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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...

Tuesday 1st April	Year 3 & 4 Easter Play - Dress rehearsal @ 9.30am - limited capacity due to the rest of school also watching
Wednesday 2nd April	Year 3 & 4 Easter Play @ 6pm - all welcome
Friday 4th April	STMSA Easter 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 - 96.80%	THIS YEAR - 96.21%

SCIENCE WEEK

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped in our workshops and gave talks to our classes during this year's Science Week. Thank you to Mrs Firmin for organising such engaging workshops for our children to help bring Science to life.

Science Poster Competition

To celebrate this years Science week we are launching a poster competition. The theme is 'Change and Adapt.' Children will be able to explore any beneficial changes or adaptations. They could create a poster showing:

- How plants and animals adapt to changing seasons or surroundings
- How humans have adapted to changing technology
- Look at climate change and how we can adapt our behaviours to protect the environment
- Or their favourite science experiment and how it shows change

Explore science around us and have fun!

Deadline for entries is **Friday 28th March.** Entries to be given to Mrs Firmin in Year 5 or handed into the school office for her attention. Prizes will be awarded to EYFS, KS1 and KS2 before the Easter holidays.

FRIENDS IN FAITH

With it being the season of Lent and a Jubilee year, we are beginning St Thomas More's 'Friends in Faith'. These are pupil representatives across KS2 who will help support and enrich the Catholic Life of our school through organising activities, modelling different ways of praying and being a great ambassador for our school values. Application forms are available for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to collect from the display in the hall. Any final applications to be returned by Tuesday 18th March.

PARENT SURVERY

A reminder that the Spring Parent Survey will close next Friday, 20th March. 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.

PRAYER AT HOME

This week's resource, reflecting on St Patrick, can be found **here**.

CLUBS OVERVIEW

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

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

March 100 Club Winners
1st (£100) Regan Allen 2nd (£50) Ann Harte 3rd (£25) Michael Wall

If you would like to be a winner, please sign up via **https://forms.gle/p6w6TZoL76wpEvFc7**

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