



St Michael with St Thomas C of E Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 28th March 2025

School Safety

We kindly ask that parents supervise their children around the school grounds and refrain from allowing children to run round the carpark and play on the Trim Trail/school field during pick-up times. Once children have been collected from class at 3:15 pm, we respectfully ask that families leave promptly to allow for the secure closure of the pedestrian gate. This is essential for the safety of the children who remain on the school premises for clubs and other activities. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in helping us ensure the safety of all our children.

Easter Bingo

We are excited to kick off our Easter activities and cannot wait to get started! Our Easter Bingo event is available to book on Arbor for just £5.00, which includes a hotdog, crisps, a drink, and plenty of fun.

Easter Egg Decorating and Easter Bonnet Competition Reminder

We are thrilled to be holding our annual egg decorating and Easter bonnet competition again this year! After seeing the fantastic entries from previous years, we cannot wait to see the incredible creations the children come up with this time. For the decorated eggs, the possibilities are endless – whether it is a character, fun patterns, or anything else that sparks their imagination!

Just a reminder:

- **All eggs must be hard-boiled** to ensure they are ready for display.
- No entries should be in boxes larger than a shoe box, as they will not be displayed,
- Entries **must not** be brought into school before 31st March 2025

Winners will be announced on 4th April 2025. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful and creative designs!

Y4 Easter Service - Volunteers

This year's Easter Service on 3rd April will be led by Year 4 at the church at 9:30am. The children have been putting in a lot of effort preparing for the service, and we are excited to share this special celebration with you. If you would like to join us for our whole school walk to and from the church, please contact the office to let us know. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating together!

Friends of SMwST

We are still looking for volunteers to help raise funds for our school and would love to hear your ideas for fun fundraising events! Whether it is car boot sales, quiz nights, or other creative ideas, we welcome all suggestions. We are seeking a dedicated team of volunteers to help bring these events to life and make them a success. Your support is vital in helping us raise funds for the school, and we would greatly appreciate any time or energy you can contribute to making these events happen.

Uniform

As the weather hopefully warms up, children are invited to come into school after the Easter break wearing their summer uniforms. However, please be aware that **Year 6 pupils will need to wear their full school uniform** (including shirts, ties, jumpers, or cardigans) **for their Leavers Service at Liverpool Cathedral**, so we respectfully request that an autumn uniform is kept for this special occasion. Additionally, we kindly remind parents that earrings should be removed before school, and makeup is not permitted. Any children who arrive at school wearing makeup will be asked to remove it. We greatly appreciate your continued support in helping us maintain high uniform standards.

Huge Well Done!



We are incredibly proud of Miss Ashton and Mr. Partington (not pictured) for completing the Liverpool half-marathon on Sunday! Their dedication and hard work are truly inspiring. We also want to wish Miss Ashton the best of luck as she continues her training for the Manchester Marathon, where she will be raising funds for charity. Well done on such a fantastic achievement! 💜

Looking Ahead:

Here are some important dates for your diaries to help you plan for the next few weeks:

- 31st March – Y2 Pupil Progress Meetings
- 31st March – Easter Egg competition entries
- 3rd April – Easter Service Y4 (Church 9:30am – Parents welcome)
- 3rd April – Easter Bingo (children only)
- 4th April – End of Term (**School Closes 3:15pm – No KS2 Sports or Afterschool Wraparound Care**)
- 22nd April – School Reopens – **No Choir or Y6 Booster**
- 23rd April – Reception Blue Planet Aquarium Trip
- 28th April – Class Photographs

Please note, these dates are subject to change – please ensure you check them each week for any amendments or additions.

Quotes from Miss Slingsby's #Positivegossip Book this week:

- Miss Ashton for an absolutely superb run in the Liverpool half marathon – Mrs Hogan
- Eva Y2 for always saying 'hello' and asking am I OK? with a beautiful smile – Mrs Hughes
- Carter Y3 for such enthusiastic singing during Y4 practice in worship – Miss T
- Charlotte Y1 for beautiful manners – Miss Lucas
- Harry Y6 for tidying the sports cupboard
- Ruby Y5 for helping carry the first aid box
- Kirstie Y3 for explaining to her grown up what the red lanyard means
- Jessica Y5 for a beautiful 'Good Morning'
- Leo Y5 for always starting the day with a lovely 'Good morning' and a smile – Mrs Worrall
- Libbie, Alice and Sophia for showing great perseverance whilst practicing their skipping – Miss B
- Rocco Y1 for always being polite in homework club – Miss Fisher
- Y3 for working so hard on saying 'Please' and 'Thank you' – Miss Bates 💜

Living Our Values

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Forgiveness

"We look after each other and always try to be kind"



St Michael with St Thomas Church

Come and join the Sunday services at our beautiful church! See times below.

Don't forget Children's Church on the first Sunday of every month.



Holy Communion Service

🕒 Every Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for 1 hour

Let's Talk About Rights!

This week our Article of the week for you to discuss at home is: *Article 18: Both parents share responsibility for bringing up their child and should always consider what is best for the child*

What does this mean?

- How do children access this right?
- How can duty bearers help to ensure children have this right?

Article of the WEEK



Ready, Respectful, Safe!



Headteacher's Award Winners

Rec – Ted for always making us smile with his insightful comments in R.E.

Y1 – Ava for some fantastic answers and contributions in PSHE

Y2 – Joseph for always being an excellent role model to others

Y3 – Roman for challenging himself across all subjects

Y4 – Faith for making super connections during our fraction's topic!

Y5 – Mason for a fabulous attitude in maths

Y6 – Amelia W for wonder perseverance and enthusiasm in everything she does 😊

Lunchtime Superstars

Rec – Wilson

Y1 – Harriett

Y2 – Eva

Y3 – Kirstie

Y4 – Savannah

Y5 – Ben

Y6 – Harry

Attendance Counts!

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Whole School Attendance – this year:

95.5%

Whole school attendance – this week:

97.1%

Class attendance winner:

99.3% - Y4

Class Attendance:

Rec – 98.1%

Y1 – 95.0%

Y2 – 98.2%

Y3 – 97.4%

Y4 – 99.3%

Y5 – 94.6%

Y6 – 96.8%



Important reminder regarding reporting absences.

Please be reminded that you need to notify school before 9am with the reason for absence for this to be recorded appropriately.

Please note 'Feeling unwell', 'poorly' or 'under the weather' is not sufficient, more detail is required such as 'has been sick' or 'has a temperature' is required.

There are lots of ways to notify school of absence. You can call the school number and leave a message on the absence line, you can send a message via Arbor or you can email the school office.

Thank you for your continued support



Our newsletter for parents this term includes:

- Support for Dads, partners and non-birthing parents from Halton Family Hubs
- Vaping myths and facts
- More dates for our Bitesize sessions for parents
- and more

https://padlet.com/HaltonHIT/halton-healthy-schools-parents-news-kxkmsfbkonytivbs?es_c=AE123946DE4F6C25D888BAF6D9E87033&es_cl=F403CA53C192ED13BBEC75640BFC99C1&es_id=p4e%c2%a329



HAF EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Book your child's free HAF space at our holiday club...

- Football, dance games, indoor & outdoor activities. Plus, much more!
- Full details of activities on our website (raringstars.com).
- Contact us via email (contact@raringstars.com).



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