

# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## HAPPY CHRISTMAS BREAK TO YOU ALL...

All of the staff and governors would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you for all of your generosity and gifts...they are all very much appreciated.

See you on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026 at 8.45am: please note there is no after school football or netball on this first day back.

## KEYSTAGE 2 CHRISTMAS REFLECTION

What a beautiful evening in St. Mary's church on Wednesday. Our KS2 children did themselves proud. A huge well done to everyone involved, with special thanks to Mrs. Stanley and Miss Cooper who organised the whole event...a truly magical evening.

And another massive thank you for the very generous donations for New Cross hospital: A total of **£331** was collected for this worthwhile cause.



## BLAST/SPORT4KIDS

A big thank you to Tami who has run BLAST so well for the past few years. We look forward to welcoming Chris and his team as they take over in January. The after-school club will now be known as "Sport4Kids." Further contact details will be made available after the holidays, but for now, Chris can be contacted via e-mail on [Chris.lashford@sport4kids.biz](mailto:Chris.lashford@sport4kids.biz) or on 0300 303 3866

## MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP AT LANDYWOOD DAY CENTRE

On Thursday, our Musical Theatre group attended Landywood Day Centre to share some of their act with those who attended their Christmas Party. Well done to all of you for supporting our local community



**Awards for assembly Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026: All parents/carers welcome to attend.**

	CATHOLIC VALUE AWARDS	GREAT WORK
Year	This assembly will return on Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026.	
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## DINNER MENUS For Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January

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

	Week 3 menu	
<b>Mon</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pizza Party</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Coleslaw
<b>Tue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Katsu Chicken / Quorn Pasta Bake</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Beans
<b>Wed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roast Beef / Veggie Sausage &amp; Mash</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
<b>Thur</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meatballs in Tomato Sauce / Katsu Quorn Dippers</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese
<b>Fri</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fish Selection &amp; Chips / French Bread</li> </ul>	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

## WINTER

Now that the cold weather has well and truly arrived, please could you ensure children are sent to school each day with suitable outdoor wear, as they will be outside during the colder weather several times a day.

We have also spoken to the children about NOT going onto the grassed areas around the playground, as they will be muddy and wet (and it ruins the grass). We would be grateful if you could ensure they adhere to this before and after school too. Thank you.

Please could we also remind parents of the need for suitable footwear. School shoes should be flat and black, preferably with buckles or laces. Fashion or ugg boots are not permitted for everyday wear. We are aware of the children with specific needs and their adapted footwear is, of course, perfectly acceptable.

## 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.**

## 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 of and a note popped into your child's lunch box. Thank you for your support in this.

## COMMUNICATION

Please could we remind parents that Class Dojo should not be used as a primary method of communication between home and school...this should be done by contacting the school office by phone or e-mail. Staff may only check Dojo once or twice a week, so important issues should not be addressed that way.

## 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.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### January 2026

Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School opens at 8.45 for the Spring term
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Confirmation club for relevant Y6 pupils
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parent consultation meetings from 2pm (Virtual)
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00 Parents invited in to see a maths lesson in action (Rec through to Year 6)

### February 2026

Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	9.00 Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford (Y6 confirmation and Y3 candidates to attend)
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Year 4 trampolining session at Cardinal Griffin (Details after Christmas)
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7.00pm Confirmation at St. Mary's church.