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MORE

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

MESSENGER

9.10.26

Learning to love, live and celebrate as we grow in the knowledge and love of Christ

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Friday 9th October

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Monday 12th October

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Wednesday 14th October

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Thursday 15th October

Monday 19th October

Tuesday 20th October

Friday 23rd October

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Friday 6th November

Tuesday 10th November

PTA Quiz and curry – doors open at 7pm and starts at 7:30pm

St Carlo Acutis Feast Day

Individual Photo Day – Winter Uniform

Year 3 Football Festival at Divine Saviour PM

Parent Consultations – virtual

Beast Mode event at Berkhamsted school for Years 3-6

Parent Consultations – virtual

Harvest Bring and Sing – parents are welcome 2pm

Learning Showcase – parents are welcome 3:20pm

Last Day of Autumn 1 Term 3:15pm

October Half term

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PTA Glow Party – after school

Reception Tour 9:15–10:15 AM – Doors open at 9AM

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

SCHOOL TARGET – 97%

THIS WEEK – 98.4%

THIS YEAR – 96.6%

STMSA

Save the Date!!!

Glow Party – Friday November 6th 3.30pm

Wreath Making – Thursday December 3rd @7pm

Christmas Crafternoon – Friday December 11th

Please keep hold of any unwanted gifts in preparation for Elfridges day in December.

VOLUNTEERS DAY

👉 Volunteer day on Saturday 7th November 👉

We're asking for parents, staff and governors to help improve the general look of the outside of the school and particularly the reception area ahead of the reception tours this year. We would appreciate any and all support, whether it's weeding, painting, or DIY! Please let the office know if you are able to help on the day so that the PTA can plan accordingly.

Thanks in advance!

PRAYER AT HOME

This week's resource can be found [here](#) to share with your families.



Find us on social media:

Instagram – [@stmorecps](#)

Facebook – [St Thomas More Catholic Primary School](#)

RECEPTION BOOK DONATIONS

Our Reception children love sharing Julia Donaldson stories, and we would love to grow our collection! If you have any books your children have outgrown or duplicate copies, we would be very grateful for any donations.

We already have The Gruffalo, The Snail and the Whale, Room on the Broom, Zog, The Smartest Giant in Town, The Highway Rat and The Gruffalo's Child, so we would particularly welcome other titles.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has donated so far. The children have loved exploring both familiar favourites and exciting new stories!

The Reception Team

DRAMA WORKSHOPS FOR RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

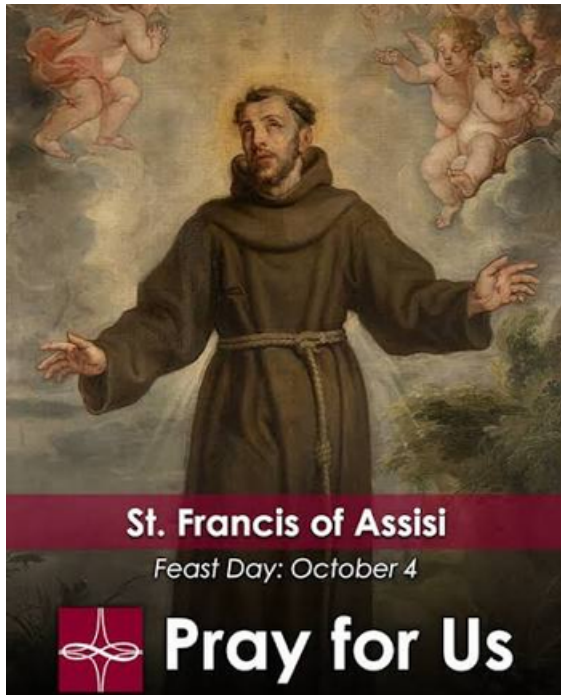


Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in an exciting drama workshop all about caring for our environment. The children explored how they could use their very own superhero powers to make a positive difference, with a particular focus on reducing, reusing and recycling. Through imaginative drama activities, they thought carefully about the small actions we can all take to protect our planet and had great fun bringing their environmental superheroes to life!

