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THE MORE MESSENGER

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning to love, live and celebrate as we grow in the knowledge and love of Christ

Anything in The More Messenger that is red and underlined is a dynamic link. Click or tap the link to take you to further information or booking forms.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Friday 7th March-14th March	Science Week
Monday 10th March	Lenten Reconciliation (KS2)
Thursday 13th March	Governor Morning
Monday 1st April	Year 3 & 4 Easter Play - Dress rehearsal @ 9.30am - limited capacity due to the rest of school also watching
Tuesday 2nd April	Year 3 & 4 Easter Play @ 6pm - all welcome
Friday 4th April	STMSA Easter Egg Trail
Monday 7th April-Monday 21st April	Easter Holidays - school closed
Tuesday 22nd April	Pupils back to school

Please check the calendar on the school website for updates and future dates.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCHOOL TARGET - 97%	THIS WEEK - 95.40%	THIS YEAR - 96.19%

BOOK FAIR

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to support our book fair last week. We made **£830** in 4 days which is amazing. This also means that we have earned **50% of that back for us to spend on books in school**. Many thanks once again for your support, for the adults in school who gave up their time and to Ms Gabbitas for arranging it. Enjoy all your new books.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Thank you to all who were able to join us on Wednesday afternoon as Fr Joseph celebrated Mass for us to mark the beginning of Lent. It was lovely to be joined by parishioners from Sacred Heart church as well as parents and family members. Thank you to the children for their participation in reading so clearly and singing beautifully.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday was a great big pyjama-party at school! Thank you to all the children and adults who entered into the spirit of the day. The toilet/kitchen-roll book characters created and brought in were of an incredible standard! We hope you enjoyed making them. Ms Gabbitas had her work cut out deciding on the various winners. Congratulations to:

EYFS: Dottie KS1: Orla M and Toby LOWER KS2: Emily
UPPER KS2: Neve STAFF: Mrs Rogers

PARENT SURVERY

Going live today is the Spring Parent Survey. We greatly appreciate your feedback, as it plays an important role in helping us make improvements at our school for the benefit of the children. Please use the link **here** to answer the short survey and share your views. The survey will be open for 2 weeks, closing on Friday 20th March, thank you.

YEAR 6 SATS BOOKS

Additional revision materials discussed at the Year 6 SATS Information Session can now be found in the 'products' section on the My Child at School App. This is the 'Complete KS2 Maths and English 10-Minute Test SAT Buster Book 1 Bundle' for a cost of £7 when ordered through school (retail price £15). Orders can be placed until Friday 13th March at which point school will place any orders made.

FAMILY TRAVELLER DAY OUT TO ALLIANZ STADIUM TWICKENHAM

See the link **here** for information about the family event on March 22nd & 23rd. There are free activities such as climbing walls, parkour, crazy golf, surf simulators, ice hockey, football skill classes and stargazing and a unique chance to play inside the home of England Rugby thanks to exclusive pitch-side training sessions with Harlequins coaches. Family tickets are priced at £10 with the code FTSCHOOLS.

PRAYER AT HOME

This week's resource, reflecting on Ash Wednesday and Lent, can be found **here**.

CLUBS OVERVIEW

Click **here** to see an overview of clubs and activities available after half term.

ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (STMSA) NEWS

St Patrick's Day Event – Sunday 16th March, 12am – 5:00pm.
Tickets for this event are now sold out! We look forward to seeing many of you there!

PTA Committee Meeting - Tuesday 18th March at 7.30pm
We would like to invite all parents (even if you are not on the committee) to our next planning meeting where we will finalise plans for this term's exciting events, start planning the Summer Fair and discuss how we can further support the school and enrich our children's experiences. Please keep this date free in your diary - details to follow. We look forward to seeing you there!

Upcoming Events:
Don't forget to pop the below dates in your diary and watch out for more info in the class WhatsApp groups or in upcoming newsletters.
Mother's Day Event - Friday 28th March
Easter Trail - Friday 4th April

Spring 2 **REMINDERS:**	**FOREST SCHOOL** Mondays Year 5	**EYFS FOREST SCHOOL** Tuesdays Nursery and Reception	**SWIMMING** Thursdays Year 3