

# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025



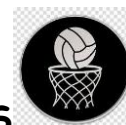
## HALF TERM BREAK

Please remember that we break up on Thursday 23rd October.

Friday 24th October is a staff INSET day so children are **not** in school. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 3rd November.



## FOOTBALL AND NETBALL NEWS

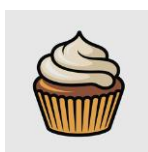


Well done to all the football and netball teams who played their first match of the season last week at Rugeley. Mr Postles and Georgie were very proud with the manner you played with.



## ATTENDANCE

A reminder that school starts promptly at 8:45am, and arriving on time helps children settle into their day, hear important updates, and begin morning tasks calmly. Regular attendance is also vital—every child should aim for at least 95% across the year. While we understand occasional illness, children with mild colds are usually fine to attend, and we'll always contact you if they become unwell. Thank you for supporting your child's wellbeing and learning.



## CAKE SALE

The musical theatre cast are organising a cake sale to raise funds to cover the cost of costumes, props and backdrops. The cake sale will be held on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November** at break and lunchtime during the day. If you could support them by donating cakes or giving your child £1 to buy some they would be really grateful.



## BLAST

Any new starters who wish to join our before and after school

club, please contact Tami on 07783942084 or [blastkidsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:blastkidsclub@yahoo.com).

Please note you can book a morning session up until 6am of the same morning. For the afternoon session, booking will close at 10pm the night before. In cases of an emergency booking, please call Tami.

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

CLASS	CATHOLIC VALUE AWARDS	GREAT WORK
Year R	Tommy Wright for looking out for his friends Brae Bowen for being a kind and caring member of the class	Hugo Keeling-Gentles for his super knowledge of 2D shapes Eloise Ball for super effort with her writing.
Year 1	Jason Calvert for sharing his thoughtful prayers in RE Jonah Hinton for always being a caring and compassionate member of the class	Matilda Greenwood for fantastic and exciting sentences when writing a diary entry in English Ronnie Peace for his brilliant addition work in maths
Year 2	Leah Bateman for being a helpful friend to those around her Jayden Vargas Sylvester for sharing his knowledge and skills with others	Hector Freeman for an amazing description of a setting Reuben Morroll for some super stitching in our DT topic.

## DINNER MENUS For Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Please note... dinner money **MUST** be paid for in advance every Monday morning on Parent Pay.

	Week 2 Menu	
Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pepperoni or cheese and tomato pizza Served with wedges.</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Tue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bonfire Night Menu</li> <li>Sparkling Hot dog</li> <li>Veggie hotdog</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roast chicken with gravy</li> <li>Quorn balls</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Thur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Tikka Masala and rice</li> <li>Neapolitan pasta</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fish Finger bap</li> <li>Quorn fingers.</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

## ALLERGIES

Do not send any nut-based products or kiwi fruit into school. Lunch boxes are checked, so if you do send these in, please be aware they will be disposed off and a note popped into your child's lunch box. Thank you for your support in this.



## BIRTHDAY PARTY LUNCH

Parents can purchase a 'Birthday Party' for their child and this will be catered for in school. You would need to give us at least a **weeks' notice** so that the food can be ordered. The minimum we do is for 10 pupils and that is £40. If you want to add extra pupils on then it would be £4.00 per extra child. This must be paid in full before the party on Parent Pay. There are three choices of menus... Hot dog, Chicken Goujons or Pizza. There is also a vegetarian option available. Decorations, party hats, balloons and a birthday cake made by our school cook are all included in the price. **Please note we cannot facilitate parties on a Thursday or Friday because of lunchtime changes.**





## FUNDRAISING FOR THE HUDDLE

A huge thank you to Cheslyn Hay Community Choir who recently held a charity afternoon tea to raise funds for the PTFA towards the development of our new Huddle room. The Huddle supports our special needs children within school. Thanks to the afternoon tea and raffle they raised a huge £1,142 towards resources to support learning in the Huddle. A special thanks goes to Mrs Cook for organising this fantastic event. We are very grateful.



## READING AT HOME

A polite reminder to all parents that reading with your child at home, is vital to ensure success in all areas of Literacy and other subjects. Please do try to support your child by reading with them at home as much as you can: and don't forget that ever important bedtime story. Do come along to our KS2 workshop to find out how you can support your child at home, particularly as they move through the school and reading becomes more challenging.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### NOVEMBER 2025

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Return to school 8.45 am
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cake sale to raise funds for Musical theatre group
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform day for sweets/chocolates (Christmas fair).
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Family mass 11.00 at St. Mary's, Cannock
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Open day for prospective EYFS pupils for next year
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform day for bottles (Christmas fair).

### December 2025

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas fair (3.30pm to 5pm)
Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup>	First Reconciliation service in school 2pm (Year 3)
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	<u>School closed: INSET day</u>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	St. Mary's Christmas fair (Parish Centre) 12.00 to 2pm



*always be*  
**HUMBLE**  
*and kind*

## Year 3 Stone Age to Iron Age Day



TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.

# BONFIRE NIGHT MENU

Sparkling Hot Dog  
or Veggie Hot Dog (v)

SERVED WITH...

Firework Potato Wedges  
Coleslaw  
Peas & Sweetcorn Medley

FOLLOWED BY...

Rocket Lollies



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