



St Thomas

Church of England Primary School



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Tuesday 19th July 2022

Dear Parents,

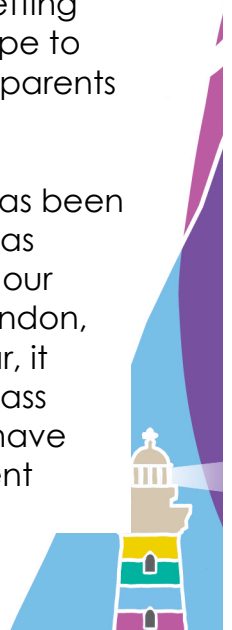
As another school year draws to a close, I am sure you will all agree, we are all ready for a well-earned summer break!

Yesterday we bid a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 children. During the past few weeks, they have been busy enjoying a whole host of different activities, such as the Year 6 play, YMCA residential, the End of Year Service and the Prom. Over the past 7 years, we have loved watching them grow and develop into the wonderful young people they are. We wish all our Year 6 children the best of luck as they move to their high schools.

We also bid a fond farewell to Mrs. Davis who has been a devoted member of our St. Thomas' team for the past 25 years. Mrs. Davis has worked with hundreds of children and families over these years and we will all have many fond memories. Mrs. Davis will undoubtedly be missed here at St. Thomas' and she will leave a lasting legacy. We wish Mrs. Davis many happy years of retirement but we look forward to her still being part of our school family. We are also saying goodbye to Mr. Culshaw, who has been with us since December in Year 4. We wish him well for the next stage in his teaching career.

I am sure many parents may be already thinking about new school uniform ready for September, please note the following: coats must be a school coat with a badge or smart plain waterproof coat (no hoodies or jackets). Dark durable shoes must be worn not trainers or boots. Earrings are not permitted what so ever for health and safety reasons. Please also ensure that children bring in the correct PE kit and games kits (KS2 only) in a drawstring bag. As you will know, we will be setting up a nearly new uniform shop for parents to access (free of charge). We hope to have this up and running for the start of the new school year and we will let parents know over the summer when this opens.

Whilst this year we have had to still face the many challenges of COVID, it has been great to get back to normality in many ways. A particular highlight for me was launching our new 'Five Be Experiences'. These experiences have provided our children with amazing opportunities such as climbing a mountain, visiting London, standing in a river and visiting museums and galleries. As well as this, this year, it has been brilliant to welcome back parents fully to various events such as class worship, performances and nativities. Finally, despite all the challenges we have faced over the last few years, this year we achieved our best ever assessment scores.





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	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
KS2 (Year 6) Expected Standard National Average	100% 74% nat av	97% 69% nat av	100% 71% nat av	97% 59% nat av
KS1 (Year 2) Expected Standard	90%	77%	93%	77%
Year 1 Phonics Screening	97%	Year 2 Phonics Screening	100%	

Finally, I'd like to say thank you to everyone who has made this year a year to remember for many reasons! The teachers, support staff, parents, governors, PTA and most importantly the children, who make us the outstanding school we are. I look forward to seeing the children refreshed when we return on **Monday 5th September 8.50am** to start our new school year. I have attached our 2022-2023 term dates for your convenience, which can also be found on our school website.

Jesus leads by example. When he needed to rest, he did. Often, he would go away by himself or just simply spend time with friends. I think we could learn a lesson from him. If he needed to rest so do we! Matthew 11:28 sums it up:

'Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.'

Whatever you have planned for over the coming weeks, enjoy them, and rest with Jesus.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher





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School Term Dates & Holidays 2022 - 2023



	School opens on	School closes on	Purpose	No. of days
AUTUMN TERM 1 - 2022	Monday 5th Sep	Thursday 20th Oct	Half Term	
AUTUMN TERM 2 - 2022	Tuesday 1st Nov	Wednesday 21st Dec	Christmas	71
SPRING TERM 3 - 2023	Wednesday 4th Jan	Friday 10th Feb	Half Term	
SPRING TERM 4 - 2023	Monday 20th Feb	Friday 31st March	Spring Break	58
SUMMER TERM 5 - 2023	Monday 17th Apr	Thursday 25th May	Half Term	
SUMMER TERM 6 - 2023	Monday 5th June	Wednesday 19th July	Summer Break	62
*(School closed Monday, 1st May 2023 – Bank Holiday)				
Total Days				190

Inset Days:-
Thursday 01/09/22
Friday 02/09/22
Friday 21/10/22
Monday 31/10/22
Friday 26/05/23

Half Term:- 25th to 30th October 2022
Half Term:- 13th to 17th February 2023
Half Term:- 29th May to 2 June 2023

