



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

Week Beginning 27 October Half term & Scarecrow Scavenger Hunt

Mon 3 Nov	All Saints Day – see letter for dress options
Tue 4 Nov	Pre-School INSET Day (Pre-School only)
Mon 10 Nov	School & Pre-School Open Day 9.30am -11.00am
Fri 14 Nov	Children in Need Day
Tue 18 Nov	School & Pre-School Open Evening 4pm-7pm
Sat 6 Dec	St Thomas More's Christmas Fair 12pm-3pm
Mon 8 Dec	Adoration in School Chapel (am)
Fri 12, Mon 15, Tue 16 Dec	Bikeability
Mon 15 Dec	Yr1&2 Nativity at St Michael & All Angels @ 1pm
Mon 15 Dec	Advent reconciliation in hall (pm)
Wed 17 Dec	Yr3&4 Carol service

Attendance

Jupiter	99.7%
Neptune	98.7%
Mars	97.6%
Pre-School	97.2%
Delphinus	96.1%
Aquila	95.0%
Orion	94.7%
Angelfish	93.5%
Phoenix	93.2%
Lyra	91.9%
Jellyfish	91.7%
Columba	91.3%

attendance
MATTERS

Rotary Club Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to all the kind families who made up a Rotary Shoe Box for children around the world. In total we collected 48 boxes, these were collected today and taken to be packed up ready to be transported to Ukraine, Romania and Moldova.



Class PE Days

– please note there are a few changes

Children can come into school wearing their PE kit on their PE Day...

Year R:	Monday
Mars:	Wednesday and Friday
Jupiter:	Wednesday and Friday
Neptune:	Wednesday and Friday
Columba:	Wednesday and Friday
Delphinus:	Tuesday and Wednesday
Phoenix:	Tuesday and Friday
Aquila:	Thursday
Lyra:	Wednesday
Orion:	Thursday



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

Luke 9:57. As they went on their way, a man said to Jesus,
I will follow you wherever you go.





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 will need to be booked in advance.

Year 5/6 Rotational lessons

On a Monday afternoon, year 5 and 6 will follow a rota for Art, Forest School and PE lessons. Please see the table below for you to use to be able to provide the correct equipment at the correct time:

Year 5/6 – Monday PM				
	8/9, 15/9, 22/9	29/9, 6/10, 13/10, 20/10	3/11, 10/11, 17/11	24/11, 1/12, 8/12, 15/12
Art	Lyra	Orion	Aquila	Lyra
Forest School	Orion	Aquila	Lyra	Orion
CM Sports	Aquila	Lyra	Orion	Aquila

Office Hours

Just a reminder that the School Office opening hours are 8.30am -3.30pm.

If you need to make contact out of these hours, please email adminoffice@st-thomasmores.hants.sch.uk or call and leave a message on 02392 475909.

Staff will respond as soon as possible.



Tax Credit Checker

Follow the link below to see if you qualify for tax free credits. This can apply to any parents and be used for any type of childcare, providing the childcare provider is signed up too.

<https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/eligibility-checker>

Clever Chefs – New Catering Service for January 2026

As you may be aware, the catering service provided by Hampshire County Council is due to end. We have been exploring alternative catering options and are excited to announce that Clever Chefs will be our new school meal provider from January 2026.

Clever Chefs are an award-winning chef led catering service, providing fresh, healthy, good quality food. More information will be sent to you before January, but in the meantime please see the attached introduction from Clever Chefs, along with a sample menu. If your child requires a medical special diet menu, Clever Chefs will be able to create this too. We are pleased to confirm that there won't be an increase in charge for school meals. Although the exact menu for us is still to be decided, but to give you an idea of menu, here are some examples below...

WHISKED	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	PEPPERONI PIZZA	COWBOY HOTPOT	ROAST CHICKEN	PASTA BOLOGNAISE	FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS
	SWEETCORN BAKED WIDGES	BROCCOLI	VEGGIE COWBOY HOTPOT	GARLIC BREAD	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS
SIDES	MARGHERITA PIZZA	VEGGIE COWBOY HOTPOT	ROAST VEGETABLE TAGINE	VEGGIE BOLOGNAISE	QUORN NUGGETS AND CHIPS
	STRAWBERRY HOUSES	SPRINKLE CAKE	FRUIT JELLY	FRUIT YOGHURTS	CHOCOLATE COOKIES
DESSERTS					
AVAILABLE DAILY					
FRESH BAKED BAGUETTE					
HOT PASTA BAR					
OVEN BAKED JACKET POTATO					
ALTERNATIVE DESSERT					
SALAD TABLE					
HOMEMADE FRESH BREAD ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY FROM THE BREAD STATION					
OUR MEAT IS 100% FARMER APPROVED					
Autumn / Winter 2025, 26					
WEEK ONE					
Dinner: 3/11 - 24/11					
11/11/25 - 13/11/25					
www.whiskedbycleverchefs.co.uk					
ALLERGENS & INTOLERANCES					
We are a dedicated allergen-free kitchen. All our ingredients are carefully sourced to ensure they are free from the top 14 allergens. We are not a dedicated allergen-free kitchen, but we do have a dedicated allergen-free menu. We are not a dedicated allergen-free kitchen, but we do have a dedicated allergen-free menu. We are not a dedicated allergen-free kitchen, but we do have a dedicated allergen-free menu.					
SCAN ME FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION					
WHISKED by Clever Chefs					

