

Weekly Newsletter - 14/3/25

Our children of St. Thomas of Canterbury are curious.

Dear Parents,

It certainly has been a very busy few weeks! Thank you parents for all your support with costumes and Home Learning Projects. Science Week has been really exciting with children launching their rockets to test which could fly the furthest, and then applying their knowledge to how their rockets might be improved! Children have demonstrated their curiosity by considering how their investigations on change and adaptation would apply in space! A few photos have been captured on the following slide.

The author Thomas Leeds will be back to visit again with the third and final installment of the Jayben Trilogy - Jayben and the Dragon Stone on **Thursday 19th March**. See slide to purchase his book in advance!

Best wishes,
Mrs Poulteney

We learn, achieve and love following Jesus.



Catholic Social Teaching

As a Catholic School our children are taught that God has a plan for all of us that involves every aspect of our lives, from the things we pray about, to how we live as a responsible global citizen. This can be categorised into the principles of Catholic Social teaching that we share with our children through all that we do; the curriculum, special events and through our ordinary actions in school.

During the final week of this term, the whole school, will be joining CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and walking 200 km to raise money to support our global neighbours. Please sponsor us through our JustGiving page (link below) to raise our target of £200.

[STOC's CAFOD's Big Lent Walk](#)



We always like to hear about pupil achievements outside of school. Congratulations to Rhys who won the Player of the Match trophy for his football team on Sunday.



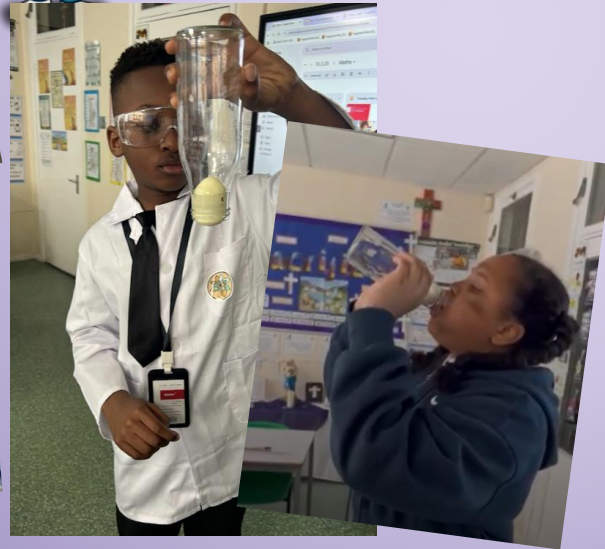
Important Dates

21.3.25 2:45pm	3E - Celebration of the Word
25.3.25 2:15pm	Easter Passion Play - Yr 3 parents
27.3.25 2:15pm	Easter Passion Play - Yr 4 parents
12-03-25 until 19- 03-25	Place orders for Mothers Day sale online via FOST
4.4.25	End of Term 1:30pm finish
22.4.25	Back to school

It's been a busy week with all our Science experiments this week. Thank you to all the parents who have take the time to help their children design and create their amazing rockets and dress up. The week started off with a Science assembly where children made butter which they later ate on some bread, followed by a range of experiments to focus their thinking about change and adaptation.



Science Week 2025





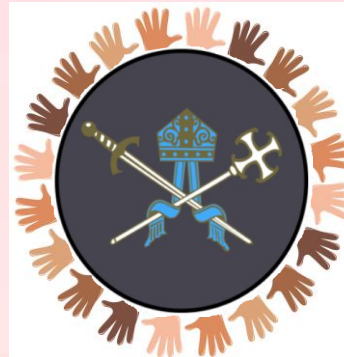
Mother's Day is fast approaching and this year FOST are doing the Mother's Day gift sale.

All orders must be placed by Wednesday 19 March 2025.

This year, orders will need to be placed online and the gift will be delivered to your child(ren) in their classrooms.

Please see the FOST website link below to place your orders, www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofstoc

FOST



Upcoming fundraising Events planned in Spring term

March - Mothers day sales Tea and coffee sales at the Easter Passion plays (Year 3 parents)
22nd March - Tea and coffee sales (Year 4 parents) at the Easter Passion plays.

If you are able to buy or bake some cakes for this sale please let the office, Mrs Foley know or email the PTA on: friendsofstoc@stthomasofcanterbury.thurrock.sch.uk

Visiting author for KS2....

Thomas Leeds



Thomas Leeds will be back to visit again with the third and final installment of the Jayben Trilogy - Jayben and the Dragon Stone on **Thursday 19th March**.

Thomas will be doing workshops with our Year 3 children and will be selling and signing copies of all 3 books at the end of the school day. Cash or cards will be accepted, or go online to pre-order your copy:

<https://www.jacqsondiego.com/thomasleedsstoc>



Book1 £7.99
Book 2 £7.99
Book 3 £8.99
All 3 £22.00

