



St Thomas More's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

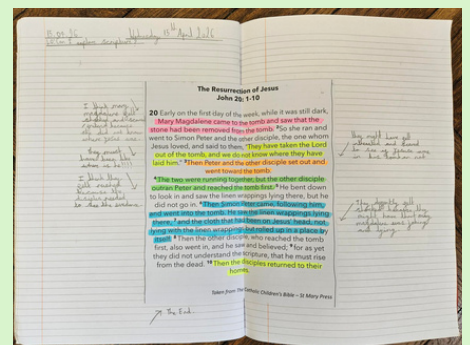
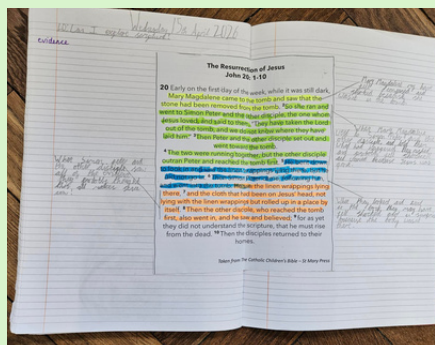
I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed whatever you got up to! It is lovely to see the children back in school and happy to see their friends and teachers. Hopefully it will warm up a bit more soon, although it is nice to see some sunshine now and then.

Catholic life of the school - CAFOD / ECO Club

CAFOD club met on Wednesday and discussed the Catholic Social Teaching principles which they will share with the rest of the school in an assembly soon.

Religious Education

Y4 is learning about the resurrection with a focus on Peter's account. Have a look at some of their lovely work ...



Parents' Evening Appointments

We look forward to seeing you on the 28th and 30th of April for a consultation. Appointments are now live on Parentmail for you to book a slot for each teacher.



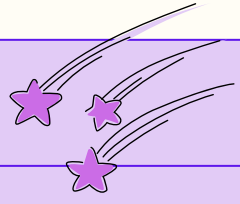
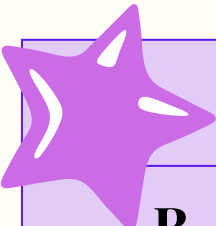
House Points

Lincoln	127
York	119
Bath	109
Colchester	105

Important Dates

April 22nd- Y4 Swimming Lessons begin (10 weeks)
April 28th- Parent's Evening session 1 (4 - 6.30pm)
April 30th- Parent's Evening session 2 (4 - 6.30pm)
May 4th- Bank Holiday Monday. School closed
May 11th to 14th - SATS Week
May 15th- Sponsored Walk (1.30pm)
May 22nd- Finish for Half Term

Our Stars of the Week are:



R	Roksi	John
1	Laura	Caleb
2	Callum	Emily
3	Joel	Adele
4	Luciana	William
5	Isabel	Niamh
6	Noah	Tobiah

STM Football Team

Our first away game of the new half term took place last night at Lexden Primary school. Unfortunately we lost 4 - 0. Mr Livesley told us: "I am proud of the team, they matched the quality of the Lexden team for large periods of the game, they just couldn't finish their chances. Lexden have won every game this season so we knew what we were up against. The team showed elements of greatness last night and kept their heads up despite the score".



Our netball team play on Monday, away to St Michael's.

The School Council Art Competition – ‘Our Faith through Art’

We would like you to create a piece of artwork based on your favourite Bible story. You can use any materials you like, such as paint, pens, pencils, collage etc. Your artwork should be no bigger than A3 size.

Your Class representative will collect all artwork. Please make sure your full name is on the back. (Year 5/6 members will collect entries from Reception and Year 1).

After the closing date, all the entries will be displayed in our School Council Art Exhibition. For a small entry fee, everyone will have the chance to view the artwork and vote for their favourite!

There will be prizes:



1st place – £15 Amazon voucher

2nd place – £10 Amazon voucher

3rd place – £10 Amazon voucher



If you have any questions, please speak to your class representative or Mrs Pembroke.

The closing date for entries is 23rd April. We can't wait to see your amazing creations!

Sponsored Walk

Our ever popular sponsored walk is coming up soon on May 15th. Forms will be sent home 2 weeks before. Last year STM fundraisers donated the proceeds towards an air con unit. With these funds and that of a very generous grandfather in the school, we are putting a much needed unit into Year 5 this month. This year's proceeds will go towards another set of Ipads. Thank you for your continued support.

Baby News

Congratulations to Elize in Reception on the birth of her new baby brother.

Mum and dad are coping well!



Have lovely weekend

Bridget Harris

As we walk together with Jesus,
we love, live and learn.