WHISKED	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	CHEESEBURGER PASTA BAKE	BANANOS & MASH	ROAST GAMMON	CHEESY CHICKEN	FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS
	SWEETCORN	BROCCOLI	THREE BEANS CASSEROLE WITH POTATOES AND CHEESE CRUST	GREEN BEANS NEW POTATOES	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS
SIDES	MARGHERITA CHEESE	VEGGIE BANANOS & MASH	CAULIFLOWER CHEESE & HERB CRUST	CHEESY QUORN FILLET	QUORN NUGGETS AND CHIPS
	CHOCOLATE FUDGE BROWNIE	CHOCOLATE ORANGE CAKE	FRUIT JELLY	FRUIT YOGHURTS	FLAPJACK
DESSERTS					
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ALTERNATIVE DESSERT		SCAN ME FOR MORE INFORMATION		Dates: 24/11 - 1/12	
SALAD TABLE				WEEK TWO 2	
WHISKED by Clever Chefs					

WHISKED	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	BIG BREAKFAST	COTTAGE PIE	ROAST PORK	CHICKEN CURRY RICE	FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS
	BAKED BEANS	BROCCOLI	VEGGIE COWBOY HOTPOT VEGGIE COWBOY HOTPOT SERVED WITH POTATO CHIPS	HOMEMADE POPPANO	BAKED BEANS OR BAKED PEAS
SIDES	VEGGIE BIG BREAKFAST	VEGGIE COTTAGE PIE	QUORN FILLET	VEGGIE CURRY RICE	QUORN NUGGETS AND CHIPS
MEAT-FREE	PROSTED BANANA SQUARE	HARLE CAKE	FRUIT JELLY	FRUIT YOGHURTS	CHOCOLATE CHIP BITES
DESSERTS					
AVAILABLE DAILY					
FRESH BAKED BAGUETTE		HOMEMADE FRESH BREAD ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY FROM THE BREAD STATION		Autumn / Winter 2025 26	
HOT PASTA BAR		OUR MEAT IS 100% FARMER APPROVED		WEEK THREE 3	
OVEN BAKED JACKET POTATO		ALLERGENS & INTOLERANCES		Dates: 1/12 - 8/12	
ALTERNATIVE DESSERT		SCAN ME FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION		WHISKED by Clever Chefs	
SALAD TABLE					



Jesus Prince of Peace Parish

Mass Schedule as of Saturday 6th September

Day	Time	Church
Saturday	12:00pm	St Michael's
Saturday Vigil	5:00pm	St Thomas'
	6:00pm	St Colman's
	6:15pm	Sacred Heart
Sunday	9:00am	St Thomas'
	9:00am	St Edmund's
	9:30am	St Colman's
	9:30am	St Michael's
	11:00am	Sacred Heart
	11:00am	*St Patrick's (From 5 th October)
	11:00am	St Joseph's
	11:30am	St Paul's
	1:00pm	St Joseph's (Polish)
	4:00pm	Queen Alexandra Hospital
	5:30pm	Sacred Heart
Monday	7:00am	Sacred Heart
	12:30pm	Queen Alexandra Hospital
Tuesday	9am	St Colman's
	6:30pm	St Edmund's
Wednesday	9:30am	St Joseph's
	10:15am	St Michael's
	10:30am	St Patrick's
	12:00pm	Sacred Heart
Thursday	10:00am	St Thomas'
	10:00am	St Edmund's
	10:30am	St Patrick's
Friday	9:30am	St Joseph's
	10:30am	St Patrick's
	12:00pm	Sacred Heart
	6:30pm	St Colman's
	7:30pm	St Joseph's (Polish)

Chapel News

In the school chapel, we continue to pray rosary Monday-Wednesday mornings before school starts.

In the month of **November**, we particularly pray for those who have died and for our school intentions. This is an inspiring opportunity for parents to accompany their children for prayer.

