



Newsletter – Issue 5
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Testing those who are symptomatic of Covid19 is a key strategy in managing and reducing the spread of the virus.

Detailed below is the government guidance on what the symptoms are of Covid19:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

In line with DFE guidance, anyone who is symptomatic we are asking that they are tested. Please note period of isolation for the person with symptoms is 10 days from the start of symptoms, a household member would need to isolate for 14 days.

Attendance expectations

From the start of the autumn term 2020 pupil attendance is mandatory and the usual rules on attendance apply, including:

- parents' duty to ensure that their child of compulsory school age attends regularly at the school where the child is a registered pupil
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, in line with local authorities' codes of conduct

School has received guidance from the Local Authority, which states that where families will not engage with the testing process of Covid19, school will not be able to authorise the absence and as such, no schoolwork will be provided during the period of absence.

National School Breakfast Programme (NSBP)

Your next breakfast pack will be handed out to children today to take home. We would love to hear your feedback on this programme. Please send us your thoughts and some pictures to: enquiries@st-thomasmore.sheffield.sch.uk



Enjoy!

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

At St Thomas More our Mission is to love and to become the wonderful person God created us to be.

WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



CELEBRATION FRIDAY WINNERS Friday 25th September 2020

F2	N/A	For	N/A
Y1	Amayah	For	Fantastic writing in your Big Write this week – you have tried super hard and we are all proud of you! You have also done great in your RWI this week – great job!
	Scarlett		Some great maths work this week – you have been able to use equations correctly and you are getting confident with adding, which is super impressive! Keep up the good work!
Y2	Milly	For	For your outstanding PE skills at the English Institute of Sport. You have blown me away with how brilliant you are at sports and have brilliant teamwork skills. You were fabulous at dancing and looked like a real professional athlete! Well done!
	Oscar		For your brilliant reading this week during Read Write Inc! You have been very enthusiastic and have joined in with all our sounds. You have also been a fantastic reading partner and I have loved hearing you read with a louder, more confident voice.
Y3	Lewam	For	Making fantastic comparisons between London and Sheffield in our geography lessons. You thought carefully about the population of both cities. Well done!
	Masi		Your wonderfully factual letter to King Henry VIII. You used amazing language to describe what you thought of his actions. Well done, Masi!
Y4	Spencer	For	For writing an outstanding character description during his Big Write this week. Great handwriting, good use of fronted adverbials and really good use of pronouns. Well done Spencer!
	Jessie		For attempting lots of challenges in maths this week. You have been brilliant. Well done!
Y5	Lidya	For	writing a fantastic informal letter. Well done for using all of the skills that we have learned in our lessons to inform your writing. Keep it up!
	Oliver		trying your hardest during your yoga session with Miss Bennet this week, even when you found it tricky. Well done Oliver!
Y6	Abby	For	Demonstrating amazing RE work to create her own “Be-Attitudes” as well as challenging herself in her writing! Keep it up!
	Maya		Showing wonderful participating in class discussions as well as maintaining a beautiful presentation in her work! Keep it up!

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Last Weeks Attendance & Punctuality

Class	Percentage Attendance	Lates
F2	N/A	N/A
Year 1	91	1
Year 2	96.6	0
Year 3	93.2	0
Year 4	99	2
Year 5	100	0
Year 6	87.2	1
School Total	94.5	4

Wow! Well Done Y5 you will receive an extra playtime for your great attendance last week!

100% Attendance & Punctuality Winners

F2	N/A
Year 1	Nelli
Year 2	Emmie
Year 3	Eve
Year 4	Abigail
Year 5	Jennifer
Year 6	Raphael

OUTSTANDING HOMEWORK Week ending 25th September

Class	Winner
F2	N/A
Y1	Mila
Y2	Evelyn
Y3	Ava
Y4	Mia
Y5	Guedaliah
Y6	Sophie

GROWTH MINDSET AWARD WINNER!



This week's winner is Nancy in Y3

For:

Your fantastic efforts with your handwriting and presentation! You have taken pride in your work, and it is evident that you have worked hard on this. Well done, Nancy!

TRIPS AND EVENTS - 2020/21

Y4 RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO KINGSWOOD PEAK VENTURE IN PENISTONE

Wednesday 21 April 2021 to Friday 23 April 2021

CANCELLED

In line with the current guidelines which advises school's not to have overnight residential trips, based on the current situation, whilst this is disappointing for the children, we have made the decision to **cancel** the Y4 Kingswood Residential, planned for next Spring. Refunds of any payments already made will be organised as soon as possible.



School photographs will take place on **Monday 9th November**. One photographer will be visiting the school and adhering to all COVID19 safety measures. Due to the current situation, we will only be offering individual photos, no sibling photos. This is because we need to keep to the class bubbles.

An online consent form has been sent out via ParentMail today. Please complete this before Friday 6th November at 10.00am to state whether or not you would like your child to be photographed. If you don't complete the form, we will assume you do not wish for your child to have their photo taken.