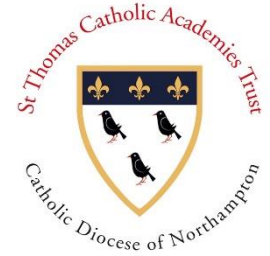


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"The glory of God is  
a human being fully alive!"

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Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

**Friday Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

It hardly seems possible that we are almost at the end of the school year already; having had such disruption to our normal routine means that we have had to miss so many of the usual events that we are used to sharing together as a family of staff, parents and children. Next week is the last week of term, and school will shut for the summer holiday period for the first time since February half term.

We have seen an increase in numbers over the past few weeks and I am glad that many of the children in the specified year groups have been able to attend to get a feel for school after a long time away. As the numbers have increased, we have been careful to ensure that the recommended hygiene measures are in place, and I hope that the children who have returned will be able to help those who haven't adjusted into our new routines in September.

Well done to those at home who have been working hard on Seesaw, the children will have lots to share with your teachers and friends when they return in September, so for the final week, keep up the good work.

Your children's reports will be sent to you next week via email, and detail their achievements up until March when we had to close the school. So many children had worked so hard, and their teachers had been looking forward to seeing what they were capable of. The effort and achievement grades in the reports reflect their learning up to March.

Next year we will be working hard to establish what the gaps in the children's learning is, and finding the best ways to catch up with missed learning to give your children the best chance of success as we move forward. I will be in touch with more details as we start the new term.

Your child will have had a letter home from their new teacher this week, so I hope you have been able to share that together and that your child is looking forward to meeting them and starting their new year group. It will be strange for many children to come back to school, so please reassure them that lots of others will be feeling the same way. The teachers can't wait to see the children in September!

I will be back in touch at the start of next week to confirm arrangements for September so parents can make any necessary arrangements.

## Celebration Assembly awards

On Thursday we have Celebration Assembly where the work of the children who have been in school is recognised. This week's hard workers were:

**Jasmine 1I**, for sounding out and blending new words!

**Kaya 1M**, for completing all her work activities so well.

**Shane 1M**, for always being enthusiastic about his learning and trying new things.

**Eva 1I**, for joining her handwriting.

**Ramil 3W**, for showing enthusiasm and actively participating in discussions about our Stop and Read book - Owen and the Soldier. He is able to infer from the text and confidently articulate his ideas. Miss Wilkhu says she is so proud of him!

**Felicity 3P**, for her dancing talent and encouraging others to take part.

**Oliwer 5C**, for being a great team player in the classroom and helping with keeping the room tidy.

**Csenge 5E**, for being a really good role model to the others in the class.

**Reeba 6D**, for showing great enthusiasm and dedication in ukulele lessons on Zoom!

## Pick up and drop off times - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July

School is closed to most pupils on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at the times specified below. Only children of key workers are offered a place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July, this is per the agreement made with the school for individual children. School closes to key worker children at 1pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

Year Group	Drop off	Pick up
Nursery	9.30am	12.00pm
Reception	9.15am	2.45pm
Year 1	9.00am	3.00pm
Year 5	8.45am	3.20pm
Year 6	8.45am	3.20pm
Key worker	8.45am	3.20pm

Please arrive at the specified time as we are not able to take children in earlier due to lack of supervision.

If you have children in more than one year group, drop off at the latest and collect at the earliest time for your children. This is so the youngest children come in and leave at the same time as their classmates.

## Dates for next week

- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – End of year reports emailed to parents.
- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 6 end of year awards. 6D- 9:30am to 10:30am and 6C- 11:30am to 12:30pm. Parents have been contacted about this event.
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – last day of term, key worker children only **8.45am-1:00pm**.

## Uniform for September

Uniform can now be ordered from the school uniform supplier, Recognition Express ready for September. Please find all links available on the school website under the 'Parent Information' school uniform tab. Deliveries of uniform will be made to school on the first week of term. You will be notified of when you can collect your order from the school office.

Please ensure your child also has their PE polo shirt in their allocated house team colour. If you are unsure of your child's house team, please email the school office. All children are expected to have full school uniform and a coloured PE shirt in September.

## Safeguarding Reminder

Our Pupil Wellbeing and Safeguarding Officer is Kerry Slattery, and our Parent Support and Welfare Officer is Maggie Brennan. If you have any safeguarding or welfare questions, please contact these staff members via the office.

I hope all our families have a peaceful and enjoyable weekend.

**God Bless,  
Mrs Maynard  
Headteacher**