

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

27th March 2026



HEADLINE NEWS

We would like to start this newsletter with some excellent news. We are pleased to tell you that Mrs Whitehead is having a baby. We are even more pleased to tell you that she has been very considerate and is due to give birth in the summer holidays! We are sure you will join us in congratulating her and her husband in their fantastic news.

Unfortunately we have to follow this with the sad news that we have today said our goodbyes to the lovely Mr Bunn. He leaves us today to take up his Headteacher post at Knowsley Junior School. We wish him all the best in his new and challenging role and are sure we will keep in touch with him professionally and as a friend.

We break up today for Easter and will see you again on Monday 13th April for the Summer Term. We hope you all enjoy your family time.

EASTER SERVICES

On Monday, the whole school celebrated the meaning of Easter and local community.

Reverend Kirsten read the Easter story from 3 different bibles, starting with Palm Sunday, all the way to Easter Sunday.

They finished by listening to some thoughtful Year 6 prayers about Easter. Thanking God for hope, love, forgiveness and the joy of new beginnings.

On Wednesday, the whole school enjoyed Mrs Butt's Groundbreaker's Collective Worship. She began by asking the question, 'When we are given a gift, are we thankful, even if it isn't what we wanted?'.

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 91.8%. The class with the best Attendance is Reception again with 97.4%.



YEAR 6 EASTER EXPERIENCE

On Wednesday morning, Year 6 went to St John the Baptist Hey Church in Lees for an Easter Experience with Rev Kirsten.

They enjoyed visiting different stations, all representing a different part of the Easter story, e.g. Palm Sunday and The Last Supper. They were given chocolate eggs, grapes and bread as part of the experience.

YEAR 4 TUDOR PROJECT

The children in Year 4 have impressed their teachers with amazing models and pictures of Tudor Houses. They have learnt lots of interesting facts and information about the period. Well done!

YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIES

A letter has gone out to our Year 6 children giving them the opportunity to buy a special edition 2026 Year 6 Leavers Hoodie. Payment can be made on the School Gateway App.

COMMUNITY WARDROBE EASTER EGGS

All the children have come home today with a chocolate egg courtesy of our friends at the Community Wardrobe in Lees.

We are very grateful to them for this treat and hope you enjoy them over Easter.

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.

PARENT AND FAMILY DONATIONS

We have had a very kind donation of £100 of Pan Macmillan books from Layla's uncle this week! We are very grateful for his generosity. Some of the books have gone into the school library and some in the topic trunks.

We do receive donations from time to time from our families and friends in school and we appreciate the kindness.

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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



"Father forgive them for they know not what they do." Luke 23:34.

Jesus was showing His loving and merciful heart on the cross. This doesn't mean that everyone is automatically forgiven, but it shows that Jesus was **ready to forgive anyone who turns to Him with a sorry and truthful heart**—that's what repentance means.

As we think about Resurrection Sunday, as God, Jesus offers everyone forgiveness when we choose to turn to Him with our whole heart.

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*: Y3,4,5,6 ROUNDEERS—sports club with Mrs Bishop and Mrs Fountain. Wear PE kits all day. Complete a form at Main Entrance. Limited spaces. **Now open to Y3!**

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**

