

Weekly Newsletter - 12/7/24

Our children of St. Thomas of Canterbury are responsible.

Dear Parents,

We can't believe it is the end of our time at St Thomas'. We have thoroughly enjoyed all of the learning experiences we have had here and all of the creative things we have been able to do over the years like our KS1 Nativity, our LKS2 Easter Passion play and our UKS2 Carol Concert.

This week we had our Leavers Mass at St Thomas' Church. It was an emotional Mass where we were able to reflect on all we have achieved as a year group at St Thomas'. We have made memories for life and friends for life too.

We would like to thank all of our past teachers who have helped us in all we have achieved. We would also like to thank all of our support members of staff who have helped guide us on our journey through school.

Best wishes,
Junior and Ezra-Mae

(Head Boy and Head Girl)



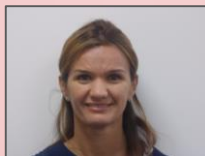
We learn, achieve and love following Jesus.



The children in the Junior Choir attended the Thurrock Music Festival this week. They performed and sang beautifully.



Year 1 went to Southend Sealife Centre. They saw a variety of sea creatures and also had the opportunity to spend some time on the beach.



We are saying farewell to the following teachers: Mrs Ignatov who has worked with us for the past 23 years, Miss Gander who is off to travel the world, Mrs Perry who has supported many children and also Mrs Paul and Mrs Lee who have been with us for a shorter amount of time but still very much valued members of staff. Mrs Sharp will also be retiring after 25 years of service as a HLTA. Thank you for their support over the years, and we wish them all the best for the future.



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Important Dates

16.7.24 5:30pm	Yr 6 Leavers Celebration
17.7.24 10:15am	Whole School Mass
19.6.24	End of Term 1:30pm finish
4.9.24	Back to School



Cultural Diversity Day

Thursday 11th July



PENALTY NOTICE

for not attending school

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

A PENALTY NOTICE IS A TYPE OF FINANCIAL PENALTY YOU MUST PAY

From 19 August 2024 you will be issued a Penalty Notice if your child has a total of 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in any period of 10 weeks.

Penalty Notices are issued to each parent, for each child.

This means if Penalty Notices were issued for 3 siblings, they would be issued to both parents – 6 Penalty Notices in total.

Legal proceedings will be taken against you if payment of a Penalty Notice is not made within 28 days.

First offence

First Penalty Notice per parent, per child, you must pay:

- **£80** if you pay within 21 days
- **£160** if you pay after 21 days but within 28 days

Second offence within 3 years

Second Penalty Notice within 3 years per parent, per child, you must pay:

- **£160** within 28 days

Any other offence within 3 years

Legal proceedings will be taken against you if:

- your child has any further unauthorised absences within 3 years

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS COULD LEAD TO A HIGHER FINANCIAL PENALTY AND WILL RESULT IN A CRIMINAL RECORD



St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2024/2025



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School Days	School holidays	Bank holidays	Weekends	INSET (staff training) school closed to pupils
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Autumn Term:	Monday 2 September 2024 – Friday 20 December 2024 <i>Half Term 28 October – 1 November</i>	75 days
Spring Term:	Monday 6 January 2025 – Friday 4 April 2025 <i>Half Term 17 February - 21 February</i>	60 days
Summer Term:	Tuesday 22 April 2025 – Tuesday 22 July 2025 <i>Half Term 26 May – 30 May, and May Bank Holiday - 5 May</i>	60 days
		195 days