

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

22nd May 2026



HEADLINE NEWS

We have made it to the Summer half-term break. The children have worked hard this term, with some assessments/tests complete and some still to do.

We break up today for two weeks and return on Monday 8th June. We hope you enjoy the break and maybe a getaway in the second week which is our flexi week and not a national school holiday.

The children have finished off the term today with some fun and 'Always' treats.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE DAY Y1-6

The children had a great day on Wednesday which was 'Ultimate Frisbee Day' courtesy of Oldham Sports Development.

Unfortunately the weather was not suitable for going on the field and instead we had to go with the alternative, 'Glow in the Dark Dodgeball' which they absolutely loved. A great day despite the weather.

COMMUNITY WARDROBE UNIFORM

Thank you to Community Wardrobe who held a free giveaway of uniform, clothes, (new and pre-loved), and other essential household items to parents from our local area on Wednesday morning.

These items are donated from businesses to give support to our families. Look out for further dates.

Y4 MULTIPLICATION TESTS

A letter is coming out tonight to Y4 parents regarding these tests.

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 93%. The class with the best Attendance is Y1 with 100%. Wow-Well done!



PHONICS SCREENING CHECKS

Year 1 pupils will be completing their Phonics Screening checks during the first week back after the holidays, (w/c 8th June). This will also apply to any Year 2 pupils who are re-taking the check from last year.

If you have any questions about the checks, please speak to your child's class teacher, who will be more than happy to help.

LINKING PROJECT

On Thursday, Year 5 had a brilliant day at Castleshaw with their friends from Roundthorn School. They enjoyed some new experiences, such as den building, scavenger hunts and played games including 'Swamp' and 'Prison Break'.

Back in school, Year 3 met with their counterparts from Roundthorn School for their Interfaith Forum. They welcomed Roman Catholic Priest, Father Phil and Imam Molana Akmal who talked to the children about the links and similarities between Christianity and Islam.

The children made 'Kindness Trees' and lanterns which they took across to our church and looked at how light is a symbol of hope and guidance for us all.

Staff from both year groups wanted to congratulate our children for their excellent behaviour representing St Thomas'.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: SUMMER

JUNE:

- 16th Tues: Y1 Collective worship @ 2.30
- 30th Tues: Y2 trip to Uppermill—letter coming out tonight.

JULY:

- 1st Wed: Y6 Cathedral & Bowling
- 2nd Thurs: Y3&4 Smithills Farm
- 2nd Thurs: Y6 Transition Day
- 8th Wed: Move-up Morning
- 14th Tues: Rec Collective Worship @ 2.30
- 16th Thurs: R&Y1 to Sealife Blackpool

DLP PARK RUN

On Sunday 28th June, our children and families are invited to participate in the Oldham Junior Park Run, at Alexandra Park. This is not a school-run event, but we are encouraging as many families to participate as possible, promoting quality time together with a fun, healthy activity. See poster.

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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



"The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper." Proverbs 19:8

God shows us that loving ourselves is exciting because we get to discover His amazing wisdom in the Bible. When we follow His wisdom, we make brilliant choices that keep us safe, strong, and full of joy.

Every day is an adventure where choosing God's way helps us grow, shine, and become the very best version of ourselves.

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)

♦ TUESDAYS

Y3,4,5,6 ROUNDEERS—(FULL) sports club with Mrs Bishop and Mrs Fountain. Wear PE kits all day. **NOW FINISHED.**

Y3&4 RUGBY—(FULL) sports club with Mr Wood and Mrs Douglas. Wear PE kits all day and will need to bring field boots. **NOW FINISHED.**

♦ WEDNESDAYS

Y3-6 LUNCHTIME RUNNING CLUB (Full) -

Keep fit at lunchtime. Wear PE kits all day.

♦ THURSDAYS

Y3-6 CHOIR: LUNCHTIME CLUB

Choir is back up and running. Get practicing your vocal exercises. If you were in choir already, you can attend. New enquires to Miss Lawton. Slips not required.

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**

