



Our vision is that everyone will leave our school feeling they have achieved more than they ever thought possible, and they will make a difference to the world by serving God by helping others.

Dates for the Diary

Sat 28 Mar	Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt begins
Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April – Easter Holidays	
Wed 15 April	Nethercott Farm Meeting at 5.30pm for parents
Sat 25 April	Community Colour Run Event
Fri 8 May	Friends of STMS Adults' Quiz Night
Mon 18 May	Class and Year 6 Photographs
Mon 15 June	INSET Day for School and Pre-School
Sat 20 June	School Summer Fair

Attendance

Jupiter	97.6%
Orion	97.2%
Aquila	96.1%
Jellyfish	94.3%
Delphinus	94.2%
Neptune	94.0%
Columba	93.0%
Lyra	92.9%
Phoenix	92.3%
Angelfish	91.4%
Mars	91.0%
Pre-School	77.7%

Mr Sendall Says...



As we start Holy Week, I want to wish you all a happy and holy Easter with your family. May it be a time of renewal, joy, and hope and provide you with the chance for some quality time together.

Winner of the Giant Easter Egg

The lucky winner of our Giant Easter Egg raffle was...

Mrs Harrison

Total money raised from ticket sales was

£240.00

All monies raised go into the Friends of St Thomas More's Savings pot.
Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets.

Tommy's Childcare

Breakfast club Sessions:

7:45am - 8:45am £5.00

8:00am – 8:45am £4.00

Afterschool Club Sessions:

3:15pm - 4:30pm £6.00

3:15pm - 5:45pm £11.00

3:15pm - 6:00pm £12.00

For bookings, cancellations and queries, please contact tommys@st-thomasmores.hants.sch.uk.

In emergencies call: 07719 920 572

Sessions need to be booked in advance.

No last-minute bookings on a Thursday.



To enhance the spiritual life of the school community, our Spiritual Leaders will be sharing scripture which is personal to them and our school.

My name is Jazmyn. I am the spiritual leader in Mars. My favourite scripture is when Jesus healed the blind man. I like this story because we learned about it in school and it showed how powerful and caring Jesus is. "I was blind but now I see." (John 9:25)



CAFOD The Big Lent Walk

Across the school, during this Lenten period, the children have been taking part in the CAFOD Big Lent Walk. Children and staff have been walking together to raise money and awareness for those in need. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and sense of purpose as they take part.

Thank you for your donations and continued support in helping our children understand that Lent is not only about giving things up, but also about giving more of ourselves to others.

Here are some photos of KS1 taking part in their Big Lent Walk.



St Thomas More's Pre-School

Hooks Lane, Bedhampton, Havant PO9 3DR

Tel: 02392 475 909

Email: psadmin@st-thomasmores.hants.sch.uk

St Thomas More's Pre-school is a teacher led pre-school situated in the grounds of St Thomas More's School

Childcare is available from 7.45am to 6pm (term time only)

PLACES AVAILABLE



Year R Pirate Day

On Monday 27th April, we would like to invite all children in Year R to dress up as a pirate for our Pirate Day!

A letter will be sent home to you with further details after Easter, but we wanted to give you plenty of notice of the dress up.

Throughout the day, the children will take part in a range of fun activities, including a treasure hunt, learning sea shanties, and completing pirate-themed tasks.





ST THOMAS MORE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

COLOUR FUN RUN



**Obstacle course with
added messy colour!!
Family fun - run together
Everyone receives a medal
Refreshments too!**

SAT 25 APR

**Slot: available from 10 - 2
Pre-booking essential**

**£4 per entry - 50p spectators
Book your slot with
the school office
Exclusive slots for younger
participants**

East Egg Scavenger Hunt

The Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt takes place from
10am Saturday 28th March until Sunday 12th April at 5pm
around the local area.

Use your maps to find all the eggs, match the pattern and
input the letter on your entry form.

Bring your completed entry forms back to school by 9am on
Friday 17th April and you'll be entered into a special prize
draw for some Easter themed goodies.

Thank you to all the children who designed the eggs for this
year's hunt – they were all great!

Good luck every bunny!!





Faith Corner



Chapel News

As we are nearing Holy Week in this season of Lent, we continue praying the Stations of the Cross to commemorate Jesus' passion and death on the cross through art, prayers and reflections. Please join Ms Cryer in the chapel Mon-Wed 8:15-8:40. All families are welcome. This is an inspiring opportunity for parents to accompany their children for prayer and preparation.

If you are joining, please meet Ms Cryer at the infant playground gate 8:10 and she will walk you into the chapel.

Please be assured in our praying for all school intentions.

