- Stop clothing from going into a landfill site – it will not decompose!
- Take your rubbish home and put it in the right bin to be recycled
- Don't litter – protect creatures from being hurt or trapped in litter.