

Newsletter – Issue 14 13th December 2016

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Important Dates and What's Happening

Wednesday 14th December Christmas Party Lunch and Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 15th December 9.30am Mass in school

Thursday 15th December Christmas Dinner from Dolce

Friday 16th December 9.15am Y3 Advent Liturgy

Friday 16th December - 1.45pm Christingle

Christmas Holiday Break
Monday 19th December – Tuesday 3rd
January
Return to school on Wednesday 4th January

Thursday 5th January 2017 9.30am Mass in school

Monday 9th January - 2.30pm F2 writing workshop

Thursday 12th January - Y6 Crucial Crew

Thursday 19th January - Parents Evening

Friday 20th January - Y6 class photo

Wednesday 1st February - 5.30pm Parent online safety workshop in school

Last Week's Attendance

Class	Percentage Attendance	Lates
F2	96.8	1
Year 1	99.0	0
Year 2	100	4
Year 3	98.1	2
Year 4	97.2	3
Year 5	92.9	1
Year 6	97.7	2
School Total	97.4	13

Well Done Year 2 fantastic 100% attendance, they will receive an extra playtime for the best attendance this week!

Well done everybody!

Please can we try and improve on lates?

100% Attendance & punctuality winners Well done to our prize winners for last week. Each child chose a small prize.....

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F2	MAAME
Year 1	CARLY
Year 2	GRACE
Year 3	ERIN
Year 4	FINLEY
Year 5	EVIE
Year 6	IRAH

Jesus said: "Love one another as I have loved you."



MERIT Friday 9th December

	Grace McNally	For	Trying hard during the Christmas play and singing along. Well done.
F2	Oliver Simpson	For	Joining in with singing, actions and dances for the Christmas play. What a superstar! Well done.
	Jennifer Bragg	For	Amazing dance moves and confidence as a funky camel in our Christmas show. Well done Jennifer!
Year 1	Olivia Winfrow	For	Your enthusiasm and fantastic joining in as a floor manager in our Christmas show. You are a superstar!
Year 2	Layla Holmes	For	Her wonderful attitude to her maths, and her learning overall. Especially for some beautiful work this week in R.E. about the Annunciation. Well done, Layla!
	Yuxiang Wu	For	His tremendous effort across all his learning, especially maths. He also was so enthusiastic about the Christmas production and did fantastic, well done!
	Imogen Pawson	For	Getting Rhetorical questions, and coming up with some lovely clear examples, thank you ©
Year 3	Destiny Raynor	For	Learning part for our liturgy and showing expression when speaking. Great, keep it up ©
	Finley Cam	For	Always challenging himself and never giving up on his learning.
Year 4	Sienna Fullelove	For	A big improvement in her handwriting.
	Paige Parsons	For	Demonstrating great use of persuasive features including the use of rhetorical questions! Well Done!
Year 5	Lewis Munro-Proud	For	Demonstrating bravery and determination while learning to ice skate! Very well done!
Year 6	Cameron Willey	For	Your dedication to your singing preparation and performance for our advent liturgy. What a star!
	Kalab Dereje	For	Thinking carefully about the powers of persuasion in our Literacy. Great use of evidence to support your point.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING



OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

All the Staff and Governors of

St Thomas More Primary would like to wish all of our families
a very happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

See you all in 2017!

Back to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017.

Wednesday 14th December



Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

Please wear your Christmas Jumper to school and donate £1.00

or more to Save the Children.

Thank you for your support.



<u>Christmas Dinner</u> Thursday 15th December

Children will still be able to order in school as usual on the morning of the Christmas Dinner but payment will need to be made online.

Children who are entitled to means tested free school meals and also kS1 children who all receive universal free school meals will not be charged for this dinner.

The Options are:



Milk For January 2017

For Spring Term 1 - until week commencing 13th
February 2017.

If you would like your child to receive milk from Wednesday 4th January it will cost £5.61. Last date for ordering milk for this week will be Thursday 15th December. If you would like your child to receive milk from 9th January it will cost £5.10. Please order by Thursday 5th January 2017.

Please note milk can be ordered at any time throughout the year. The price reduces on a sliding scale. Please contact the school office for the correct price.



Christingle Service

Friday 16th December At 1:45pm

All tickets have now been allocated for this service, as you will be aware this service is always very popular, and this year we have received a large amount of requests that we have tried to accommodate. All slips received in the office by Wednesday the 7th December were sent at least 1 ticket, unfortunately we have been unable to accommodate the demand for two tickets.

Due to health and safety and also fire regulations, we only have a limited amount of space as all the children, and staff in the school attends this service.

We apologise if you have applied for tickets and on this occasion have been unsuccessful. We are now unable to give out any more tickets as we are up to our capacity. We will however, keep any ticket requests we receive on a list should any tickets be returned to us.

Last year some tickets were requested but then people didn't attend. Please note for this year, if you have a ticket and you have not arrived at school by 1.40pm and have not informed us that you will be late, your seat may be given up to someone else.

Please also note we will not have the space in the hall for any buggies or prams. However, we can store these safely for you whilst you attend the service.

Y4 Flute

We have been notified by The Sheffield Music Hub that unfortunately Rachel Ward the Y4 flute teacher is unwell and has been signed of work until after Christmas.

Sessions in school should resume as normal after the Christmas break.

Thank you for your support.



Year 6 Crucial Crew

Year Six will be visiting Crucial Crew on Thursday 12th January. We will be leaving school at 9am and will arrive back at school at 3.20pm. Crucial Crew is the opportunity to experience a range of real life scenarios. The Scenarios will be: Home Fire Safety, Arson, Bus Safety, Road Safety, Running Away, Mock Court Trial, Internet Safety, Basic First Aid, Peer Pressure / Retail Crime & Alcohol Awareness. The activities take place in a large warehouse type building, which can be quite cold. Children need to wear their school uniform, and have a warm coat and gloves. All children need to have a packed lunch and a drink.

We are asking for a £5 voluntary contribution towards the cost of the coach.



Raffle - we are having a Children's Christmas

Raffle in school!

Staff have donated the prizes.

Raffle tickets cost 10p each and are on sale now. The raffle will be drawn in school on the afternoon of Thursday 15th December.



<u>Please remember your swimming kit on</u> Wednesday 14th December.

Class four will not be swimming on Friday 16th
December as it is our last day before we break
up for Christmas, so instead will swim on
Wednesday 14th December - this session will be
2.10pm to 2.50pm so they may be a little late
back to school at the end of the day.

F2 Writing Workshop

On 9th January at 2.30pm Miss Campbell will be holding a writing workshop. This is aimed at children working in F2 and is designed to help parents to support their children with writing at home. This session will last until 3pm and there will be refreshments. Please complete the slip below if you would like to attend this session.

I would like to attend the writing workshop

Parent/Carer of

Parents Name:

F2 Trip to Totley Hall Farm

what a fantastic day!









Y2 Class all ready for our Production Lights, Camel, Action!



