# St Thomas of Canterbury Newsletter



We have had an extremely positive (and fast-paced) first week back at school for the beginning of our summer term. It is also fair to say that this term will be an extremely engaging one, with many activities and events happening to give our children the highest quality broadest and very educational experiences. It has been exciting to hear that class teachers are now able to book in educational visits: our children have missed out on many of these during the last year and it is important that we create the opportunities for as many of these as possible to happen before the summer.

#### **School Uniform**

From next week, please ensure that all children are in the correct school uniform; we have allowed a little bit of leeway in the first week back to take account of shops reopening and stock being delivered to parents etc...

#### **After School Activity Clubs**

A reminder that our after school activities return next week (still operating in bubbles) and over the next two half-term, each class will have an opportunity to access them through parents registering and signing up via Parentpay.

#### **Good Shepherd Appeal**

All the children have been working really hard to support the Good Shepherd Appeal this week and there are a number of other events planned for future weeks. Please look out on our Twitter and Instagram pages for images and updates over the next few weeks, and we will share an updated and final total amount raised in next week's newsletter.



## **This Week's Gospel**

To celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday and Vocations Sunday, children will learn through an interactive film that God calls us to make a gift of ourselves at the crossroads of our daily decisions; and that through prayer and silence, we can develop a deeper understanding of God's plan for our lives.

**Key Scriptures** 

"I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me." John 10: 11 – 18

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Week ending Friday 23rd April 2021

#### **Quote of the week**



#### Joke of The Week



# What is a vampire's favorite fruit? A blood orange!

#### **Places available in Pre-school**

We still have a few spaces left in our amazing pre-school for April starters. Please contact the school office for more information.



#### Pick up Times

The pick up times for our children are from 3:15pm – 3:30pm. We would recommend that parents aim to collect at 3:20pm as we have noticed a rush of parents at 3:15pm that quietens down at 3:20pm.

#### Summer Term 1 Dates for the Diary

<u>April</u>

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> -Y3 Swimming Lesson Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Swimming Lesson <u>May</u> Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – May Bank Holiday Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Swimming Lesson Friday 14<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Swimming Lesson Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – Y6 Swimming Lesson

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Swimming Lesson

### Summer Term 1 PE Days

Monday - Y1 and Y6 Tuesday - Hive (am) and Y3 Wednesday - Y2 Thursday – Y4 Friday – Y5