

# St Thomas of Canterbury Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,  
It has been a fun and busy week. There have been some wonderful things happening that I am sure will have created some long-lasting memories for our children.

We have had some exciting sporting events with the Catholic Cup on Tuesday (more information below) and a Y2 and Y6 children sports day at the EIS on Wednesday. It was lovely to see lots of parents and grandparents in school to hear the viola performance on Tuesday and the singing on Thursday. I am sure you will agree that they were wonderful, uplifting performances.

Last night, staff and governors joined our Y6 children and their families in church to celebrate the Y6 class' time at St Thomas of Canterbury. The children had chosen the readings and hymns themselves and had written moving prayers of thanksgiving. It was a fitting way to mark the occasion. I hope you are able to enjoy the weekend. God bless.  
Mrs Clements

## Addition to uniform – Red Polo shirts

We understand how difficult it can be to keep white clothes clean, therefore we would like to give you the option to send your child in either red or white polo shirt. The red embroidered polo shirts are available to purchase from Logo Leisurewear.

## Catholic Cup

Congratulations to our girls and boys football teams who took part in the Catholic Cup this week. This was the first ever girls' competition. Both of our teams were fantastic and I am very proud to share that our girls team got through to the final and won! Well done children!



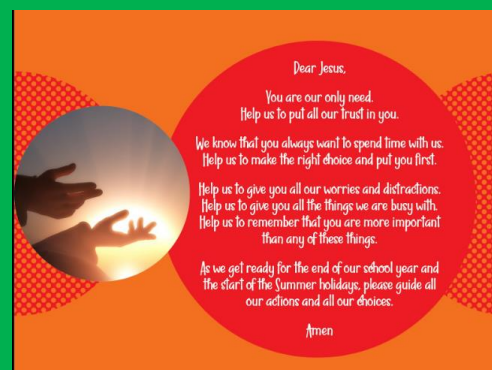
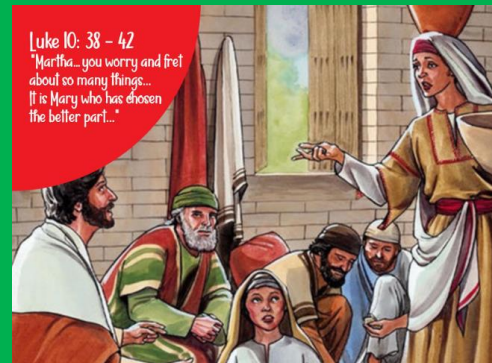
## School Dinners for September 2022

School dinners and milk are now available to book via Parentpay.

In this assembly, the next part of the Ten Ten Year of Pilgrimage, we journey to Rome. Pilgrimage Guides introduce two of the amazing heroes of our faith, St Peter and St Paul, and children will discover the importance of Rome and how the saints still guide and inspire us and the leaders of our Church today.

## Key Scripture:

“You are Peter and, on this rock, I will build my Church.” – Matthew 16: 18



Week ending  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July

## Upcoming Events and Important Dates

### Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Performance

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Break up for summer

### Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept – Pupils return to school

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> Sept – Friends' Event: Teachers vs Parents Football Match

Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Oct – Individual Photos

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – Friends' Event: School Disco

Half term 24<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> October

Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Inset Day

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Winter Warmer

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Break up for Christmas: School Finishes at 12pm

### Safeguarding: Extreme Heat

Just a reminder that these are the actions we have identified to help reduce the risk for our children:

- Children must have a filled water bottle each day (water only please). There will be plenty of opportunities to refill these during the school day and the children will be encouraged to stay hydrated.
- Children are allowed to wear their PE kits each day as these allow for better airflow.
- Children should wear a sun hat, preferably one with a wide brim.
- Please apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school and, if possible, send some to apply during the day.
- Windows and doors will be open for ventilation
- The timetables for the day will look different. The children will take more frequent but shorter breaks. They will not be outside for longer than 15 minutes at a time and will be encouraged to stay in shaded areas where possible.

### Election of a Parent Governor

St. Thomas of Canterbury Board of Governors are delighted to offer an opportunity for a parent to join us in the role of Parent Governor.

This exciting opportunity is open to parents who will have children on roll at St. Thomas of Canterbury in September 2022.

Parent governors are elected by means of a parent ballot. Further information is available in the letter attached.