Teach me to pray

This week, we were so pleased to welcome more new children. It is great to see this group growing in faith and number. We have continued with the Sorrowful Mysteries and meditated on the Scourging at the Pillar. The children offered prayer intentions:

Tiggy- friends and family

Freya H- my grandad

Eliza- my nanny

Anne- those we love

Freya C- those who have died

Fletcher- the sick and homeless

Missy- those in hospital

Grandparents Association- all STMS children will grow in love for the Lord



Teach me to Pray is a beautiful opportunity to bridge our older and younger children to grow spiritually, share wisdom and pray together as one community. Through the Rosary, Scripture reflection, and shared intentions, we hope to nurture our faith and pass on the rich traditions of our Catholic faith to the next generation.

All children from year R to 6 are welcome to join. We meet on Mondays at 2:45 in the chapel and children return to class before the end of day for normal end of day collection.

If you would like your child to join Teach me to Pray, please let your teacher know or message them on dojo. All children who join will receive a rosary which has been blessed by Papa Leo.





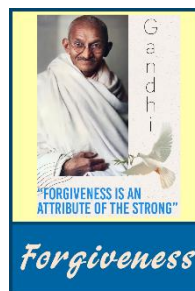
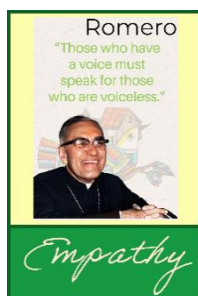
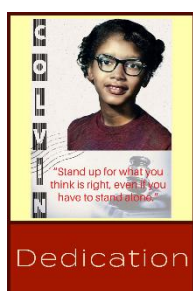
Clever Chefs – New Menus for April 2026

Please see below, new menu choices for use as of Monday 13th April. If your child has a special diet menu, Clever Chefs will email you separately.

WHISKED	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	CHICKEN & CHEESE WRAP Chicken & cheese wrapped up in a tortilla wrap	BEEF LASAGNE Layers of pasta, white sauce and beef ragù made with our super 7 sauce	ROAST CHICKEN Oven Roasted Breast of Chicken	PEPPERONI PIZZA Wholesome dough with our super 7 sauce and mozzarella cheese	SALMON FISHCAKE AND CHIPS
SIDES	VEGETABLE RICE Steamed vegetables and white rice with broccoli	GARLIC BREAD BITES SALAD	YONGHESE RUBBING RUBBED ROASTED SPINACH STEAKS & GRAVY	BBO BEANS HASH BROWN BITES	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS KETCHUP
MEAT-FREE	VEGETABLE & MIXED BEAN WRAP Veggie & mixed beans wrapped up in a tortilla wrap	VEGETABLE LASAGNE Layers of pasta, white sauce and veggie ragù made with our super 7 sauce	VEGGIE SAUSAGES	MARGHERITA PIZZA Wholesome dough with our super 7 sauce and mozzarella cheese	FISHLESS FINGERS AND CHIPS
DESSERTS	LEMON DRIZZLE CAKE	FRUITY FLAPJACK BITES	WIBBLE WOBBLE FRUIT JELLY	CHOCOLATE SHORTBREAD	CARROT CAKE
AVAILABLE DAILY FRESH BAKED BAGUETTE Monday & Thursday - Ham Tuesday & Friday - Cheese Wednesday - Tuna mayo HOT PASTA BAR Freshly cooked pasta served in a homemade super 7 tomato sauce OVEN BAKED JACKET POTATO Monday & Wednesday - Cheese Tuesday & Thursday - Baked Beans Friday - Tuna mayo ALTERNATIVE DESSERT Wedges of fresh fruit available SALAD TABLE Carrot sticks Cucumber sticks Roasting lettuce Sweetcorn Crispy croutons					
WHISKED by Clever Chefs At Clever Chefs we take food allergies and intolerances very seriously. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances you need to make us aware prior to ordering any food with us. We have a full breakdown of the 14 allergens on our primary school menu link on our website www.cleverchefs.co.uk OUR HEAT IS RED TRACTOR APPROVED! SCAN ME FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION					

