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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...

***New dates in green**

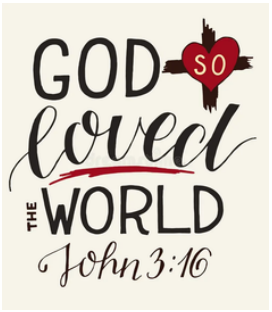
Tuesday 23rd September	STMSA Committee Meeting - The Old Mill @ 8pm
Wednesday 24th September	OPAL Parent Workshop 3.20-4pm in the hall
Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th September	Parent Consultation Evenings - virtual 3.40-7pm
Monday 29th September	Special Friends Welcome Assembly @ 2.45pm - parents welcome *(Reception and Year 6 buddies)*
Wednesday 1st October	Learning Showcase - children's work out in class on display
	STMSA Cake Sale and Halloween Costume Swap in hall
Friday 10th October	STMSA Quiz Night - School hall @ 7pm
Monday 13th October	Harvest Bring and Sing @ 2.30pm - parents welcome
Monday 27th - Friday 31st October	Half Term - school closed
Friday 7th November	STMSA Glow Party - after school

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCHOOL TARGET - 97%	THIS WEEK - 97%	THIS YEAR - 95%

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD



This week, we reflected on the Gospel of John in which we heard about God's love for the world being so great that He gave His son so that we can have eternal life. Through Jesus' sacrifice, crosses and crucifixes are now a reminder of God's love for us. We will be looking to see how many symbols of God's love we can see around us at school, home and in church.

FOCUS GROUP

We have made contact with volunteers today who indicated their willingness and availability to take part in our upcoming Focus Group session. Thank you for volunteering your time so generously, we are very grateful. There are still a couple of remaining spaces. Please email admin if you wish to find out more. The original letter can be found here.

HOUSE SAINTS

Thank you to those who took the time to suggest ideas for our House Saints re-naming. Children have listened to all of the suggested saints and their stories and voted to name their houses after a new saint. We are thrilled to share our new House Saints:

St Mark	**St Mary Zhu Wu**
St Francis of Assisi	**St Carlo Acutis**

Keep an eye on our school social media for more about this.
Instagram - @stmorecps
Facebook - St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

PARENT CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

A letter was shared about our upcoming Parent Consultation appointments on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th September. The letter with information can be found here, and the booking link can be found here. Thank to those who have already booked, we already have 70% with an appointment.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Mr Carey for arranging for new fencing to be put up in our Reception and Year 1 outdoor area. We are very grateful and it looks excellent!

OPAL PARENT WORKSHOP

Join us on **Wednesday** after school as we hold an OPAL Parent Workshop. This will be led by our OPAL Mentor, Louise, and will provide further insight into what OPAL is as well as its benefits for our children, their wellbeing and their playtimes. This will be held in the **school hall** from **3.20pm-4pm.**

ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (STMSA) NEWS

Committee Meeting - Tuesday 23rd September, 8pm at The Old Mill

Join us for our first PTA committee meeting of the year! It's a relaxed, friendly evening where we share ideas, plan fun events, and explore new ways to support our wonderful school community. This year is especially exciting as we begin looking for parents who might like to step into future PTA Chair roles. It's a fantastic way to make a difference, meet other families, and help shape the events and opportunities our children enjoy. No experience required - everyone is welcome, and we'd love to see you there!

Apple Juice Sale

Our freshly pressed STM Apple Juice are on sale - we sold around 60 bottles this week and still loads left (they last up to a year!). £5 per bottle, or 3 for £12. If you would like to buy some, please contact your class rep or watch out for the next sale on the KS1 playground.

SAVE THE DATES! Autumn fundraising events that you won't want to miss!

Cake Sale & Halloween Costume Swap: Weds 1st Oct, after school pick-up.

While you take a look at your children's books in class, come and grab some cake and pick up (or swap!) a Halloween costume.

Quiz Night: Fri 10th Oct, 7pm

Join us for a fantastic evening of quizzing, delicious food, and a great chance to get to know other STM parents. Tickets will be on sale soon!

Glow Party: Fri 7th Nov, after school.

Don't miss our Glow in the Dark extravaganza - disco, hot dogs, arts & crafts, and marshmallow toasting! (Booking will open closer to the time)

Autumn 1 REMINDERS:	FOREST SCHOOL Year 2	SWIMMING Year 4