

St. Thomas' Leesfield Newsletter

17th July 2026



HEADLINE NEWS



As the academic year draws to a close, our Year 6 children are enjoying spending their last few weeks with their friends from primary school. Last night was the Prom and they had a wonderful evening all dressed up and looking fabulous as they danced, played and feasted together with their teachers. Thank you for all your generous donations of food. It all helped to make it a memorable event.

We are also extremely pleased give you some more great news—our Y6 KS2 SATs results have been issued and we have achieved possibly our best ever results. See below:

Reading: 93% (50% Greater Depth)

SPaG: 96% (33% Greater Depth)

Maths: 93% (40% Greater Depth)

I'm sure you will agree this is a phenomenal achievement. A huge well done to our children and all of the staff who have had an input over the years.

EVENTS IN THE LAST WEEK

Next week is our final week and we break up on Thursday 23rd July. Before then we will be having an eventful week in school allowing the children to conclude the year and for Y6 to say their final goodbyes.

On Wednesday, we have our Progress and Attendance Awards at 9am. This is an invite only event for parents/families whose children will be receiving an award.

On the last day, Thursday, Year 6 will have their final 'Leavers' Service' with us in the church at 1.30pm

School attendance this week

Our whole school attendance this week is 92.9%. The class with the best Attendance is Reception with 98.9%.



All the parents/families of the Y6 children are invited to join us for this lovely service where the staff and children get to talk about each other and think about their time at St Thomas'. We wish all our leavers the best for the future and hope they represent our school well as they grow up to 'be the best they can in the sight of God'. We will miss you all.

FSM HOLIDAY VOUCHERS

If your child is on means tested FSMs you will have received vouchers for the school holidays to your email inbox. Please let us know if you have not received them. The council have stated that these will be the last of the vouchers scheme.

EXPANSION TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Everyone was sent a letter last Friday asking them to check their entitlement to FSM as the Government has expanded FSMs to anyone receiving even £1 of Universal Credits. It is important that if you receive UC, that you check your entitlement as the existing scheme of FSMs automatically continuing has now gone and there is a requirement to renew annually. Please can ALL PARENTS return the form to school even if it is just to confirm that you are not entitled to FSM.

Checking is easy, just click on the link in the letter. Copies at the office.

RECEPTION CLASS COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Our youngest members of school entertained us all with their collective worship this week, 'The Squirrels Who Squabbled'. The teachers were very proud of their oracy skills and working so hard to learn their lines.

R&Y1 TRIP TO SEALIFE, BLACKPOOL

The annexe children all spent a wonderful day in Blackpool yesterday. They had lunch on the beach and saw lots of underwater creatures—who can ask for more?

CARLOS' SUMMER HOLIDAY

Carlos the bearded dragon has finished another hard year in Year 2 and is looking to book in with a family for his vacation. If you would like to host Carlos over the summer, please put a note in your child's planner and we will pull a name out of a hat and let you know. Thank you.

SPORTS DAY

This week saw the return of Sports Day. The children were competing and having fun, collecting points for their House team. We can reveal the overall winners were Daniels.

There was high drama when the children defeated the staff in the staff v pupil relay race! The children also loved watching the parents compete and we couldn't believe the winners of the mums' race and the dads' race were from the same family—Ivy in Reception! A huge well done to everyone for great sporting attitudes and for the entertainment.

Mr Wood has asked if our Y4 children can practise riding bikes over the summer to get ready for Bikeability when they are in Y5.

ETHOS THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

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



The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. – Psalm 23:1-2

Jesus leads you to places of peace, just like a shepherd leads his sheep to calm, still waters. When you feel worried or scared, you can give your cares to Him and trust that He will help you. May God's love fill your heart with peace, joy, and rest today.

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

Y5 APPLYING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

The local authority applications process opens on 1st August. Click on the link.

[Apply for a secondary school place | Oldham Council](#)

NEW LUNCH MENU FOR SEPTEMBER

We have a new menu on our return in Autumn. You can see a copy on our website, on the noticeboard or ask for a paper copy at the office.

NEW CLUB CHARGES

Please note that due to rising costs, we have increased our club charges slightly for After School only and the charge is now £8 per session.

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

