

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

26th June 2026



HEADLINE NEWS



Well done to all our children, staff and families who have made it through this week of extreme heat to come to school every day. It hasn't been easy for any of us and the staff have done all they can to keep the children cool with fans, drinks of fresh water and sprays of water. Luckily it looks as if next week it will cool down.

A reminder to parents, if your child is not in school, please make sure you ring and leave a message or send a text on School Gateway to let us know your reason for absence.

SUMMER FAIR: WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY

Next Wednesday straight after school, we will be holding our annual Summer Fair. The stalls on offer this year include the Bottle and Chocolate Tombola, the café, Splat the Teacher, Penalty Shoot-out, Netball and the Lucky Dip. Community Wardrobe will also be there with uniform and clothing to give away.

If you have any unwanted toys or gifts, we would love to have them, please send them into class on Monday.

Please line up at the allocated area once you have your child. Entry is £1 and will start once all the children have been picked up. Bring plenty of change as we have very little in school.

The fair finishes at 5pm.

BRASS/GUITAR LESSONS Y2-6

A letter has gone out tonight in bookbags asking for any interest in taking private music lessons in school run by the Music Centre. Please reply if you are interested for next year.

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 91%. The class with the best Attendance is Year 6 with 98%.



DLP SPELLING BEE

Well done to Imogen in Year 6 who won the DLP Spelling Bee this week. We are very proud of you and thrilled to be the winning school in all the DLP.

Y5 ARTIST VISIT

Year 5 were joined by the artist, Claire Mathers, on Wednesday, and they spent the day creating, sewing and decorating their own bags. The children loved it and you can check out the website for pictures.

ONLINE SAFETY

Year 5&6 had an Online Safety talk from the Oldham Council Safeguarding Team this week. The talk advised them on how to stay safe on the internet and the rules around social media, with the positives and the pitfalls that come with our digital age. Ask your children what they learned-they may know more than you!

FREE UNIFORM

A pre-loved uniform rail will be outside the main entrance before and after school every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for you to take what you need. This is for any of our families and if anyone has uniform they no longer need in good condition, please wash it and bring it to add to the rail. Re-using and recycling!

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.

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

DLP PARK RUN

On Sunday 28th June, our children and families are invited to participate in the Oldham Junior Park Run, at Alexandra Park. The event begins at 9am. It is not a school event, we are just promoting the health and wellbeing of our families, and school staff will not be present. If you are interested in participating, you can register via the link:

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/>

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

This term our focus is on the Christian value 'Peace'.

"Peace begins with a smile."

Mother Teresa emphasizes that small acts of kindness can foster harmony in the world. A simple smile can brighten someone's day and help make our school a warm and welcoming place. By showing kindness in small ways, we can help everyone feel happy, safe, and valued. Let's remember that even the smallest acts can make a big difference!

Lord, thank you for the smile you have given to me. Help me to use my smile to bring Your peace to others around me, in Jesus name, Amen.



EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS: SUMMER 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 (Full) -

Keep fit at lunchtime. Wear PE kits all day.

♦ THURSDAYS

Y3-6 CHOIR: LUNCHTIME CLUB

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: SUMMER

JUNE:

- 30th Tues: Y2 trip to Uppermill

JULY:

- 1st Wed: Summer Fair
- 1st Wed: Y6 Cathedral & Bowling
- 2nd Thurs: Y3&4 Smithills Farm
- 2nd Thurs: Y6 Transition Day
- 8th Wed: Move-up Morning
- 9th Thurs: Y5 Robinwood Parent meeting @ 3.30pm
- 10th Friday: Reports out
- 14th Tues: Rec Collective Worship @ 2.30
- 15th Wed: Sports Day
- 16th Thurs: Y6 Prom 5-7pm
- 16th Thurs: R&Y1 to Sealife Blackpool
- 22nd Wed: Progress & Attendance Awards—invite only
- 23rd Thurs: Leavers' Service—Y6 families



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

