



# Newsletter

## 20/3/26

Dear Parents/Carers,  
 As we approach the end of the spring term, we celebrate the hard work and achievements of our students. A big thank you to Years 3 and 4 who presented the Easter Story. Your singing and spoken words reminded us all of the importance of Lent, and we now look forward to the Easter celebrations. With one more week to go, your continued support at home, encouraging reading, homework, and positive routines, remains invaluable. After the holidays, children may wear either their summer or winter uniform. Let's finish the term strongly and return ready to continue learning and growing together.

Best wishes.

**Mrs Poulteney**  
**Headteacher**



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



The **Junior Choir** performed and sang beautifully for the residents of the Coach House.



Our Reception children have been learning about life cycles and were delighted by their **Minibeast Visit** last Friday. They got to hold millipedes, stick-Insects, cockroaches and learn and see about tarantulas and scorpions.



Year 1 had a wonderful sunny day at **Colchester Zoo** seeing so many animals and joining in an Art workshop. The children had a great day out.



### Imperial War Museum

Year 6 children enjoyed a brilliant day in the sun at the Imperial War Museum to support the learning about WWII. We learnt lots of information and were impeccable behaved.



# Diary Dates

23.03.26 - 26.03.26	Year 6 Mock SATs
23.03.26	Football Play Off Final at The Gateway
23.03.26	Netball Match, away at Benyon Primary
27.03.26	Last Day of Term, <b>School Finishes at 1.30pm</b>
13.04.26	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>
17.04.26	EYFS Library visit

### \*Absences\*

If your child is absent, please remember to email [attendance@stthomasofcanterbury.thurrock.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@stthomasofcanterbury.thurrock.sch.uk) by 8.40am with your child's name, class and reason for absence.



# Science Week 2026





# Our Catholic School

*During this term, the children have made their Lenten promises and have been encouraged to give, act and pray during this liturgical season.*

*Also, the children are taking home the Easter Mystery Bag, to encourage the children to pray with their family and think about the Easter story.*

*The second half of the Spring term began with a time for reflection and reconciliation. This was led Year 5 and Years 4, 5 and 6 attended.*

*On Wednesday 25th March, at 10am, Year 3 will lead the end of term Mass for the Feast of the Annunciation. All parents and parishioners are welcome to attend.*



*What are we learning in RE?*



*All year groups are studying Branch 4, Desert to Garden. In this branch, pupils develop an understanding that Lent is a time to care for others and to reflect on Jesus' death on the cross and his resurrection. They are learning purple is the colour used within church to remind us that we are preparing for the greatest event in the church's calendar. During this term the children will be taught this through parables, encounters, miracles, and teachings. They are reflecting on the call of the disciples and the nature of being a follower of Jesus.*



*Child Led Worship*



*Thank you to the children in 6M, 6FM and 4S who have led their class Celebrations of the Word on the themes of 'Candlemas', 'Mental Health week' and 'St David's Day'.*



*We learn, achieve and love following Jesus.*



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**HOLIDAY**

**HAMMERS**

Ages 5 - 14 years old



9am - 3pm

30th March - 1st April

8th April - 10th April

Bobby Moore Primary



9am - 3pm

31st March - 2nd April

7th April - 10th April

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1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL - 1PM & 3:30PM

2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL - 2PM



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11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 2:30PM