



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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9th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all managed to have a lovely half term. It is great to be back at school and the children have come back very settled and happy, I think the sunshine has helped!

Each week we focus on a special word linked to the Extra-ordo-nary calendar from the NDCYS. For the next 5 weeks our words are:

- Knowledge
- Understanding
- Wisdom
- Decisions
- Courage

Attendance matters

A reminder to everyone to keep your child's attendance high for the last half term. It is really important for children to attend school regularly and arrive on time.

Research shows that the children who have the highest levels of attendance throughout their time at school make the most progress, achieve the best results and have wider choices when it comes to career opportunities.

Hot weather

Please send your child to school with a filled water bottle and hat. Ideally please apply a 'once a day sun cream' in the morning, however if children do bring sun cream to school it must be labelled with their name and children must be able to apply this independently. Please make sure children wear school shoes and not open toe sandals.

Covid update

I am sure you are all keen for the 21st June and for normality to return. For us as a school community, government advice has not changed nor has CMAT guidance and while we hope and pray for the guidance to say we can change our restrictions, at present there is no change. We will keep you updated with any changes and any implications for next academic year.

We are making plans for events and activities during this half term but they are all subject to change.

Assessments

As you are probably aware all statutory national curriculum assessments for the summer have been cancelled. However, we will be using any assessments completed in school to inform our teacher assessments. We are choosing to complete the optional multiplication check for all Year 4 children from Monday 14th June.





School dinners

Our new menu has been very well received by the children this week.

They have loved trying the new healthy meals and puddings. Thank you to the parents who have been pre-ordering the food on parent pay, please continue to do this and if you need any support please call the school office.

Afterschool club

Please make sure you complete the google form if you need our afterschool club for the new academic year by Midday Friday 18th June.

<https://forms.office.com/r/zWAckKXRuZ>

Internet safety

It has been brought to our attention that younger children are playing Fortnite and discussing some inappropriate things in school, this has caused some worry among other children. Please be aware that Fortnite has an age rating of 12 years old. Further information can be found here:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/parents-guide-fortnite-battle-royale>

Term dates

Please find information about the consultation for term dates from Leicester City and Leicestershire

Leicester City Council

<https://consultations.leicester.gov.uk/sce/termdates/>

Leicestershire County Council

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/have-your-say/current-consultations/have-your-say-on-school-term-time-dates>

The closing dates for both consultations is midnight on Sunday 18th July.

Polite reminder

All parents that have any outstanding debts for breakfast club and school dinners must be paid in full by the end of this academic year. If you have any problems with this please call the school office to discuss.

God bless,
Mrs Crosse

Dates for the diary:

Friday 25th June- Non-uniform day £1- Carnival day!

Monday 28th June- Sports day (no spectators)

Friday 2nd July- Year 6 movie night

Monday 5th July- F2 and Year 1 trip to the farm / 6pm Leavers mass for Year 6

Tuesday 6th July- Year 6 Talent show in school

Wednesday 7th July – Reports sent to parents and letter about new classes

Thursday 8th July- Meet new teacher session in school

Friday 9th July- Last day of term