St Thomas More's Newsletter

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Dear Parent,

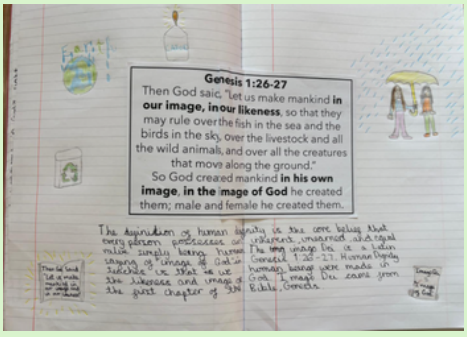
It is good to be back in school after our week away with Y6 on school residential. We are all very tired from the activities! The Y6 pupils were truly amazing & were a fabulous group to be away with. We received lots of positive feedback from the instructors, so parents, you should be very proud!

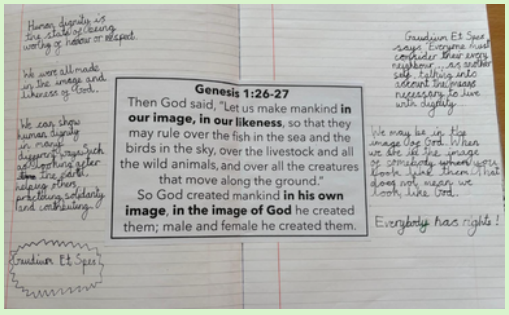
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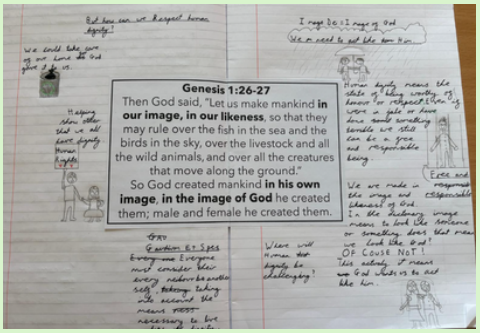
Thank you all for your very generous donations of food and money for Colchester Foodbank. We will be arranging delivery for after half term.

Religious Education

This week Year 6 has been learning about human dignity, how we are all different and must respect the rights of others and care for those in need.







Collective Worship

Thank you for joining us for the Harvest Festival. It was a joyous occasion & the children in Reception & KS1 did a fabulous job.





Our Stars of the Week are:

R	Elizabeth	Bert
1	Ralph	Rithamika
2	Lorenzo	Zuri
3	Holly	Cassie
4	Hugo S	Teddy
5	Ned	Rupert
6	Ruby Rae	Jamie





Dragon Eyes!

Year 4 have all made some amazing art this week, they have been looking at pattern and texture and applied this knowledge to sculpt clay eyes.
They learnt how to blend colours and add highlights to their work to make them even more dramatic. They all did an amazing job!





House Points

York 248

Colchester 219

Lincoln 213

Bath 208

Important Dates

October 23rd - Finish for Half Term

November 2nd - Back to school

November 5th to 10th - Book Fair

November 10th - R & Y6 Cinema Trip, Y4 & 5 Cinema Trip (Y4 Mass date to be rearranged)

November 17th - Year 3 Liturgy

November 19th - Y6 Cinema Trip

November 20th - INSET Day School closed

November 24th - Y1, 2 & 3 Cinema Trip

November 25th - Look and Share 3pm

November 26th - Look and Share 8.30am

Jack & The Beanstalk - Panto at the Mercury Theatre

Payment for our annual trip to the Mercury Theatre is now live in Arbor.

We are grateful for your continued support with our whole school events. More details will be sent out closer to the trip date.

School website

The school website will be unavailable during the half term week while we can carry out maintenance checks.



Goodbye!

We say goodbye to Hugo and Ralph who are leaving STM today. We wish them both well, we will miss them and hope they keep in touch.

Netball Trials

Mrs Duncan will be holding netball team trials for all students from Years 5 and 6 on Monday 2nd November at 3:15pm. Please bring PE Kit and a water bottle. You can collect your children at 4.15pm from the playground, parents do not need to stay for this session.



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

Have a lovely half term break, please remember that children should return to school after half term in our winter uniform.

Bridget Harris