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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 29th Nov 2024	Occasional Day - **School Closed**
Monday 2nd Dec 2024	Inset Day - **School Closed**
Tuesday 3rd Dec 2024	EYFS & Year 1 Panto - Search for Santa (in school)
Thursday 5th Dec 2024	Reception Class Tour (2025 Cohort) @ 10am
Thursday 5th Dec 2024	STMSA Wreath Making
Friday 6th Dec 2024	Christmas Music Concert @ 9am
Saturday 7th Dec 2024	STMSA Christmas Fair @ 2pm to 5pm
Sunday 8th Dec 2024	School Choir performing at St Albans Abbey
Monday 9th Dec 2024	Year 4, 5 & 6 Reconciliation
Monday 9th Dec 2024	Key Stage 1 Nativity Dress rehearsal @ 9:30am
Tuesday 10th Dec 2024	Key Stage 1 Nativity @ 9:30am
Wednesday 11th Dec 2024	Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Pantomime Trip
Wednesday 11th Dec 2024	EYFS Nativity Dress rehearsal @ 9:30am
Thursday 12th Dec 2024	EYFS Nativity @ 9:30am
Friday 13th Dec 2024	Year 4, 5 & 6 Reconciliation
Tuesday 17th Dec 2024	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert - Scared Heart Church @ 6pm
Wednesday 18th Dec 2024	Christmas Dinner Day / Christmas Jumpers
Friday 20th Dec 2024	End of Term - School finishes at 1:30pm
Sat 21st Dec 2024 - Sun 5th Jan 2025	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
Monday 6th Jan 2025	Inset Day - School Closed
Tuesday 7th Jan 2025	Inset Day - School Closed

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

CELEBRATION OF THE WORD

This week, we reflected on the feast of Christ the King as we reached the final Sunday of the Liturgical year before we enter into Advent. We know that Jesus came as a different type of king, to show us a new and better way to live, teaching us to be loving to one another. Help us to follow his example, particularly as we enter into the season of preparation, Advent.

THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

Today we said a great big thank you and goodbye to Mr Nichol, our school caretaker. We are very grateful for his support and friendship over the past 3 years and wish him all the best.

PRAYER AT HOME

This week's resource has been produced by Mr Hewitt and focuses on the First Week of Advent which we will celebrate at Mass this weekend. **Click here** to access it.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Please book your child's meal for our school Christmas dinner by **Thursday 5th December** using the following online form - **click here** to access the menu and order form.

STMSA NEWS

School Uniform and Cake Sale for Pond Restoration

Thank you to everyone who came to our popular uniform and cake sale. We have now reached the pond fundraising target and have been able to restore the pond! We look forward to children being able to use this outdoor learning resource again.

Wreath Making - Thursday 5th December

Thank you to everyone who has booked tickets for our wonderful wreath making evening. We look forward to welcoming you to this festive event.

Christmas Fair – Saturday 7th December 2-5pm

Festive Fun for all the family to enjoy featuring Santa's Grotto, Christmas crafts, fun with Science, Elfridges Gift Room, raffle, food & drink, festive stalls, face painting.

Thank you for your generosity supporting the fair by contributing lucky jars, hamper goodies, bottles and gifts for Elfridges. If you have any more items please do bring them in on Tuesday 3rd December along with any raffle ticket stubs.

Santa's Grotto and face painting can be booked online where you can also find the Christmas decorations the children have made in class.

We still have a few volunteer slots to fill. Please contact your class rep if you can help on your class stall.

Click here to pre-book slots for visits to Santa's Grotto and face painting on the day of the fair. All the details about the above can also be found on your class WhatsApp groups.