

# St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School



Friday, 28th March 2025



# This week's Gospel

"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion and ran and embraced him and kissed him."

Luke 15:11-32

# A message from Mrs Rawlinson



As this Sunday is Mothers' Day, I would like to wish all our mums, stepmums, grans, grannies, grandmas and special women in our lives a very happy Mothers' Day!

"She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue."

Proverbs.

Well done to all our children in EYFS who presented a very special Mothers' Day assembly today. They were amazing throughout and brought a tear to many an eye! Well done to you all.

#### Year 6 Residential

It looks like Year 6 are in for some nice sunny weather next week for their residential.

They will be travelling to the Conway Centre on Anglesey on Wednesday and staying until Friday.

Whilst there, they will be taking part in outdoor activities such as climbing, high ropes, kayaking, stand up paddleboarding to name but a few. We wish them a very happy and exciting time away and look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

## Year 4 Sacramental Workshop

Year 4 children will be completing the final workshop on Monday, 7th April at 5.00pm in the school hall. This completes the workshops and the final part of the programme will be Family Mass on Wednesday, 23rd April at 6pm in church.

A letter about the organisation of first Holy Communion Day will be sent out soon.

Thankyou .

## **Celebration of the Word and Personal development assemblies**

Our theme for next week's worship will be 'forgiveness' and what that means for us during Lent.

Our theme for the personal development assembly is 'what makes a community?'

# **Easter Bingo**

A massive thank you for all the Easter egg and chocolate donations received today.

All donations are very much appreciated and will go towards the prizes at the PTFA Easter Bingo fundraiser which is being held on Thursday, 10th April in the school hall.

The Easter Bingo is now full and therefore we are unable to take any further ticket requests.

#### **Summer Uniform**

With the weather predicted to be warming up next week, we are happy for children to come to school in their summer uniform if preferred.

Please remember to put sun cream on your child before school and bring a sun hat/cap for break and lunchtime play.

Thank you.

#### School Meals /SchoolGrid

A polite reminder that school meals are to be pre-ordered and paid for using the SchoolGrid platform. It is important for meals to be pre-ordered to reduce waste and to ensure your child receives their preferred option.

Click below to watch a short presentation on the new system and how it works.

SchoolGrid - Parent Introduction

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We still have 30 hour and 15 hour funded places available in our Nursery for September 2025

for children who turn three before

#### 31st August 2025.

If you would like any further information regarding nursery places, funding entitlements or to pick up application forms, please contact the school office on telephone

number

01744 621380

## **Polite Reminder**

Please do not allow children to play on the school playground equipment when picking up at the end of the day or from out of hours club or when dropping off in the morning.

Thank you.

# **End of spring term**

Please be aware that the last day of the spring term is Friday, 11th April 2025

Children will finish school at 1.30pm.

Please note there will be no after school club on this day.

Thank you.

#### **Important Dates for your Diary**

#### <u>April</u>

2nd - Y6 Residential (The Conway Centre) leave at 10am

4th - Y6 return from Residential

7th - Y4 Sacramental Workshop 4 - (5pm School Hall)

10th - Talent Show (organized by Mini Vinnies)

10th - PTFA Easter Bingo (doors open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start)

11th - Stations of the Cross Mass in Church (11am)

11th - end of Spring term (school closes for Easter at 1.30pm)

22nd - INSET Day

23rd - Start of Summer Term (school open at 8.40am to 8.50am)

### Attendance and punctuality at school

Attendance and punctuality at school is not just for the academic progress your child will make, but is also important for developing personal qualities too, such as:

- ♦ Friendships
- ♦ Social skills
- Team and school values
- Cultural awareness
- ♦ Life skills etc



# <u>Lateness</u>

We kindly remind parents and carers about the importance of ensuring children arrive at school on time. Arriving late not only disrupts the start of your child's day but also impacts the learning of their classmates. The morning routine sets the tone for the day, and being on time helps children settle, engage with their peers, and begin lessons without stress or distraction. Please aim to have your child at school by 8.40-8.45am, ready to start their day.

Thank you for your cooperation in supporting a positive learning environment for everyone!

# **Attendance**

For week ending Friday, 28th March 2025 the whole school attendance is 97.1%

Reception = 97.04%

Year 1 = 97.78%

Year 2 = 94.07%

Year 3 = 95.02%

Year 4 = 98.57%

Year 5 = 99.28%

Year 6 = 97.78%