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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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY....

Thursday 23rd January	Year 5 Trip to the O2 for Young Voices concert
Wednesday 29th January	Learning Showcase 3.15-4.15pm
w/c 10th February	Other Faiths Learning - Islam (Years 1-6)
17th-21st February	Half Term - school closed

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCHOOL TARGET - 97%	THIS WEEK - 97.25%	THIS YEAR - 96.51%

CELEBRATION OF THE WORD - PILGRIMS OF HOPE

This week, our school community came together to celebrate Mass, marking the beginning of our Jubilee journey as Pilgrims of Hope. We also marked this special moment in our school, embracing our time with the ASCAT Torch of Hope before it goes to the next school on its year-long pilgrimmage around our family of schools.

A heartfelt thank you to Fr. Joseph for leading us in this special Mass, and to Fr. John from Corpus Christi, Tring, for joining us. Our students participated with great enthusiasm and sang beautifully.

We are grateful to Deacon Liam, who captured some of these moments, including the children's uplifting singing. Some of these clips will make up part of the All Saints Catholic Academy Trust (ASCAT) Jubilee Launch Day video, which will be shared next week.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING AND LEARNING SHOWCASE

Thank you to all those who joined us virtually this week to meet with teachers. We had 92% of students who had a booking made for a parent or carer to hear about their learning and progress. This is an increase on Autumn term's uptake, thank you.

We look forward to welcoming you into school for our **Learning Showcase** on **Wednesday 29th January 3.15-4.15pm**. This is where, following on from the feedback shared this week, you and your children can look at the work in their books in their classroom. The STMSA will be providing refreshments and a cake sale in the hall.

FOOTBALL

Congratulations to our Year 5 & 6 Girls Football team who had their first match of the season earlier this week. It finished a 1-1 draw. Best of luck for your match today!

PRAYER AT HOME

This week's resource, focusing on the Baptism of the Lord, can be found **here**.

SACRED HEART YOUTH MASS

Saturday 1st February at 5pm, come and join other young people in the participation and celebration of Mass. The poster can be found **here.**

ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (STMSA)

Learning Showcase and cake sale on Wednesday 29th January

Our first event of 2025! Please join us in the school hall to enjoy tea and cakes after looking at your children's books. Please can Year 1 and 5 bring in (nut free) cakes for the cake sale.

STMSA AGM - Thursday 30th January @ 7.30pm in the school hall

All parents are automatically members of the STMSA and are welcome to attend. We will be electing a new treasurer and secretary along with re-electing all members of the committee. Please come along and hear about the monies raised and the activities supported in the school.

January 100 Club Winners

1st (£100) David Toorawa, 2nd (£50) Jo Cosgrove, 3rd (£25) Monique Shotton.
If you would like to sign up please click **here**.