

St Thomas of Canterbury Newsletter



Head of School Comments

It has been a very successful first week of spring term 1, made even more positive by the government announcement that all children will return to school on Monday 8th March. This will be a wonderful occasion where we can be a complete community once again. It is crucial, I believe, for parents to know and be reminded that once all children return, our protective measures and rigorous approaches which have been in place throughout this pandemic, will continue.

This is critical as we move forward and begin to see some light at the end of what has been a long tunnel! On another positive note, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Robinson and his wife Faye on the birth of their daughter Indie Mae. The family are doing well and we send them our love and best wishes.

Spring Term 2 PE Days

PE Days will stay the same as Spring 1.

Monday: Year 1 & Year 6

Tuesday: Year 3 & Hive (AM)

Wednesday: Year 2

Thursday: Year 4

Friday: Year 5

Class Newsletters

Today you will receive your child's half-termly class newsletter which details the topics, key vocabulary and other important information that you can use to support your child's learning at home during this half-term. Reception & Year 2 newsletters will follow next week.

End of Spring Term Reports

On our yearly calendar you will note that we had scheduled a parents' evening for this half-term. Please note that this will now not be happening, and that you will receive your child's end of spring term reports between Monday 22nd and Friday 26th March.

School Dinners

Our current school menu has been extended until Easter Half term and you can now book online via Parentpay. Please also remember the menu from Monday 1st has been updated and therefore you will need to re-book any meals ordered before Thursday 25th.

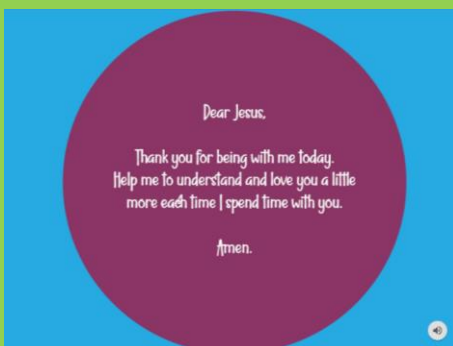
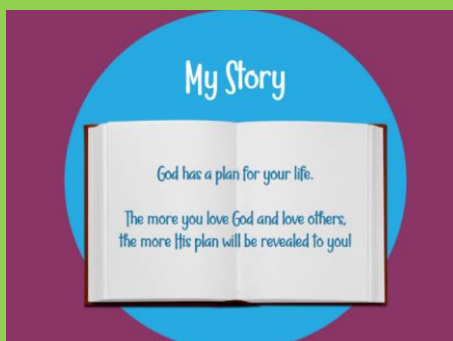
This Week's Gospel

In this week's Gospel, Jesus is transfigured and revealed as God's son. This changed Peter's life: he wanted to participate fully with God's creative plan!

Key Scriptures

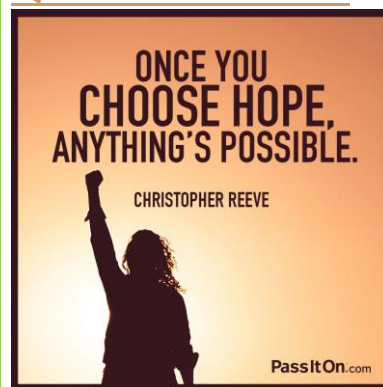
'Jesus led them up a high mountain and He was transfigured before them.'

Mark 9: 2 – 10



Week ending Friday 26th February 2021

Quote of the Week



Joke of The Week



What do you call a monkey at the North Pole?

Lost.

World Book Day - Thursday 4th March 2021

The aim of our World Book Day celebrations this year will be to unite all learners (whether at home or school) through our shared passion of reading. We would like to offer the following activities:

- Children at home and school can (if they choose) wear their pyjamas for the day. The purpose of this is to emphasise the importance of bedtime stories and the comfort that reading brings. Any child that has PE on the day can still wear their pyjamas with suitable footwear.
- Children in school should bring in a book that they will enjoy reading at various points throughout the day.
- **The Masked Reader Competition:** children at home and school can have a go at guessing who the mystery storytellers are! This will take place at various points throughout the day.
- Additionally, those feeling particularly creative are welcome to contribute to our optional **Story Jar** activity. These will become part of a permanent display in our libraries. Story jars should capture the feeling of your favourite story. These can be brought into school at any time from Thursday 4th March, please see the examples below.