FOREST SCHOOL INFORMATION

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Week 1	WB 1st Sept NO Forest School	WB 2nd Nov Year 6	WB 4th Jan No Forest School	WB 22nd Feb Year 5	WB 12th April NO Forest School	WB 7th June Reception
Week 2	WB 7th Sept NO Forest School	WB 9th Nov Year 3	WB 11th Jan Year 6	WB 1st March Reception	WB 19th April Year 5	WB 14th June Year 2
Week 3	WB 14th Sept Year 2	WB 16th Nov Year 4	WB 18th Jan Year 1	WB 8th March Year 1	WB 26th April Year 6	WB 21st June Year 3
Week 4	WB 21st Sept Year 3	WB 23rd Nov Year 5	WB 25th Jan Year 2	WB 15th March Year 2	WB 3rd May BANK HOLIDAY NO Forest School	WB 28th June Year 4
Week 5	WB 28th Sept Year 4	WB 30th Nov Year 6	WB 1st Feb Year 3	WB 22nd March Year 4	WB 10th May Year 1	WB 5th July Year 5
Week 6	WB 5th Oct Year 5	WB 7th Dec Reception	WB 8th Feb Year 4		WB 17th May Year 2	WB 12th July Year 6
Week 7	WB 12th Oct Year 1	WB 14th Dec Year 1			WB 24th May Year 3	WB 19th July Reception
Week 8	WB 19th Oct Reception					

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI FEAST DAY ASSEMBLY



This week, we celebrated the Feast of St Francis of Assisi with a special liturgy led by some of our Friends in Faith and Callum from our Chaplaincy Team. The children shared the life of St Francis, reflecting on his example of kindness, peace, helping others and caring for God's creation. Through scripture, prayer and reflection, we were reminded of the small ways we can follow his example each day. We ended by singing My Lighthouse together, with Friends in Faith leading the actions. A huge well done to all the children involved for leading such a meaningful celebration with confidence and reverence!

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.



HARVESR DONATIONS



We look forward to welcoming families to our Harvest Bring and Sing on Monday 19th October at 9.00am. This year, we are once again supporting HOPE Foodbank at Kings Road Church in Berkhamsted, helping local families in need. We would be very grateful for any donations of food or essential toiletries, which can be brought into school from Monday 12th October. Please refer to the letter sent home for the full list of requested items. Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

HERTFORDSHIRE'S BIGGEST LIGHT TRAIL

'Twas the Night Before Christmas...

Step into a world of festive wonder and delight, as a timeless Christmas tale comes to life in light.

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Half Term Events

Sun 11th Oct - Sun 1st Nov

Pumpkin Hunt Trail

Hunt our gardens for pumpkins to win a prize!
Best for age 3 – 11. Pre-book or drop in. £3.15 per child.
Please note museum is closed Mondays & Saturdays.



Sun 25th Oct

Halloween Ghost Hunt

Come dressed up and ready to scare in this after-dark Halloween experience. With spooky crafts, biscuit decorating and ghoulish games.
Best for age 4 – 11. Pre-book. £7 per child.



Tue 27th & Wed 28th Oct

Discover & Make: Nature's Wind Chimes

Craft a natural wind chime using pine cones, feathers, twigs and twine. Best for age 4 – 11.
Pre-book. £4.50 per child.



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Are you a dad and feel like you are constantly nagging at your child to get what you need?

The sessions will cover:

- Exploring what helpful discipline is.
- Recognising the triggers and responding more effectively.
- Learning new parenting tools to challenge children's behaviour
- How to negotiate and implement effective boundaries and family agreements
- How to hold boundaries and gain co-operation

Wednesday 4th November to 9th December 2026

7.00pm to 9.00pm

Online via MS Teams

To book your place, call Lesley on 0204 522 8701, email services@coramfamilylives.org.uk or scan our QR code to use our online referral form



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DENS SLEEP OUT

JUST ONE NIGHT CAN CHANGE SOMEONE'S FUTURE

FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
THE DOCK, KINGS LANGLEY

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