



SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT



**At St Thomas' we are learning to follow
Jesus, showing respect and consideration
for ourselves and others.**

**We all have the opportunity to learn and
work to the best of our ability in a safe and
loving environment.**

Welcome to Year 4!

In Year 4 your teachers will be Miss Barnett (4B),
Miss Nixon (4N) and Miss Underwood (4U).

We will be supported by Mrs Heudebourk.

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Meet the teachers



Miss Barnett

I like to go to the cinema and the theatre and I love to read.



Miss Nixon

I like to travel to different countries and explore new places.



Miss Underwood

I enjoy cooking and love to read. My favourite subject is History.

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What will we be learning?

Our curriculum is broad and balanced. This will give you an idea of what we will be covering:

English: We will be looking at *I Was a Rat* by Phillip Pullman, *Varjak Paw* by SF Said, *Jemmy Button*, *Fly, Eagle, Fly*, *Romeo & Juliet* by William Shakespeare, the Legend of Beowulf and poems by famous poets.

Maths: A big focus on the learning and application of times tables (2-12), arithmetic and dealing with fractions and decimals.

Science: States of Matter, Electricity, Sound, Habitats and Humans and Other animals.

Topic: The UK, including leisure throughout British history, Our Local Area, France, including the French Revolution, Africa and Ancient Egypt.

There will be lots of opportunities for Art, D&T, Computing and Music that link to our topics.

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In Year 4 you will be expected to:

- Always try your best.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.
- Do your homework to the best of your ability and hand it in on time.
- Read 5 times a week for at least 10 minutes.
- Wear the correct school uniform every day.

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Things you will need in Year 4:

- **P.E. kit** - shorts, t-shirt, plimsolls (not trainers), in a school P.E bag all clearly labelled with your name.
- A St Thomas' book bag - please do not bring rucksacks or large bags to school.
- An Art shirt (an old shirt of your parent's is perfect) with your name on it.



We will be providing all of the equipment you will need to use in lessons.

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Try to do these in the holidays:

- Have fun and enjoy yourself- try to get outside and do something active for as many days of the holidays as you can.
- Read a few books.
- Practise your times tables.
- Find out anything you can on our first topics- see 'What will we be learning?'.
- Bring back some holiday memories to share with us.

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For Parents and Carers....

We want to make the change of class as easy as possible for your child.

You can help them by:

- Talking to them about how they feel about a new year group, especially after such an extended time away.
- Encouraging your child's growing independence – taking more responsibility themselves.
- Ensuring that ALL their possessions, especially jumpers, cardigans, coats, plimsolls, book bags and P.E kits are named and easily identifiable. Sew in name tapes are best for clothing as names written on in pen do not last.
- Listening to them read and talking to them about their books **every** day.
- Encouraging them to practise times tables frequently to improve speed and accuracy.
- Encouraging and supporting them to do their homework by themselves and ensuring it is to the best of their ability.



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