



The Messenger

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'Nurturing Hearts and Minds'

School Calendar

Date	Event	Time
2020		
January		
Wed 22	Parent Meet re Stanley Head Residential	6pm
Thurs 23	Film Night	After school
February		
10-14	Y6 visit Stanley Head Residential	
Wed 12	Y1 Assembly	9.30
Friday 14	School Closes for half term	
Mon 24	School opens	
Wed 26	Ash Wednesday	
Thurs 27	Sacrament of Reconciliation	6pm
March		
Mon 2	Parent Consultations	3:30-6pm
Wed 4	Parent Consultations	4-7pm
Fri 6	Celebrating World Book Day	
Wed 11	Y3 Assembly	9.30
Wed 11	Meeting of the Governing Body	6pm
Tues 17	Class photographs	

Children's Safety

We would always encourage parents and guardians to see their children enter the school gates upon arrival at school. Please remain with your children if you arrive before the gates are open. Thank you.

St Thomas More Pupils 'Tour' their Shakespearean Drama!

St Thomas More pupils from Year 7 paid us a visit on Monday to perform 'The Taming of the Shrew' before our own Y5 and Y6 pupils. Led by Mr Hardacre all of the pupils performed magnificently well, with great character and presence. We were one of 3 schools visited including St Mary's Crewe and St Anne's Nantwich. The children and staff were thoroughly entertained by the exceptionally talented pupils.

Dear Parents, Happy New Year and another decade has passed! (You're Welcome! ☺) I'm sure it seems as strange to you as it does me in writing 2020 as if from a futuristic novel. I hope you all had a good break and enjoyed the festive season.

Into our second week back now has seen the children all start the new year with fresh smiles and great enthusiasm. Long may it last! A busy term ahead for us all with Y6 on their jolly residential and Y3 beginning their Sacramental programme.

EJ Byrne

Attendance	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Total
6-10 Jan 2020	100	97.7	98.3	95.7	98.2	96.6	100	98.0

Such fantastic efforts last week! Thank you to everyone! Reception Class and Year 6 have got off to a flier this term- that whole school average is incredible! Well done!

‘Disco Inferno’

Disco Fever took over on Wednesday as the children turned out in force for a ‘New Year’ disco. Thank you to everyone that supported the event and those parents that helped out on the night too. We’ve raised almost £500 for school fund on that one night, which is incredible. Thanks again.

‘GREEN ‘Update’ from the Recycling Team.

Keep those 2 litre plastic bottles coming in... and remember we can recycle your batteries also. Christmas cards are also welcome so keep them coming if you haven’t disposed of them already. The team will be making labels out of them for next year!



Well done to our Y3’s who took part in their Mass of Enrolment last Thursday evening. All of the children were splendid as they embarked on their Sacramental journey. Next key date is Thursday 27 February which is for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Look out for further parent meetings too.

Staying Safe Online: With so many children receiving electronic goods for Christmas now is a good time to have a chat with your child about e-safety. Childnet have updated their parent and carer toolkit to help parents have conversations about online safety. Their booklet 'Let's talk about life online' includes ten key messages that should be shared with children:

1. You can always come to me if you need help.
 2. What would you do if this happened...?
 3. Remember that not everyone is who they say they are online.
 4. Keep your personal information safe, and other people’s too.
 5. Be respectful to others online.
 6. Think before you post.
 7. Remember to ask if it’s okay.
 8. Remember not everything is true online.
 9. The things other people post online might not always show what their life is really like.
 10. Recognise how going online makes you feel and take a break when you need to.
- The Parent and Carer Toolkit can be found here:

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/parent-and-carer-toolkit>