

SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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MEETING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

There will be a meeting at St Mary & St Thomas More Catholic Church, Cannock at 5:15pm on Saturday 11th October. This will be followed by Mass that families are encouraged to attend. If you haven't already done so please return slips to confirm attendance. Thank you.

PARENT WORKSHOP

Mrs Stanley is running a parent workshop on 15th October at 3.15pm on Online Gaming and Mobile Phone Safety.

This is for KS2 parents and children are very welcome to attend also.

There is a lot of anxiety concerning how safe our children are as they grow up and interact more with the world online. This may include gaming, apps, YouTube and social media.

This workshop is designed to help with this anxiety, provide support and help both parents and children navigate the problems that both online gaming and using a mobile device can bring.

The parent board in the playground also has some interesting information and advice that may help.

VISITS TO SCHOOL

Our next session for parents is for KS2 parents (years 3 to 6), and this will be for you to visit a Literacy lesson on Weds 8th October from 9.00 am. Please drop your child off as normal, then come around to the school office where you will be welcomed in once the classes are ready for everyone.

ATTENDANCE

A reminder that every child should aim for at least 95% attendance across the school year. We do carefully monitor this and will be engaging with families who have persistent absence. It is vital pupils are in school every day or as much as possible. Whilst we know children get ill and germs can spread quickly, they do not need to be kept off for a light cold. We will always call if your child is poorly, so if in doubt, please send them in.



BLAST Any new starters who wish to join our before and after school club, please contact Tami on 07783942084 or 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 For Friday 10th October 2025

CLASS	CATHOLIC VALUE AWARDS	GREAT WORK
Reception	Isabella Lee for being a caring friend Cora Shields for being polite to others	Colin Boon for his super maths knowledge Grace Barlow for her fantastic answers in Literacy
Year 1	Luna Ritson for always helping others in class including her teachers Jake Gardner for showing a good understanding of the life of Jesus	Jasmine Kowalski for trying really hard in her phonics Greyson Hussey for super work on 2D shapes
Year 2	Oscar Walker for being extremely polite to everyone Zane Bloomberg for amazing knowledge of David and Goliath	Izabella McAllister for super expressive reading Maddison Trabisch for lovely handwriting
	This week's attendance Winner for 26th September is....	

DINNER MENUS For Monday 6th October

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

	Week 2 Menu	
Mon	Pepperoni or cheese and tomato Pizza	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Coleslaw
Tue	All day breakfast All day vegetarian breakfast	Jacket Potato with Beans
Wed	Roast chicken dinner with gravy Quorn balls	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans
Thur	Chicken Tikka Masala and rice Neapolitan Pizza	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Fri	Fish Finger Bap Quorn fingers	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.**



FUNDRAISERS



We are looking for some more parents to join our fabulous fundraisers here at school. We need new ideas and lots of help. If you are interested in joining us, please let Mrs. Coleman or Mrs. Hewitt know, and you can be added to our group chat. We look forward to some new ideas.

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

OCTOBER 2025

Wednesday 8 th	Year 3,4,5 & 6 - Parents in to see literacy. 9am.
Friday 10 th	Key Stage 1 Assembly.
Saturday 11 th	St. Mary's Church. F.H.C & Confirmation Children meeting at 5.15pm, Followed by Family Mass 6pm
Wednesday 15 th	Key Stage 2 Harvest Mass. 2.30pm. Well-being workshop - online safety for parents & children at 3.15pm.
Friday 17 th	Key Stage 2 Assembly.
Wednesday 22 nd	Year 3 Stone Age to Iron Age workshop, in school.
Thursday 23 rd	Year 5 Vikings workshop, in school.
Friday 24 th	INSET DAY. School Closed.
Monday 27 th	HALF TERM.

NOVEMBER 2025

Monday 3 rd	Return to school 8.45 am
Friday 7 th	Non-uniform day for sweets/chocolates (Christmas fai
Sunday 9 th	Family mass 11.00 at St. Mary's, Cannock
Friday 14 th	Open day for prospective EYFS pupils for next year
Friday 28 th	Non-uniform day for bottles (Christmas fair).



December 2025

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