

**St Thomas CE (VC)
Primary School
Newsletter**



Diary Dates:

- Friday 8th November – Whacky hair day (chocolate donation for Christmas fayre)
 - Friday 8th November Maths Workshop 2:30-3:10
 - Friday 29th November – Xmas Fayre
 - Pantomime in school – 3rd December
 - Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th December - Collection for school at Asda
- **Year 6 SATS Monday 12th -Thursday 15th May**

**Head
Teacher's
Message**



As we reach the end of a busy half term, it was wonderful to have had a fantastic final day with our *Belong* celebration. Pupils came together in vibrant displays, proudly wearing clothes that represented various groups, teams, and communities they belong to, showcasing the wonderful diversity that makes our school so unique. It was a joyful reminder of our shared values and the strength found in our differences. We wish all our students and families a happy, restful October break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back with renewed energy next term!

**Collective
Worship**

On Monday we talked about Diwali and its importance in the Hindu and Sikh faiths. We wish all our families who celebrate a Happy Diwali for Thursday of half term week.

This week we also worked with St Thomas Church to understand more about Christianity and learned about the uniqueness of Jesus.



**FRIENDS
OF
ST
THOMAS**

Thank you for supporting our bake sale. We will let you know how much we raised as soon as possible.



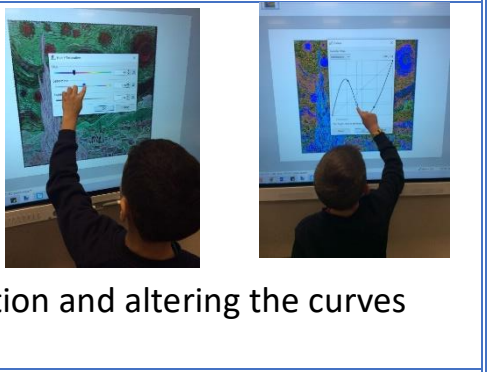


On Friday 8th November we will be having a wacky hair day in exchange for chocolate donations for the Christmas Fayre. The wackier the better!

We are also now collecting donations for our Christmas raffles and would be grateful for good quality (as new) toys and gifts, and bottles of any kind (toiletries, sauces, alcohol, non-alcohol) for our bottle stall. Bring them along to school.

Reception



Reception have enjoyed making carrot and parsnip soup. We followed a set of instructions and cut the vegetables ourselves. We then had a taste and loved it!

Year 1	<p>In geography Year 1 have been learning about our world. This week we have learnt that there are 5 oceans on Earth. Some of us completed jigsaws to help us remember where they are on a world map.</p>	
Year 2		<p>As part of our RE unit we have been thinking about who we are thankful for. The children were very thoughtful when thinking about who they were thankful for and why.</p>
Year 3	<p>In Year 3 this week we have been continuing with our computing unit of connecting computers. We have been learning about using programs along with inputs and outputs on a digital device. Here you can see us digitally altering a piece of Vincent Van Gogh artwork by adjusting the saturation, hue, saturation and altering the curves using paint.net.</p>	
Year 4		<p>We have been learning about the countries of North and South America, the children were given a country and had to produce a poster with key facts about that country.</p>
Year 5	<p>Year 5 enjoyed 'Ancient Chinese Day' on Tuesday, during which we carried out many activities linked to our main project 'Dynamic Dynasties'. In the morning, we made our own terracotta warriors, including photos of our very own warrior faces and oracle bones, which contained questions for the gods, made out of clay. In the afternoon, we made Chinese fans using intricate designs and patterns and then we carried out some wonderful food tasting, trying soy and chilli sauce, fortune cookies, prawn crackers, noodles and vegetable spring rolls.</p>	
Year 6	<p>Year 6 would like to thank all their families for supporting them with so much seesaw and practical homework. The contributions have been excellent and have shown pupils going above and beyond demonstrating independent learning and exploring. (psst there is some more online for half term week!)</p>	

DOJO
WINNERS



Dojos winners had a great time at our
Movie Morning

Maths parent workshop

Friday 8th November at 2:30—3:10pm, Mrs Washington and Mrs Appleton will be giving fun ideas and tips on how to help your child at home with maths.



Teas and coffees will be available.

The food bank will be open for parents during this time.



Attendance

Each day in school builds valuable skills, knowledge, and connections that help students thrive academically and socially. Consistent attendance strengthens routines, boosts learning, and supports a positive school experience. Let's work together to make every school day count!

Attendance Matters

