



St Thomas à Becket C of E (Aided) Primary School

With faith and nurture we flourish

Core values

Friendship, Respect, Truth, Forgiveness, Thankfulness, Perseverance

Home work

Homework will be sent home tomorrow. Each child has been given a set of CGP workbooks and the class teacher will set work from these books each week. The work will align closely to what is being taught in school and will also allow children to revise previous learning. More information to follow from the class teacher.

Hot school lunches

Hopefully you will have received the letter and menu from Mrs Scorgie last Friday explaining the reintroduction of hot lunches from next Monday 22nd November.

Thank you to St Barnabas, Market Lavington for allowing us to use their kitchen facilities to make this happen. I had a tour of the kitchen and met their kitchen manager last week. I was really impressed with the whole operation and in particular the commitment of using a local butchers for the majority of their meat produce.

I'd like to ask parents, especially in Key Stage 1 where lunches are free, to support this where possible. It is an exciting new development within the Emmanuel Collaboration to which we belong and I will be seeking feedback once it is up and running. Thank you for your patience with this.

Maths Week

Last week all the children enjoyed listening to stories linked to maths and a range of activities from painting tessellating shapes based on the artist M.C. Escher, discovering how to balance a paper bird on their fingers and completing different mathematical challenges. Chouh thought about how maths is linked to the world around us and concluded "that maths is everywhere!".



Remembrance Day



Huge thank you to Rev Eleanor for leading the Remembrance Day Service in Tilshead last Thursday. The children took their soldier peg dollies down to the war memorial. Check out our Facebook page for more pictures.

Forest School

Skylarks will have Forest School next term on Thursday afternoons. The children will go out whatever the weather so please can you ensure your child has a suitable change of clothes with waterproof coat, wellies or waterproof shoes, long sleeved top and trousers. There is a strong possibility the children will get dirty so don't send them in anything nice!

We will need parent helpers for each session so please can you email Mrs Scorgie admin@st-thomas-a-becket.wilts.sch.uk if you can help.

PTFA news

The PTFA would like to thank everyone who helped and supported the Pamper Night on Friday, It seems everyone enjoyed their evening.

Don't forget Wednesday 1st December is our Christmas Bingo Night at Shrewton Sports and Social Club 7:30pm. We have some great prizes so not to be missed!

Everyone is welcome!

Wiltshire Public Health

Following advice received on Friday 12th November, we will be keeping the following extra protective measures until the end of November:

- No whole school collective worship
- Limiting mixing of year groups
- No large indoor gatherings
- Balanced approach to extra ventilation in classrooms

Dates for the diary (further key dates to follow)

Monday 1st November – start of Term 2

Tuesday 9th November– Parents' Evening

2020/2021 TD Days

Friday 17th December 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Monday 25th April 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Covid-19

Please be extra vigilant with any potential symptoms.

In line with the latest guidance, we will be writing a new risk assessment and "outbreak management plan" which will be made available on the school website as soon as possible.

As you will be aware, the guidance around self isolation changed on 16th August. Full guidance can be found [here](#).

With case numbers rising across Wiltshire, I'd like to please remain vigilant and keep your child off school if there have any of the following symptoms until the return of a negative PCR test:

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- A loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

New guidance as of 2nd November 2021

If there is a confirmed positive case in the household, it is recommended that everyone in the house tests daily on Lateral Flow Devices.

Readers of the Week

Kestrel Class - Sennen

Chough Class - Mollie NH

Skylark Class - Robin

