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Dates for the Diary

Mon 13 July	First Holy Communion Liturgy
Mon 13 July	Little Troopers trip to Beaulieu
Tue 14 July	Yr 6 Wizard of Oz performance – 1.45pm
Tue 14 July	Yr 6 Wizard of Oz performance – 6.30pm
Wed 15 July	Yr 6 Wizard of Oz performance – 5.30pm
Tue 21 July	Y6 Leavers' Mass
Tue 21 July	Y6 Fun Day
Wed 22 July	Y6 Leavers' Picnic
Wed 22 July	Last day of term (whole school and Pre-school)
Tue 1 Sept	INSET Day for both Pre-School & school
Wed 2 Sept	INSET Day for both Pre-School & school
Thurs 12 Nov	Flu Vaccination Day (whole school)

Attendance

Jellyfish	97.8%
Aquila	95.9%
Delphinus	95.2%
Phoenix	94.8%
Jupiter	94.5%
Mars	94.5%
Orion	93.6%
Neptune	93.3%
Columba	92.7%
Angelfish	91.4%
Lyra	91.3%
Pre-School	87.5%

Mr Sendall says...

The Great British Heatwave...

Thank you all for your understanding regarding the changes we have had to make to our plans during the hot weather.

On Monday, we had our School Sports Day...

The final outcome for Sports Day was KS1: Romero House (red), and for KS2: Ghandi (blue). Well done Romero & Ghandi! I also know how disappointing it can be for children when they don't win (I still remember coming last in the egg and spoon race in Primary School!), but I understand that it is an important part of helping them to build resilience to the bigger disappointments in life. Well done also for everyone for participating!

To many it may seem like something that is easy to do, but for some children, it is not - they have to show great bravery to take part, so I am particularly proud of them for this.

First Holy Communions...

On Monday we have our celebration for all the children who made their First Holy Communion this year. A big congratulations to all for making this very special sacrament.



Lost Property

Lost property will be out on the Junior playground for all of next week (weather dependant).

Please do take anything that belongs to your child. At the end of term, anything left will be disposed of.

PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING

Can we also take this opportunity to ask parents to label your child's clothing clearly. We are receiving so much school uniform with no names, which we are having to dispose of at the end of each term.



INSET Day

Inset Days set for September for both School & Pre-School:

Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September

Brigade Uniform

To ensure that delivery is made before the new school term, Brigade School uniform suppliers suggest getting orders in before Friday 17th July.

To place an order please visit www.brigade.uk.com

Orders placed after Friday 17th July may be delivered after the start of the new school term.

Brigade strongly encourages parents to order before the deadline to avoid disappointment.

Treetops Sexual Assault Referral Centre

For people in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

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Isle of Wight Healthcare
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STOP DOMESTIC ABUSE

ABUSE IS NEVER OKAY.
EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE,
RESPECTED AND LOVED.

SPEAK OUT. GET HELP. END THE ABUSE.

GET HELP If you are experiencing domestic abuse or are worried about someone, help is available.	ABUSE CAN LOOK LIKE: Physical Abuse Hitting, pushing, slapping, or any use of force. Emotional Abuse Put downs, threats, humiliation, or controlling behaviour. Financial Abuse Controlling money, preventing access to finances or work. Sexual Abuse Any unwanted sexual activity or pressure. Coercive Control Isolating, monitoring, intimidation, and controlling every part of life.
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info@stopdomesticabuse.uk
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7 days a week • Confidential

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SUPPORT VISIT:
WWW.STOPDOMESTICABUSE.UK

**SHOW RESPECT.
CHOOSE KINDNESS.
BUILD A SAFE COMMUNITY.**

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.
JOHN 15:12**

YOU ARE NOT ALONE | SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE | TOGETHER WE CAN STOP DOMESTIC ABUSE

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



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.





World Cup and Stop Domestic Abuse Campaign

This start of the World Cup, launched the **World Cup Stop Domestic Abuse Campaign** across Hampshire, and we are committed to supporting this important campaign.

With the football tournament taking place in the coming weeks, we want to ensure that our school community is aware of the support available and knows where to turn for guidance and help if needed. Major football tournaments and sporting events, bring people together, creating excitement and a sense of community. However, for many people, domestic abuse is a hidden harm that can intensify behind closed doors.

Research and local data consistently show that incidents of domestic abuse increase around major men's football tournaments, with reports rising by approximately 25% following matches, regardless of whether the team wins, loses or draws.

A range of factors can contribute to this increase, including changes in routine, heightened emotions, alcohol consumption, financial pressures and gambling-related stress.

Raising awareness helps people recognise the signs of abuse and understand that support is available before, during and after match days, whether this be the World Cup or another sporting event.

Domestic abuse can affect anyone and is not always physical. It can include emotional or psychological abuse, controlling or coercive behaviour, financial abuse, threats and intimidation, and online or digital abuse. Children too are affected by domestic abuse.

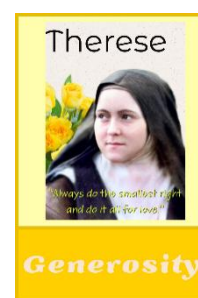
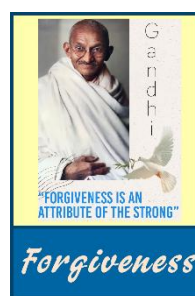
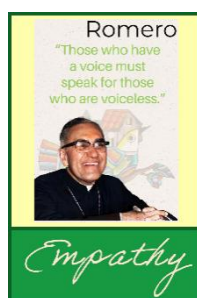
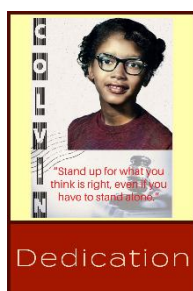
The Stop Domestic Abuse Campaign aims to raise awareness, support those affected and encourage everyone to take action. St Thomas More's are committed to promoting the safety and wellbeing of all children and families and ensuring that those who need support know where to access help.

If you are worried about yourself, a child, a family member, a friend or a neighbour, support is available. You do not have to face this alone.

There are a range of professionals who can offer advice, guidance and support, including: school staff, your GP, health visitors, school nursing services, Children's Services, Domestic Abuse Support Services, the Police (if there is an immediate risk to safety).

Speaking to a trusted professional can be the first step towards getting help and support. All staff are here to listen, care and work with you to find the support you need.

Together as a school community, we can raise awareness, challenge domestic abuse and help keep our family, friends and communities safe.



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;

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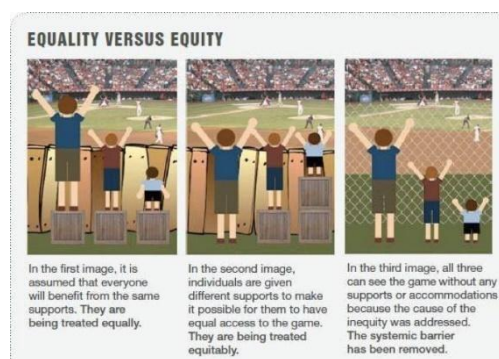
Our values are qualities which we endeavour to show in all we do. They are;

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.