

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

27th February 2026



HEADLINE NEWS

Welcome back to school. We are looking forward to the term ahead and the lighter nights. This term there are lots of extra tuition clubs after school. If your child has been invited to one, please support their learning by making sure they can attend.

Next **Thursday**, we will be celebrating **World Book Day**. This is a nationwide event and is a way to encourage children all over the country to read more. Reading fires the imagination, improves literacy and broadens vocabulary. It is also time spent away from computer/phone screens.

This year we are celebrating WBD with a whole-school focus on the beautiful book, 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers and in order to bring the theme of the book to life, we are encouraging the children to dress-up as part of our wonderful world.

We ask all the children to come to school dressed up as a part of our natural world. It can be as easy as just wearing green! See flyers handed out before half-term or on our website.

YOUNG VOICES

Well done to our choir children who attended this event at the Co-op Arena on the last day of last term. It was an amazing event as usual and Miss Lawton said that our children genuinely 'stood out from the crowd'!

YEAR 3 SWIMMING

A reminder that Y3 now go swimming every Tuesday. Please make sure you have your costume and towel every week.

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 94.8%. The class with the best Attendance is Reception with 95.7%



YEAR 3 COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Next Tuesday Year 3 will be presenting their Collective Worship for parents and friends on Tuesday in the hall at 2.30pm. The theme is 'Forgiveness' and they will be performing 'The Detective Dog' by Julia Donaldson.

YEAR 5&6 PUBERTY SESSIONS

Well done to the children in Year 5 & 6 who were visited by School Nurses this week. They behaved very maturely as they learned what to expect in the coming years as they reach puberty.

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK 9-13th MARCH

We will soon be celebrating British Science Week and as part of our activities, the school kitchen will be making a special themed lunch on Thursday 12th. The theme is 'Curiosity' and the choices include:

'Eat the Rainbow' - cream cheese or ham wrap with rainbow veggies.

'Build Your Own Pasta' - different sauces, proteins & veggies.

'Solar System Cookies' - icing and sprinkles.

Children on school dinners will receive this themed lunch. Anyone on packed lunches can join by paying £2.80 on School Gateway under 'British Science Week School Meal'.

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS & PE DAYS

The teachers have asked to remind all parents and children that we have high expectations with our smart uniform.

The children should have a tie on with their uniform and socks should be grey, black or white. Long hair needs to be tied up for hygiene and safety.

On PE days the jumper is a round neck sweatshirt and the children need proper supportive trainers, not pumps or converse.

Here is a reminder of your child's PE days when full PE kit should be worn.

Reception: Thursday

Year 1: Wednesday & Friday

Year 2: Monday & Friday

Year 3: Tuesday & Friday

Year 4: Monday & Thursday

Year 5: Monday & Wednesday

Year 6: Tuesday & Friday

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: SERVICE

This term our focus is on the Christian value 'Forgiveness'



"Try to understand other people. Forgive each other.....This is the way the Lord forgave you." - Colossians 3:13.

Forgiveness doesn't mean saying that someone's bad behaviour is okay. Instead, it means choosing to let go of the upset and handing it over to God.

Forgiveness is a choice, not just a feeling. When we forgive, we make room in our hearts for kindness, peace, and a fresh start.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS: SPRING 2

Permission slips are available at the office and must be returned. After school clubs finish at 4.15pm unless otherwise stated.

♦ MONDAYS

GARDEN GANG (Full)

♦ WEDNESDAYS

Y3-6 LUNCHTIME RUNNING CLUB

Keep fit at lunchtime. Wear PE kits all day. Complete a permission slip. Starts after hols.

♦ THURSDAYS

LEGO CLUB (INVITE ONLY) Infants

Choir: Lunchtime

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

Lots of classes are also running extra tuition clubs by invite. Letters went out last term.

HOME LEARNING

Don't forget to check out your child's 'Class Page' on the website. Here you will find all the details of what they are learning this half-term, as well as suggested Home Learning tasks to compliment the learning that happens in school.

Remember to write this in your child's planner—we love hearing what you have been working on together and the children will be rewarded with House Points too.

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