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MAIN COURSE	CHICKEN SWEET CHILLI NOODLES Chicken noodles in a Sweet Chilli and Honey sauce	BEEF TACO PASTA Student favourite, beefy pasta, smushed nachos and cheese sauce	HUNTERS CHICKEN Oven Roasted Breast of Chicken topped with cheese and BBQ Sauce	ALL DAY BREAKFAST	FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS
SIDES	GREEN BEANS	CUCUMBER & BEAN SALSA Cucumber, 5 beans, cold super 7 coriander	RUFFLED ROASTED PEAS & CARROTS AND GRAVY	HASH BROWN BITES	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS KETCHUP
MEAT-FREE	VEGGIE SWEET CHILLI NOODLES Veggie noodles in a Sweet Chilli and Honey sauce	VEGGIE TACO PASTA BAKE Student favourite, roasted veggie pasta, smushed nachos and cheese sauce	CAULIFLOWER CHEESE & HERB CRUST	VEGGIE ALL DAY BREAKFAST	QUORN NUGGETS AND CHIPS
DESSERTS	JAM AND COCONUT CAKE	CHOCOLATE FUDGE BROWNIE	WIBBLE WOBBLE FRUIT JELLY	MARBLE CAKE	SHORTBREAD
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MAIN COURSE	CHICKEN & SWEETCORN PASTA BAKE	HOT DOG 2 x sausages in a hot dog roll	ROAST PORK Roast in the fields around Buntingford	MILD CHICKEN CURRY	FISH & CHIPS
SIDES	BROCCOLI MIXED SALAD	BAKED WEDGES SWEETCORN RELISH CRISPY ONIONS KETCHUP	STUFFED RUFFLED ROASTED SPINACH STEAKS & GRAVY	CLEVER POPPADUM INDIAN SALAD	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS KETCHUP
MEAT-FREE	ROAST VEGETABLE FRITTATTA	VEGGIE HOT DOG 2 x veggie sausages in a hot dog roll	ROAST VEGETABLE CRUMBLE	MILD VEG & CHICKPEA CURRY	CHEESE & TOMATO SUB MELT & CHIPS
DESSERTS	COOKIE Lemon and oat homemade cookie	UNICORN CAKE Homemade colourful vanilla sponge	WIBBLE WOBBLE FRUIT JELLY	BANANA CAKE	WIBBLE WOBBLE MOUSSE Chocolate flavoured
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We have recently updated our School Mission and Vision Statements.

For us, the **Mission** of the School is for the staff and states:

Our mission is to inspire every child by ensuring SUCCESS, providing OPPORTUNITY and fostering STEWARDSHIP within a loving, Catholic community.

The **Vision** is what we want everyone in our school community to strive towards. It states;

Our vision is that everyone will leave our school feeling they have **achieved** more than they ever thought possible, and they will **make a difference** to the world by **serving God by helping others**.

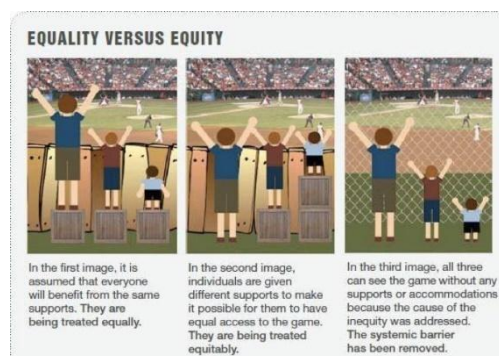
Our values are qualities which we endeavour to show in all we do. They are;

Dedication, Empathy, Forgiveness and Generosity.

Our House Patrons are role models of these values:

Claudette Colvin - Nine months before Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat, Colvin did the same. She wasn't being rude or selfish (as there was a seat free across the aisle from her), but this was a stand for all humans to be treated with dignity and respect during segregation in 1960s America. Colvin was only 15 when she took her stand against racism, and so she is an excellent role model for our pupils - to be dedicated to what is right, even if it means standing alone.

Oscar Romero - Catholic Social Teaching calls us to give preferential treatment to the poor - not just those who are poor in monetary value, but those who are disadvantaged in any way. Oscar Romero spoke out for the voiceless, which ultimately cost him his life. He serves as a reminder to us to be that voice for those who can't make themselves heard, to empathise with how they may be feeling and take action to put things right. We teach the children that equity is more important than equality.



Mahatma Gandhi - The Indian political ethicist is often quoted as saying "Be the change you wish to see in the world" - a motto which fits so well with the teachings of the Catholic faith. However, Gandhi is our patron for the value of Forgiveness. He said, "The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is an attribute of the strong." We teach children to forgive, but it is important that they also recognise forgiving shows great strength. It isn't always easy to do, but forgiving is something Christ taught us; therefore, we must strive to do this.

St Therese of Lisieux - St Therese struggled in many ways, something which we all do, but she lived her life doing random acts of kindness for people, calling people to love Jesus. This is something very simple for the children to understand and emulate. We teach the children to be stewards of all that they have been given - their time, their talent, their treasures, and to be generous with all of these things, just like St Therese.