Please arrive at the infant gate entrance before 8:15 and Miss Cryer will let you through. Thank you.



Mr Sendall Says...

A shout out to Phoenix Class who stood out as being so smart in their full school uniform - not a trainer in sight!

Thank you to all of our parents, whichever class your child is in, for following the school uniform expectations.

It is appreciated.

Supporting our Community The One Foundation

The children had a wonderful opportunity to meet Esther Ellis, founder and organiser of The One Foundation Food Bank, which operates out of One Church, Emsworth. Esther and her dedicated team of volunteers work tirelessly to collect donations and deliver care and food parcels to families in need.

Our Spiritual Leaders did a fantastic job helping to load up the trailer and car with donations.

Thanks to your generous support this year, we have been able to continue making a significant contribution to families in our community who are facing challenging times.

If you are in need of support from the foundation, please contact Mrs. Webster at school.





All Saints Day

Monday 3rd November

On 3rd November, STMS will be celebrating All Saints Day, a Holy day of obligation where we honour and celebrate our Blessed Saints from around the world and the lives they led for Our Lord.

Our Holy Saints led by example and pave the way for goodness and faithfulness in our own lives and we thank them immensely for this.

As we thank Our Lord for the Saints given to us from countries around the world, we invite our school community to celebrate our own cultures and backgrounds. So, on Monday, 3rd November as we celebrate All Saints Day, children will be invited to wear a costume or dress which represents the country they are from. We want this to be an opportunity to show off the colours and nations of our diverse school community as a nod to the vast diversity of the Saints celebrated around the world.

On this day, children are invited to wear:

- a cultural costume from your country
- full school uniform
- colours which match your country's flag

Please note that **no football kits** can be worn on this day due to Holy Mass.

Additionally, for mass, we would love to express bidding prayers in different languages. If you would like your child to say a bidding prayer in their language during school's mass then please can you send in the prayer either written or through dojo to your class teacher.

Obrigado. Dziękuję. Salamat Po. Multumesc.
Thank you. Muchas gracias.



Children starting School in September 2026

Applications close:
Thursday 15 January 2026

Children starting Year 7 in September 2026

Applications close:
Friday 31 October 2025

For more information:
www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

School Photographs

Just a reminder that School Photograph
Order Closing Date is

Tuesday 4 November.

Please be advised if you have NOT yet placed your School Photograph order, you will need to do this by visiting www.smileYellow.com using the passwords on your Proof card.

Brigade School Uniform Supplier Discount

Brigade, one of our school uniform suppliers is running a discount weekend.

For more information, please visit the website <https://www.brigade.uk.com/>

Promotion Details:

- Discount: 10% off
- Promo Code: PUMPKIN10
- Live From: Friday 31st October at 12am
- Ends: Sunday 2nd November at 11:59pm

St Thomas More's Primary School & Pre-School

OPEN DAYS 2025

Teacher-Led Pre-School | Caring Staff |
Comprehensive Curriculum | Engaging
Extracurricular Activities | Safe and Supportive
Learning Environment



Wednesday 22nd October 2025 (9:30 - 11am)

Monday 10th November 2025 (9:30 - 11am)

Tuesday 18th November 2025 (4pm - 7pm)

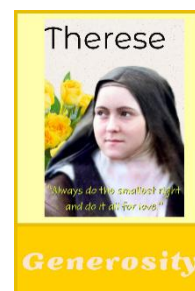
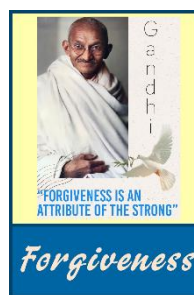
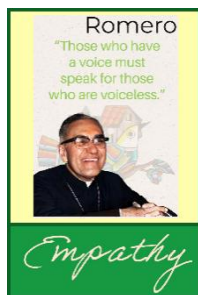
We welcome children of any faith, or none

Hooks Lane, Havant, PO9 3DR

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If you can't make these dates, please visit the Open Day page on our website and use the form to request a different date.



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**.

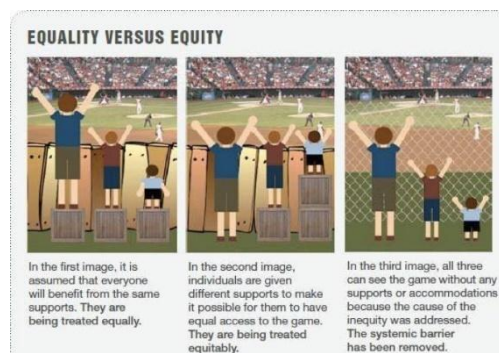
Our values are qualities which we endeavour to show in all we do. They are;

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.