

# St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

30th January 2026



## HEADLINE NEWS

Letters have been sent home tonight asking parents to book their preference for our next Progress Meetings.

The date for your diary is Wednesday 11th February and we ask that you return the slip requesting your slot asap. We will try to accommodate you as much as possible and will allocate on a first come, first served basis.

Please make the most of this opportunity to speak to the class teachers with any questions you may have about your child's behaviour or academic progress.

## YEAR 4 COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

An important date for your diary if you are a Y4 parent, the class will be holding their collective worship on Tuesday 3rd February at 2.30pm. The theme is based around our current term's Christian Value of 'Service'.

## FIRE ENGINE IN THE ANNEXE

The Reception children had a wonderful time when the fire fighters came to visit this morning with their fire engine. The children learned about fire safety and the equipment used. They loved using the fire hose!

## YEAR 3 TRIP TO OLDHAM GALLERY

On Monday, Year 3 will be visiting Gallery Oldham as a linking project activity with Roundthorn Primary. They will have a fun day.

The visit will be within the normal school day and packed lunches will be provided to those on school dinners. Packed lunches from home need to be in disposable containers.

## School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 95.6%. The class with the best Attendance is Year 2 with 98.1%.



## PUPIL PLACES

We currently have some spaces in our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes. If you know of anyone who is looking for a school place, please tell them to get in touch.

## MUSIC FEES

Please pay any overdue fees.

## NEW LUNCH MENU

Dinners are charged at £2.80 a day to Y3-6 unless you qualify for means tested free school meals. If you are on a low income have a look on Oldham MBC 's website or ring 0161 770 3000 to see if you qualify.

We require two weeks notice to swap to or from dinners.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY THIS HALF-TERM

### February

- 3rd: Y4 Collective Worship for parents 2.30pm
- 11th: Progress Meetings 1.30-7pm
- 13th: Young Voices Concert (choir)
- 16th—20th: Spring Half-term

## TOM CATS B&A SCHOOL CLUB

Don't forget we offer our very own on site wraparound club, Tom Cats from 7.30am-5.45pm. You can just book an odd day or a regular slot. Find it on your School Gateway App. £7.00 after school, £5 before.

School staff provide relaxing and stimulating play for the children with snacks and drinks.

We have a very flexible booking system which allows you to book onto club up to half an hour before it starts and you can also cancel a booking up to half an hour before by swiping on the app. Unfortunately if you have not managed to cancel in this time, you will still have to pay for a booked session even if you no longer want the place.

In an emergency after the cut off, you can leave a message on Tom Cat's / Mr Hill's phone 0161 770 7410. He can add you to the register manually for a maximum of one session as this will put a debit on your account which must be cleared the same day. Otherwise all bookings must be made in advance. This is important for managing staffing requirements for the session.

## ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: SERVICE

**This term our focus is on the Christian value 'Service'**



*Service is love in action, every small act of kindness plants a seed that can grow into something beautiful, nurturing hearts and fostering a sense of belonging in a world that often feel disconnected.*

*When we choose to serve others, we create ripples of hope, compassion and connection that reach far beyond what we can see, touching lives we may never know and inspiring changes in ways we cannot measure.*

## EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS: SPRING 1

Permission slips are available at the office and must be returned.

After school clubs finish at 4.15pm unless otherwise stated.

### ♦ MONDAYS

Garden Gang: Please note that this club has finished for the half-term due to weather.

### Y5&6 Fine Art Club (invite only)

Mrs Douglas is running her art club for talented artists every week. Invite only.

### ♦ TUESDAYS

Reception, Y1, Y2 Craft Club —NOW FULL

Club held in the Annexe. Maximum of 15.

### Y6 Books & Biscuits Club (invite only)

This club is a small reading group designed to promote reading for pleasure and is by invite only.

### ♦ THURSDAYS

Y3&4 Blooket Club—NOW FULL

This is a computer programme quiz club.

Choir: Lunchtime

Miss Lawton holds choir practice every week. This is offered to Y3-6 children.

## ACHIEVEMENT COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Don't forget we still hold collective worship every Friday at 2.30 at which families are welcome to join us. It is a lovely end to the week as we celebrate our achievements.

If your child is receiving a certificate or award, the class teachers will notify you in advance of the assembly where possible so that you may come and join the celebration.

**To Be The Best We  
Can In The Sight Of God**

