



ST THOMAS MORE'S NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parent,

It seems hard to believe that next week we will be in October as it feels like five minutes ago we were just coming back from the summer holidays. The weather is definitely changing and the evenings are drawing in a little. It is time to dress a little more warmly, but saying that, the children are still managing to take their jumpers and cardigans off at break time. Sadly, they don't always put them on again and they are often not named so we can't return them. We already have a collection of jumpers from this month and will put them outside tonight and on Monday morning. Any items not collected will go into the pre-loved uniform sale taking place next Friday at 3pm.

Catholic Life of the School - CAFOD/Eco Club

Our new Director of Education for the Diocese Flavio Vettesse will be visiting the school on Tuesday to meet with the Chair of the Trust and me. I will be showing him around our lovely school to meet all the classes.



Collective Worship

Y3 led a lovely assembly on 'Imago Dei'. We were all reminded about how we are made in the image of God. Well done Y3.

Student changes

We have had four new children start since we returned to school Vaanya and Arpitha in Year 1, Michaela in Y3 and Saanvi in Y6.

We say goodbye today to Isabel and Emiline who are going to new schools. On Monday Veronica and Edidiong, will start in Y5 and Y4. I'm sure you will all help welcome them to our school.



Our Stars of the Week are:

Hazel Aby	Frank Empson
Lorenzo Gamby	Ivy Power
Holly Empson	Delilah Alho
Michaela Welsh	Milosz Juraszek
Isabel Nidhesh	Charlie Harnett
Emiline Binu	Finlay Brown
Lydia Marley	Joshua Hardy

Important dates

29th & 30th September -Y6 Bikeability Group 2

October 3rd - Pre-loved uniform sale 3pm in dinner hall

October 6th & 7th - Parents Evenings 4.00 - 6.30pm

October 9th - Deadline for Christmas artwork to be returned to school office.

October 13th - 17th Y6 Residential trip to Thorpe Woodlands

October 23rd - Harvest Festival

October 24th - finish for half term 3.15pm

Late Collection

Just a reminder as it is the start of the year. Late collection of children happens from time to time and things happen unexpectedly which cannot be helped. It is the regular late collection of children that causes disruption to the school. Teachers have clubs to run, meetings to attend and work to do. If you are late, we will remind you of the importance of being on time. If you are late again you will get a second reminder. If you are late again, a fine will be issued and a member of staff will be paid to look after your child. Again, this is not for the one-off lateness as we know this can happen, it is for the families where lateness is a pattern.

Parents' Evening

Bookings for Parent's Evenings on October 6th and 7th are now live on Parentmail.

Please book one 10 minute appointment per child by October 3rd to see your class teacher(s).



School Photographer

The school photographer came in today to take individual and family shots. We are using a new company called Imago. I am sure that with such delightful children, the pictures will be amazing.



Educational Psychology Parent Helpline

This is a new support offer for families. The helpline is here to give advice, support and signposting. It is a confidential, private and safe service for parents and carers. No referral is needed, just a pre-booked appointment. The booking is designed to provide an easier and more convenient experience.

Available on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays

- 1pm to 5pm
- 25-minute appointments bookable via MS Teams
- No more waiting – instant booking confirmation

For booking details and further information, please [click here](#) (Please note, the previous helpline system and telephone number are no longer in use).

Christmas Stationery

Artwork templates were sent home this week for your children to design their own Christmas stationery.

The artwork can be returned to the school office anytime up until **October 9th**. The courier is booked for 3.15pm, so any artwork received after this date will not be sent to School Print World for production.

You will be able to purchase your child's stationery directly through School Print World, we will let you know when it is ready to view. Your orders will be sent directly to school which we will distribute to you.

We cant wait to see your lovely Christmas designs!

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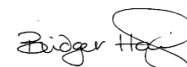
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Have a wonderful weekend



Bridget Harris