

# Weekly Newsletter - 25/4/25

*Our children of St. Thomas of Canterbury are resilient.*

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the summer term. It has been lovely to have the children back at school. They all look well rested and eager to learn. This half term we shall focus on the next school value, being **resilient**. Part of being resilient is knowing who to rely upon and having strong relationships with those around you. Pupils are also taught how to cope with difficult situations, and to use the Zones of Regulation to support their wellbeing.

We have all been deeply saddened to hear the death of Pope Francis. As the world reacts to this sad news, we have come together as a school through prayer and Mass, to give thanks for the life of such a special leader. Pope Francis believed in the power of children and young people, calling them the '*joy and hope of the Church and the world!*' May he rest in peace.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Poulteney

*We learn, achieve and love following Jesus.*



**CAFOD - The Big Lent Walk**

Well done children! All year groups took part in CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and together we walked 200 km. What an amazing achievement. So far we have raised £300 but there is still time to donate by clicking on the link below. Remember every donation helps.

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



## Important Dates

5.5.25	May bank holiday - school closed
12.5.25	Year 6 SATS week
14.5.25	2L Celebration of the Word -Parents Welcome
19.5.25	5MD Celebration of the Word -Parents Welcome
19.5.24	EYFS & KS1 Sports Day  Year 3 Roman Workshop
21.5.25	Year 5 visit to Tower of London
22.5.24	KS2 Sports Day



**JOB VACANCY**

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**Start: ASAP**

<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Cleaner</b>
<b>Grade</b>	Band 1, Point 6 – Actual salary £6,344 p.a.
<b>Hours</b>	2 hours a day – Monday to Friday – 3:15pm to 5:15pm
<b>Job Purpose</b>	To undertake effective and efficient cleaning within the school premises. Routine duties may vary between term time and school closures

**Please contact the school office if you are interested.**



Your Aspirations, Our Priority

## ALL THINGS THURROCK SEND: MONTHLY PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

WITH ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONING  
AND PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES & EDUCATION

We invite you to join us and share your thoughts on the following topics:

- Your experiences with the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) service.
- Your insights on inclusion and offer of timely support within the school or educational setting your child / young person attends.
- Your experiences during phase transitions.
- Your experiences related to accessing the local community with your child / young person.



19 MAR, 2025 - 6PM  
28 MAR, 2025 - 10AM  
23 APR, 2025 - 6PM  
25 APR, 2025 - 10AM  
21 MAY, 2025 - 6PM  
22 MAY, 2025 - 11AM  
27 JUN, 2025 - 10AM  
04 JUL, 2025 - 10AM  
16 JUL, 2025, 6PM



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Thurrock SEND Local Offer



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TWILIGHT SESSIONS HAVE  
BEEN ADDED





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**VE DAY**

On Thursday 8th May 2025, we will be commemorating the 80th Anniversary of VE Day, The children will be invited to wear red, white and blue to memorialise all those who fought during WWII.

There is a contribution of a glass jar which the children will need to bring in to decorate in school to create a Beacon of Peace which will be turned into a display of light in the school hall.

