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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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***New dates in green**

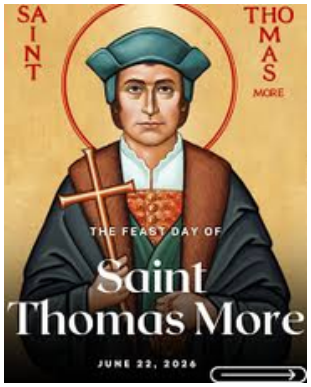
Monday 29th June	Year 3 trip to Ashmolean Museum
Thursday 2nd July	Year 1 and Year 2 Trip to the Seaside
Wednesday 8th July	**Year 6 Play at 6pm all are welcome**
Thursday 9th July	**Moving Up Day**
Thursday 9th July	**EYFS Graduation afternoon at 2pm parents are welcome**
Thursday 9th July	Secondary Transition Day
Tuesday 14th July	**Additional transition day for EYFS and Yr 1**
Thursday 16th July	Year 6 Leavers' Mass at Sacred Heart Church 2pm - parents are welcome
Thursday 16th July	End of Term 1:30pm finish
Friday 17th July	

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCHOOL TARGET - 97%	THIS WEEK - 94%	THIS YEAR - 95.4%

Thank you to all of our parents and families who joined us at the beginning of the week for our St Thomas More Feast Day Mass, celebrated by Father Joseph. It was a lovely opportunity for us to come together as a school community and celebrate the feast day of our patron saint. We are very grateful to everyone who joined us for this special occasion.



Over the last couple of weeks, it has been wonderful to see so many of our children sharing their musical talents during our school music concerts. The children performed brilliantly, showing confidence, enthusiasm and pride in what they have been learning.

A special thank you to Mrs O'Brien from Hertfordshire Music Service for organising the concerts and supporting music across the school, including our school choir. We would also like to thank Mr Perera for his guitar lessons, and Mrs Gordon and Mrs Harris for their piano lessons. Their support and encouragement have helped our children to develop their skills and confidence as musicians.

Thank you also to our parents and families for joining us and celebrating the children's achievements. We are incredibly proud of all of the children who performed.

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EYFS - SCHOOL TRIP TO WOODSIDE FARM

Reception had a wonderful day at Woodside Farm this week! We were lucky enough to meet and stroke lots of friendly animals, including goats, donkeys, rabbits, guinea pigs, a Shetland pony and even a snake. One of the biggest highlights was riding on the tractor, which took us on two tours around the farm so we could see all of the animals and beautiful surroundings. We also visited the reptile area to meet some giant tortoises and other fascinating reptiles before enjoying rides on the merry-go-round and chair-o-planes, which were the perfect way to cool down in the warm weather. After all that excitement, everyone enjoyed a well-earned ice lolly and some time playing in the outdoor play area.

The children were an absolute credit to the school throughout the day. Farm staff commented on their excellent manners, positive attitudes and enthusiasm, and we were incredibly proud of them. It really was a lovely day and a fantastic way to end the week! Thank you to the STM PTA for funding this trip!

YEAR 4 - SCHOOL TRIP TO SERGE HILL

This week Year 4 greatly enjoyed their trip to Serge Hill - the only plant library in the UK. They had great fun taking part in a number of activities such as designing their dream garden, spending time in the lush and peaceful environment and learning about different plants and herbs that were used in the Tudor times and today.

OPAL RESOURCES REQUEST

We are continuing to develop our OPAL playtimes and would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted items from home.
If you have any of the following in good, safe condition, please consider bringing them in:

- **Buggies or doll pushchairs**
- **Action figures and small character toys**
- **Dress up items**
- **Suitcases**
- **Old electronics**
- **Laundry basket**

Thank you for your support in helping us enrich playtimes for all children.

Summer 2 REMINDERS:	**FOREST SCHOOL** Year 6	**SWIMMING** Year 5

Sacred Heart RC Church Youth Mass and Social - Our next Youth Mass and social is on Saturday 27th June at 5pm.
Everyone is welcome to the Mass and we would like to invite all those in Year 5 and above to come to both the Mass and social in the hall.
Look forward to seeing you there for pizza and games!!

Parish Summer BBQ and Buffet – Sunday 12th July from 12pm, Sacred Heart RC Church, Park Street, Berkhamsted, HP41HX.
This is a great opportunity to have a catch up before the summer holidays. Everyone is welcome!
Join us for an amazing family afternoon of great food, football and a bouncy castle! A bar will be available serving drinks (card payment only).
Adults (18+) £10.00, Children (5-17) £5.00, under 5's free.
Ticket sales close Monday 6th July at Noon.

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