St. Thomas' School News

20.11.2020

<u>Events of the Week</u> <u>Week beginning</u> 30.11.2020

Message from the Headteacher

It has been a pleasure this week, to hear and see rehearsals for the Christmas Concerts. Although they won't be watched by a live audience this year, the staff are still putting in as much effort as they would normally do. The children are doing a great job at learning their lines.

<u>Chrístmas Cards</u>



Children can still bring Christmas cards into school to hand out to their friends. However, it will be done slightly differently this year. Cards need to be posted in the school Mail box by Friday 11th December. They will then be given out on Tuesday 15th December.



From the office...

<u>Wisepay</u>

Please remember to order your child's lunches by midnight on Sunday for the week following. Thank you.

Outstanding Milk and Music fees

Please pay any outstanding money using the Wisepay site. Thank you.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner is on Thursday 17th December. If you wish your child to have a Christmas dinner, please log into Wisepay and order the hot meal option (this is not listed as a Christmas dinner). All children who are having a dinner that day, will be given a Christmas dinner, unless parents have informed the school office directly. **The deadline for ordering a Christmas Dinner for your child is Monday 1st December.** This is to allow time for the ordering of the food.

Parent's Association Competition

Time to get Creative

Children can create a Christmas scene using recycled items that they can find at home. They can then bring this into school with a $\pounds1.00$ entrance fee. The scenes will be judged and each winner will receive a prize.

Each class will have a different day to bring in their Christmas Scenes. The scenes will be put in the Hobbit Hut for judging. Scenes will be sent home on the same day. Staff will not handle the scenes unless they are waring disposable gloves.

| Class 1 | Monday 7 th December | |
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| Class 2 | Tuesday 8 th December | |
| Class 3 | Wednesday 9 th December | |
| Class 4 | Thursday 10 th December | |
| Class 5 | Friday 11 th December | |



<u>Times Table Rockstars and Numbots</u>

The league tables are back up and running. Well done to everyone who is working hard to improve themselves.

Numbots Effort Table

| |] s† | 2 nd | 3rd |
|---------|---------|-----------------|--------|
| Class 1 | Gosia | Charlie | Норе |
| Class 2 | Tobias | Teddy | Erin |
| Class 3 | Charlie | Emelia | Jenson |
| Class 4 | Bradley | Emma | Filip |
| Class 5 | Ruby | Sophia | Freya |

Times Table Rockstars Speed (time is in brackets)

| |] st | 2 nd | 3rd |
|---------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Class 3 | Dougi (4.32)= | Elliot (8)= | Phoebe (9.52)= |
| Class 4 | James (1.87)= | Sophie (2.03)+ | Samuel (2.64)= |
| Class 5 | Monica (1.08) | Ben (1.14) | Taylor(1.17)+ |

Local Schools League Table

| Royton and Crompton | 2.54 |
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| Heybrook Primary | 3.24 |
| St. Mary's C.E. Primary School High Crompton | 3.33 |
| Hollingworth Academy | 3.34 |
| St. John's R.C. Primary School | 3.39 |
| St. Peter's C.E. Primary | 4.20 |
| Blackshaw Lane | 4.38 |
| Sacred Heart | 4.78 |

St. Thomas' are in 24th place with a score of 6.87 seconds. This is another fall of one place and is the third week running our time is slower. Many of the children recording the fastest times in KS2 have not improved their time over the last two weeks. The only way the children can get better, is if they play the game regularly.

All year 4 children will be taking part in a times table check in the summer of 2021. This part of the Government's testing and checking protocol for primary schools.

Parent's Association

Thank you for your generous donations for the hampers. Raffle tickets will be sent out next week on a letter with instructions.



The Parent's Association have made some hot chocolate reindeer cones. These can be purchased from the school office for $\pounds 2.00$ each. They will be available form Tuesday 1st December. There is a limited number of 70 available. The cones are currently being quarantined in school. If you wish to purchase one, pop $\pounds 2.00$ into an envelope, with your child's name on, place in the collection box at the gate and we will send home a reindeer cone, once the money has been quarantined in the envelope for 72 hours.

