

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

3rd July 2026



HEADLINE NEWS



All the fun of the fair! What a great afternoon we had and the sun continued to shine. Thank you for your donations and support at this great fundraising event. We have raised £800 and still counting.

STAFFING FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

The classes will be staffed as follows:

Reception: **Mrs Birtles**, Miss Cooper, Miss Price, Miss Wall

Y1: **Mrs Schofield**, **Miss Bamber**, Mrs Bishop, Miss Perrins

Y2: **Miss Lawton**, Miss Birtles, Miss Stoneman

Y3: **Miss Howard**, Mrs Wilkinson, Mr Hill

Y4: **Mrs Austin**, Mrs Fountain

Y5: **Miss Grattidge**, Mrs Roddy, Mr Hill

Y6: **Miss Blyden**, Mrs Douglas, Mr Wildhood

Mr Wood will continue to teach across the school, providing PPA cover. We welcome Mrs Birtles, our new Reception teacher, who joins with many years experience leading Early Years provision. We welcome back Miss Bamber and Miss Perrins from maternity leave, whilst Mrs Whitehead will leave us to have her baby. We wish her the best of luck! The children will meet their new teachers next Wednesday for Move-Up Morning.

WORLD CUP: ENGLAND GAME ON MONDAY

In the early hours of Monday morning, England will play their next game at the World Cup. We know how keen some of our children will be to watch the game despite the difficult kick-off time.

School attendance this week



Our whole school attendance this week is 94.9%. The class with the best Attendance is Year 4 with 98.6%.

We have decided that we will show the game in school from 9am so that the children can cheer England on without losing out on their sleep. It would be brilliant if parents tried to keep the score a secret so they can enjoy the full experience of the big game. Come on England!

WHOLE SCHOOL CRICKET DAY: WEDNESDAY

Next **Wednesday** we welcome Lancashire County Cricket Club into school and they will be giving taster sessions to all the classes. Please can all children **come in PE kits**.

BRASS/GUITAR LESSONS Y2-6

A reminder to please return the form if your child wishes to continue / start music lessons in September. The form was given out last week. Ask at the office.

ART DAY FRIDAY 10TH JULY

Next **Friday** the children can come to school **dressed as artists** as we will be joined by a local artist and will spend the day using clay, paints, glue and lots more. We suggest they wear oversized old shirts etc. Please don't spend money as they will get messy.

Parents are invited to come into school at the end of the day to look at the children's art work. Please collect your children and come around to the front entrance.

Y2 TRIP TO UPPERMILL

The children had a wonderful time enjoying the natural beauty of Uppermill, paddling in the water and picnicking. They enjoyed their bus ride and ice cream.

Y3/4 TRIP TO SMITHILLS FARM

Y3 & 4 had a fabulous time at the farm in Bolton. They fed goats and llamas, had a tractor ride and petted the chicks and bunnies whilst also meeting some reptiles and snakes. A great trip.

Y6 TRIP TO THE CATHEDRAL AND HOLLYWOOD BOWL

Year 6 enjoyed their day at Manchester Cathedral on Wednesday as they shared a service with other schools from the city. They then went onto have a great time bowling in Ashton-Under-Lyne. A nice treat for the end of their final year.

On Sunday 5th July there is a Y6 service of Celebration in our church at 12.45—1.30pm which our families are welcome to attend with other neighbouring school leavers.

Y6 KEY STAGE 2 TEST RESULTS

A letter has been sent home tonight to our Y6 families informing them of a delay to the test results this year. This is out of our control and will not impact the children in any other way. Results are due to reach school on 16th July.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Enjoy relaxing with a book this summer and join the council's Summer Reading Challenge. See link below:

https://leesfieldprimary.co.uk/school_life/summer_reading_challenge/summer_reading_challenge.html

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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



Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. 2 Thessalonians 3:16

The Bible teaches that God's peace is a special kind of calm and comfort that comes from Him, even when things feel difficult or scary. It isn't just about quietness, it's a deep feeling inside that reminds us God is with us, loves us, and will help us. In simple terms, *God's peace is like a warm hug for your heart that never leaves you.*

Dear God, help me to know Your peace in my life. Help me to remember You in every day because I want to feel the calm, safety and bravery that can only come from You. Let Your peace guide me, in Jesus name, Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: JULY

Coming up Next week:

- **8th Wed: Move-up Morning**
- **9th Thurs: Y5 Robinwood Parent meeting @ 3.30pm**
- **10th Friday: Reports out**

Still to Come:

- 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**

