



Newsletter – Issue 31
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Please help everyone by adhering to the social distancing rules and the changing Government Road Map, to keep yourselves and your family safe.

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 be tested. Please note the period of isolation for the person with symptoms is 10 days from the start of symptoms, a household member would need to isolate for 10 days. Day 1 is the day after symptoms or the day after a positive test if no symptoms.

Here is a reminder of the key protective measures we are asking you to follow. (Please do not be offended if school staff remind you regarding the below, it is about working together to help stop the spread of the virus).

- Please keep 2m apart from anyone not in your household- this helps to limit the spread of the virus. There are 2m markings throughout the school site to support this.
- Please wear a face mask/covering on school site unless you are exempt.
- Please keep your child/children with you at all times- this supports the protective bubble we have in place in school.
- Although we love to chat to our families, in order to keep lines moving, please phone/email or send a note into school with any messages, for staff.
- Only 1 parent/carer per family to come on school site at drop off/pick up times- this helps to keep the number of people on school site at any one time to a minimum.
- Once you have dropped off/picked up your child/children, please do not congregate in groups outside the school gates. We ask that families move away from the entrance/exit to avoid causing congestion, which causes problems for others entering or leaving the school site.

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

Year 6 attended a Qualitas Cross Country event on 12.05.21. We thoroughly enjoyed it! Each child ran one event either 1.8km, 1.2km or 0.6km. We competed against three other schools. Two of our children got first in their race! Super well done to all of the children!



WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

It looks like F2 were having lots of fun making play dough in their after school club!!



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Breakfast Club 2021



Drop off is between **8:00am and 8:30am** with strictly no admissions after 8:30am. The cost is **£2 per session** (a reduction due to the free breakfast provision currently available in school). Payment will need to be made in advance via ParentMail, and accounts will be charged daily after each attendance. If there are insufficient funds on your child's account, they will be allowed to attend that day, but will subsequently, not be given entry until there are sufficient funds paid to their Breakfast Club Account.

Children must be brought to the main entrance by a parent/carer - please queue up the ramp, following the 2m markings. Children will sign in at reception as normal; however, **no cash will be accepted in school.**

School Milk



If you would like your child to receive milk at school, you can pay for this on ParentMail the same way as you do Tuck shop. Milk is 95p per week. You can top up your account as much as you like and we will deduct 95p from your account every week.


Please note: Children under 5 receive free milk as well as those on income based free school meals.

Whole school homework winners for VE Day 2021 are:

Year 1 – Woody and Carlos
Year 2 - Zach and Kornelia
Year 3 – Franklyn and Kordell
Year 4 – Darcey and Gracie
Year 5 – Jennifer and Carly
Year 6 – Kaisie and Yuxiang



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	CELEBRATION FRIDAY WINNERS Friday 7th May		
F2	Kai	For	A fantastic week in school, listening really carefully in story time and answering in full sentences 😊 Well done Kai!
	Hartlyn		Working super hard in your maths learning and completing your own shape pattern. Well done Hartlyn 😊
Y1		For	
Y2	Sophie	For	Being a kind friend to other children. You are always going above and beyond to help others and put them before yourself. You are a fantastic talk partner and work so well with others in a team. You are such a role model!
	Oskar		Your incredible independent work! You should be very proud of yourself for your determination and perseverance completing your English work all on your own! This shows how well you have listened and concentrated! Well done Oskar!
Y3	Kylan	For	Your great work this week in our maths meetings. You have tried really hard and thought carefully about what strategies you have learnt to help you solve the problem. Well done, Kylan!
	Vienna		Giving thoughtful answers in our RE lesson this week about why the gifts of the Holy Spirit are special to us all. You really impressed us with your reflection on this topic. Well done, Vienna!
Y4	Spencer	For	Making big improvements in his presentation and for using some great ideas in his writing.
	Oliver		Making great progress in maths and for being confident in dividing and multiplying by 100.
Y5	Kadija	For	Always having such a positive attitude and for always trying your best with your learning. Well done Kadija!
	Amanor		All of the excellent partner work you have done this week. You show great team working skills as you communicate really with your partner and you are so kind and helpful when you support them with their learning. Well done Amanor!
Y6	Grace	For	You have earned this Merit award for: showing me such an improvement in subject knowledge and strategies, you have blown me away. Wow!!1
	Leo		You have earned this Merit award for: showing amazing subject knowledge in Science this week, you really are our very own 'David Attenborough'. Well done!!

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GROWTH MINDSET AWARD WINNER!



Last week's winner is Sophia in Year 6 for:

Persevering with Arithmetic, embedding key strategies and improving by 17 marks from Autumn 1 to Summer 1. Amazing!

Last Week's Attendance & Punctuality

Class	Percentage Attendance	Lates
F2	97.1	1
Year 1	93.9	0
Year 2	98.3	2
Year 3	96.7	1
Year 4	94.5	0
Year 5	99.1	3
Year 6	98.3	5
School Total	96.8	12

Wow! Well Done Year 5 ! You will receive an extra playtime for your great attendance last week!



100% Attendance & Punctuality Winners

F2	Elena
Year 1	
Year 2	Leylan
Year 3	Ethan
Year 4	Darcey
Year 5	Simon
Year 6	Nikola

Outstanding Homework Winner



F2	Zach B
Y1	
Y2	Philomena
Y3	Olivia P
Y4	Abigail
Y5	Shaun
Y6	Brody