



# Saint Thomas More Catholic Voluntary Academy



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**Love one Another as I have Loved You**  
**John 13:34**

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16<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and I hope you all managed to have a relaxing Easter holiday. The children have come back to school very positively, the sun is shining and we can't wait to celebrate all of the wonderful achievements over our Pentecost term.

Our school week starts with a whole school collective worship on Monday morning. Previously this would have been based on the weekly statement to live by, however from this term we are now focussing each week on the Extra-Ordo-Nary theme. These are the themes for the next half term:

- Week 1- (this week) Evangelise
- Week 2-Faith
- Week 3 Vocation
- Week 4 Missionary discipleship
- Week 5- Witness
- Week 6- Example
- Week 7- Pentecost

## The Big Pedal



Get set... we're taking part in Sustrans Big Pedal 2021, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge in our school runs from Monday 19th April to Friday 23rd April 2021.

Although all 5 days will count as entries to the prize draws, we appreciate when parents are working it's not always easy to leave the car at home and come to school on foot. With this in mind we are asking that as many children as possible arrive at school on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April by foot, scooter or Bike.** This might mean that you park the car up several streets away and complete the rest of the journey by walking, scooter or bike – whatever you can manage it all counts. It's free and we would love everyone to be involved.

## **What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to take active journeys to school on as many days as possible during the event, and join them on their way.

Or, if your child(ren) are learning from home, take active journeys from home with them or encourage them to do physical activity on as many days as possible instead.





**Cycle, walk, scoot and snap to win family prizes from Sustrans**

As well as prizes given out by our School, You and your family can also win prizes from the Sustrans Big Pedal team. Simply post a photo of you and your child(ren) cycling, walking, wheeling or scooting to school on social media during the challenge using #BigPedalWin.

To be in with a chance of winning, you'll need to follow Sustrans on Instagram [instagram.com/sustrans](https://www.instagram.com/sustrans), Twitter [twitter.com/sustrans](https://twitter.com/sustrans) or Facebook [facebook.com/Sustrans](https://facebook.com/Sustrans).

Be sure to check the terms and conditions found on the Big Pedal website prior to entering the competition.

**Individual photographs**

This will be in school on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

**If your child has PE on this day please send them to school in UNIFORM**

**Communication**

Parents must not come into school or onto the playground. If you need to speak to a teacher or the office please call on 0116 2706365 or e-mail on [office@st-thomasmore.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-thomasmore.leicester.sch.uk). Alternatively use the class dojo to message the class teacher.

**Covid symptoms**

**DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL IF THEY OR ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS.**

Please remember if a sibling has been sent home from school with a positive test result the whole family will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Please inform school using the [testing@st-thomasmore.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:testing@st-thomasmore.leicester.sch.uk) e-mail and class dojo.

**Smile**

Thank you for your kind words for the staff. The google form is still open if you would like to send a message to any member of staff at STM:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=bdE15ePYJ02rw1J4wx5\\_OWbuJKysMy5JnFG6ssIBW31URVJTOFgxVFRHTEIBMFE0TzNFTzBUVllwSy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=bdE15ePYJ02rw1J4wx5_OWbuJKysMy5JnFG6ssIBW31URVJTOFgxVFRHTEIBMFE0TzNFTzBUVllwSy4u)

God bless,

Mrs Crosse

**Dates for the diary:**

Week beginning 26 <sup>th</sup> April and 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 6 Bike ability
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bank holiday
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 activities day
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Finish for half term