



## Newsletter – Issue 21

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### Important Dates and What's Happening

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February  
Y5 Virtual Velodrome in school

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February-Y6 Big Sing

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February  
Whole School Lenten Assembly Big Fish

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm  
Pancake Day – Cook Off

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 9.15am  
Ash Wednesday Liturgy

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day  
**Assembly at 2.30pm. All parents welcome!**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March-F2 walk to Asda

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
Y5 Lenten Retreat Day

4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> April  
Y4 Residential Trip to Kingswood

12<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> June  
Y6 Residential Trip to Mount Cook

### Last Week's Attendance

Class	Percentage Attendance	Lates
F2	<b>96.1</b>	<b>2</b>
Year 1	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>
Year 2	<b>94.7</b>	<b>2</b>
Year 3	<b>99.4</b>	<b>4</b>
Year 4	<b>96.3</b>	<b>5</b>
Year 5	<b>94.5</b>	<b>1</b>
Year 6	<b>100%</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>School Total</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>16</b>

**Well Done Y1 and Y6, fantastic 100% attendance. They will both receive an extra playtime for the best attendance this week!**

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

F2	SUSANNA
Year 1	MACY
Year 2	KIRSTEN
Year 3	MADDISON
Year 4	PAULOS
Year 5	BENJAMIN
Year 6	KALAB

**February Half Term Holiday**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February.**  
**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February INSET DAY – Children not in school.**

**We have updated our parent, carer, visitor code of conduct and this can be found on our school website.**

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

At St Thomas More our Mission is to love and to be loved. We believe that Love is:

Kindness, justice, acceptance, forgiveness and friendship; it is unconditional and inclusive, allowing each one of us to learn and to grow to become the wonderful person God created us to be.



# MERIT

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

F2	Rosie	For	A brilliant poster about the internet and how we use it.
	Priscilla	For	A super explanation of how to stay safe online .
Year 1	Simon	For	Dazzling teamwork when creating your poster about how to be safe online. Well done Simon! ☺
	Joshua	For	Using your imagination to think of a nickname and other ways to be safe online. Well done Joshua!
Year 2	Zachery	For	Great understanding of how children can be emotionally effected by cyberbullying
	Dylan	For	Great understanding of how children can be emotionally effected by cyberbullying
Year 3	James	For	Clear understanding of the safe use of images both online and elsewhere. Great Knowledge.
	Millie	For	Accurate recognition of items that should not be used in a safe image to share online.
Year 4	Elinor	For	Sharing fantastic reflections on Anti-Bullying week.
	Elijah	For	Sharing fantastic reflections on Anti-Bullying week.
Year 5	Sophie	For	Demonstrating examples of how to be safe when texting, emailing and using electronic devices, including dealing with spam.
	Lily	For	Demonstrating her e-safety knowledge through a drama performance! Well done and great teamwork!
Year 6	Kalab	For	Demonstrating a thorough understanding of the dangers of sharing personal information on the internet.
	Levi	For	Your creative suggestions for our E-Safety video. You thought carefully about an important message to share.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING



Lexia Superstars



Out of school achievements

### Arriving at school.

As you all know, school opens its doors in a morning at 8.50am. We also offer a breakfast club which is open from 8am. Please can we remind families that school are only responsible for children from 8am if they come into breakfast club. If as parents/carers you choose to leave your children unsupervised before 8.50am and they come onto school premises and they are not in breakfast club, children remain your responsibility until they come into the school building from 8.50am.

In recent weeks we have had a number of injuries occurring to children who have been left unsupervised on the school yard before the start of the school day. Sometimes an adult may not be aware re - an injury/incident. It can also leave us in a difficult position as the children are not our responsibility, however if a child is injured then we will of course attend to them. Please do give careful thought regarding leaving children unsupervised before the start of the school day.

Thank you for your support in ensuring the health & safety of all members of our school community.

### 500 words



500 Words is a story writing competition for children run by Radio 2. You need to be between 5 and 13 years old on 16th June 2017 and a full time resident of the UK. To enter you need to write an original story that is no more than 500 words long. Once you've written your story, you can enter it into the competition using the entry form on the radio 2 website. Entry closes on Thursday 23 February 2017 at 19:00.

If any children would like to enter - go for it! If you do, please provide school with a copy of your story by Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and we will run our own in school competition where you could win some book vouchers.

**Get writing!**



## Flute Performance

Our Y4 children, along with 2 Y5s and a Y6 child will be doing a flute performance on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 3pm in school. They will be showcasing their flute work so far.

**Families are very welcome to join us for this performance.**



## ATTENTION F2 CLASS

On Tuesday 7th March F2 will be walking to Asda to learn about Fair Trade. We will be hunting around Asda for some different Fair Trade products, and maybe even buying some for baking back in class!

Parents please note that you do not need to sign permission for this, as this is a local walk which was signed for during home visits. If any parents are DBS checked and would like to help us on our walk and hunt around Asda then please see Miss Campbell by 17th February.



## Milk For January 2017

For Spring Term 2 - until the Easter break 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

If you would like your child to receive milk from 27<sup>th</sup> February after the half term break, it will cost £5.78 Please order by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017. This milk order takes us up to the Easter Break.

*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.*

## World Book Day Thursday 2<sup>n</sup> March

To mark World Book Day, each class has chosen an author that they will focus on for the day. Children can come to school dressed as a character from one of the books of the author that their class will be studying.



**At 2.30pm on World Book day, each class will be showcasing their work - please come and join us. There will be prizes for the best dressed characters!**

Class	Author
F2	Julia Donaldson
Y1	Eric Carle
Y2	Drew Daywalt
Y3	JK Rowling
Y4	Roald Dahl
Y5	Michael Morpurgo
Y6	David Walliams





Please check out the new and updated wishes on our wish wall in the entrance hall. All classes have added new wishes to the wall and any help that you can give us will be much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.



**Mother's Day activities at  
Parson Cross Library  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February  
2017**

**3pm until 4pm  
under eights must be  
accompanied by  
parent/carers**



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# Issabelle's Ball

Saturday 6th May 2017

Tickets £35 each including 3 course meal & welcome drink  
Live Music from Undercover · Raffle

Doors Open 7pm  
Meal served at 8pm

Order tickets by calling 07791264284,  
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