



ST THOMAS MORE'S NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parent,

I am with our lovely Y6 pupils on the PGL Residential at sunny Bawdsey Manor. We have enjoyed a fun week with the children who have been truly amazing. They have climbed, abseiled, learnt lots of new skills and conquered fears. What a great group!



Our Stars of the Week are:

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| Beraiah Ireroa | Ella Victor |
| Grace Goodwin | Freddie Wake |
| Eva Subin | Hugo Sykes |
| Jacob Goodwin | Alejandro Audiche |
| Lola Wintrip | Chris Urik |
| Nathan Wampamba | Mabel Courtney |

House points

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| Colchester | 372 | Lincoln | 351 |
| York | 339 | Bath | 314 |

Year 2 Assembly

We were treated to a beautiful assembly on Thursday where the children told us about the Fruits of the Spirit.

Thank you to all of the parents who came, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Y6 Mass

The Y6 pupils from our 7 schools in the Trust will be getting together at Our Lady Immaculate in Chelmsford next Friday for a joint Mass. It gives our Y6's an opportunity to meet up with children in the same situation as they focus together on moving up to secondary school.

Children will need a packed lunch and water bottle, they should wear their normal school uniform with trainers. Please keep an eye on the weather and provide sun cream, a hat or raincoat as needed. Thank you.

Important Dates

July 4th - Year 6 Mass at OLI
July 7th - Changeover Day
July 8th - Choir Performance 4pm
July 11th - End of Year Summer Party (5 - 8pm)
July 15th - Year 6 Play 6pm
July 17th - Leavers Mass 11am
July 18th - End of Term (3.15pm)

Chicken Pox

We have a few children out with Chicken Pox and Shingles at the moment. The health advice we follow states that "children should return to school no earlier than 5 days after the onset of the rash, or when all of the lesions are crusted over". Thank you for keeping your children at home this week, it will help to stop the spread around the school and vulnerable staff taking it home too.



Y4 trip to Jimmy's Farm

Year 4 enjoyed a fun filled day at Jimmy's Farm on Tuesday. Noel John-Sas and Olivia Malicki came to tell us all about it: "We saw so many animals-Meerkats, butterflies, 4 polar bears, wolves, camels and pigs. We got to feed the goats and pet a snake. We were sad that we didn't see the capybaras though. We learned all about habitats and had a really good day."

Olivia said that her favourite part was when she said hello to a parrot and it said hello back! Noel really enjoyed watching the trains go past.

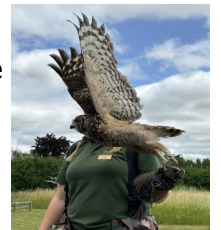


Year 1 trip to the Suffolk Owl Sanctuary

Year one had beautiful weather on Wednesday and spent a great day with the Owls. Orla, Grace and Freya excitedly gave us this report: "We saw owls, a vulture, a golden eagle, a barn owl and meerkats! We looked at owl pellets and learned that owls eat digest bones or fur of animals that they eat so they make a pellet and bring it back up out of their beaks."

Freya and Orla had a great time in the sandpit and Grace loved seeing the armadillos!

It sounds like everyone had a great day.



Year 5 at Essex University

Just a reminder for Year 5 parents to take your child to Essex University on Monday, meeting in Car Park A (CO4 3FA) at 9.15am. They should be collected from the university at 2.30pm.

Children will need a packed lunch and water bottle. They should wear their normal school uniform, applying sun cream if needed before they arrive, and bring a sun hat / jacket depending on the weather.

Have a great weekend

Bridget Harris

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School Journey 2025



Thank you to Mrs Harris, Mrs Jones, Mrs Parker and Mrs Snell for taking time away from their families to make amazing memories with the Class of 2025.