

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

20th March 2026



HEADLINE NEWS

We would like to wish all our Muslim families a Happy Eid. We hope you enjoy your festivities over the weekend. Thank you for completing the absence permission forms which will enable us to know which children we can expect in school.

Next week is our last week before the holidays and we start the week with our whole school **Easter Service in the school hall at 2.15pm.**

Parents and families are welcome to join us for the service led by Reverend Kirsten Stott.

We finish next week for our Easter holidays on Friday 27th March and return on Monday 13th for the start of the Summer term. Looking forward to some longer days and sunshine.

STAFFING NEWS

You will recall that earlier in the year, we informed you that Mr Bunn will be leaving us over Easter to join his new school as Headteacher at Knowsley. We wish him all the best in his new role and we will miss him.

We can now tell you that we are really pleased to have appointed Miss Lawton as our new Assistant Headteacher. We are sure that she is the right choice to help lead our school alongside Mr Whittaker over the coming years.

A letter has been sent out to parents of children who will be affected by teacher changes next term informing you of plans put in place for the last term of the year.

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 90.9%. The class with the best Attendance is Reception with 97.4%.



YEAR 6 EASTER EXPERIENCE

Next Wednesday, Year 6 will visit St John the Baptist Hey Church, in Lees for an Easter Experience. They will be learning about the Easter story.

DLP CIRCUIT TRAINING

Some children in Year 5 & 6 went to St Agnes this week to undertake some Circuit Training activities with our friends up the road. We hope they enjoyed the experience.

SCHOOL COUNCIL LITTER PICK

Today, Mr Whittaker, Mrs Bishop and the School Council, joined Mrs Jakeman from LSG Litter Heroes to walk around the local area, picking up litter.

This activity is regularly performed by the LSG Litter Heroes. Look out for the posters on our Community Noticeboards for dates to join them anytime, serving your community and keeping our neighbourhood clean and tidy.

YEAR 4 TUDOR PROJECT

The children in Year 4 are enjoying studying the Tudors this term and are tasked with the challenge of building their own model Tudor Houses. This is a very popular project with some children and we see some amazing designs.

LSG BUSINESS HUB

Have you coloured your Easter Bonnet yet? If your child enjoys colouring and being creative, they can colour in the Easter Bonnet and return it to Lees Library by Wednesday 25th March ready to go up in local businesses for Easter. Put your name and school on the back.

Happy colouring!

SPACES IN SCHOOL

Please note we have spaces for new pupils in some classes as follows:

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 4.

YEAR 3 SWIMMING

Please note that swimming continues after the holidays every Tuesday and we leave school at 5 to 9 promptly. Please make sure your children are on time for school.

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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



"Forgiveness is above all a personal choice, a decision of the heart to go against instinct to pay back evil with evil."

Pope John Paul II.

Forgiveness is a choice we make with our hearts, even when it feels easier to be unkind back.

When we choose to forgive, we give ourselves and others a fresh start. It helps our friendships grow stronger and keeps our school community kind.

This week, let's encourage one another to choose the kinder way.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS: SUMMER 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 (Full) - continues next term

♦ TUESDAYS

New Club*: Y4,5,6 ROUNDERS—sports club with Mrs Bishop and Mrs Fountain. Wear PE kits all day. Complete a form at Main Entrance. Limited spaces.

New Club*: Y3&4 RUGBY—sports club with Mr Wood and Mrs Douglas. Wear PE kits all day and will need to bring field boots. Complete a form at Main Entrance. Limited spaces.

♦ WEDNESDAYS

Y3-6 LUNCHTIME RUNNING CLUB (Full) - continues next term

Keep fit at lunchtime. Wear PE kits all day.

♦ THURSDAYS

LEGO CLUB (INVITE ONLY) - finishes next week.

Choir: Lunchtime

Choir is not currently running.

TOM CATS BEFORE & AFTER 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 for after school, £5.00 for before school.

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

You can book or cancel a booking up to half an hour before by swiping on the app.

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

