



Welcome back to our first Spring Term. We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and we would like to wish you all a very happy new year.

Behaviour Bees – Celebration Assembly – Monday 12th January 2026



Learner Bee of the Week

The following children have been chosen as 'Learner Bee of the Week' by their class teacher. Each child will be presented with a certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly.

FS1 – Myah-Elizabeth

FS2 – Freya W

Class 1 - Max R

Class 2 - Travis M

Class 3 – Breah M

Class 4 – Abi L

Class 5 – Miya P

Class 6 – Freddie-George

Best Worker Bee of the Week

The following children have been chosen as 'Best Worker Bee' by their class teacher. Each child will show their work and be presented with a certificate at Monday's celebration assembly.

FS1 – Harison R

FS2 – Amelia S

Class 1 – George S

Class 2 - Harry R

Class 3 – Poppy P

Class 4 – Finley H

Class 5 – Teddie S

Class 6 – Amber C

Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which begins at 9.05am in the Main Hall.



Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 89.6%
Year 3 – 97.4%

FS2 – 90.4%
Year 4 – 93.1%

Year 1 – 99.4%
Year 5 – 96.6%

Year 2 – 90%
Year 6 – 95.6%

Congratulations to **Year 1**, who are this week's attendance winners. Well done.

The whole school attendance this week was **94.1 %** - just below our target of 95%... ☹



To promote 'Good' attendance in school. Pupils who achieve 100% attendance; and are in school on time each day will have their name put into a prize draw each week at Monday's assembly. The child who has their name drawn will get to choose a prize from Mrs Sherwood dip box.

Reading Awards

The following children have achieved their **Bronze** and **Silver** reading badges. Mrs Sherwood will present each of them with their badges at Monday's celebration assembly. Well done to you all.

Class 1

Flynn N
Max R

Class 3

Lillie C
Alice T
Isabella W
Charlie W
Bradley W
Jessie B

Class 4

Lacey B
Poppy M
Esmay G

Class 5

Amelia G

Easyfundraising

St Thomas' have been given the opportunity to sign up to 'Easyfundraising'.

How does it work? Download the app and register; and when you purchase items online from over 8000 retailers (including Tesco, Amazon, Argos) they donate part of what you spend to our fundraising cause. It won't cost you any extra; the cost is covered by the brand!

Please visit the link below for further details.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-thomas-primary-academy-kilnhurst>

So far, with your support, we have raised over £75... thank you.



After School Clubs – Spring Term 1

After School Club	Children Eligible	Day	Time
Dodgeball with Mr Turner (20 places)	Years 1 to 6	Monday's	3.10pm to 4.00pm
Choir with Miss Newman and Mrs Hall (20 places) No need to re-book on Arbor if continuing from last term.	Years 3 to 6	Tuesday's	3.10pm to 4.00pm
Nerf Club* with Mr Lyons (20 places) *pupils to fetch their own Nerf's.	Year 3 to 6	Tuesday's	3.10pm to 4.00pm
Games Club with Mrs Sanderson (15 places)	Years 1 and 2	Thursday's	3.10pm to 4.00pm
Maths Booster Club with Mr Walton, Mrs Cadman and Mrs Sherwood (no need to book on Arbor) All Year 6 pupils are encouraged to attend these booster sessions each week.	Year 6 pupils only	Thursday's	3.10pm to 4.00pm

Parents Evening – 28th / 29th January 2026

Your child's Parents Evening(s) will take place on the following dates/times:

**Wednesday 28th January 2026 between 3.20pm and 5.30pm and
Thursday 29th January 2026 between 3.20pm and 5.30pm.**

Details on how to book your child's appointment will be published next week.





Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 1

- 21st January 2026 - WMIM Cyber Bullying Workshop – 2.00pm – Year 4
- 22nd January 2026 – WMIM Worry Monster Workshop (FS2 Pupils and Parents/Guardians) – 10am
- 26th January 2026 – Dental Hygiene Workshop with FS2 pupils at 1.30pm
- 28th January 2026 – Hand Hygiene Workshop with Y1 pupils at 1.30pm
- 28th and 29th January 2026 – Parents Evening – further details to follow
- 3rd February 2026 – Natural Disasters Family Workshop - Y3 Pupils and Parents/Guardians - 9.30am
- 3rd February 2026 – Bullying and Kindness Workshop – Y4 - 2.00pm
- 5th February 2026 – Year 5 – transition day at Swinton Academy – details to follow
- 10th February 2026 – Year 3 visit to Swinton Academy for indoor athletics –details to follow
- 13th February 2026 – Break up for Half Term at 3.10pm
- 16th to the 20th February 2026 – School Closed for Half Term
- 23rd February 2026 – School re-opens at 8.40am for our second Spring Term





At St Thomas, We Celebrate Everyone



At St Thomas, we are proud to be an inclusive school where every child is valued. We celebrate and understand both our similarities and our differences—because they make our community stronger.

We kindly ask parents and carers to support us by recognising the diverse needs of our children. Your empathy and understanding help us create a safe, respectful environment for all.

Together, we are role models of kindness, showing our children how to treat others with compassion and respect.

Thank you for being part of our caring school community.



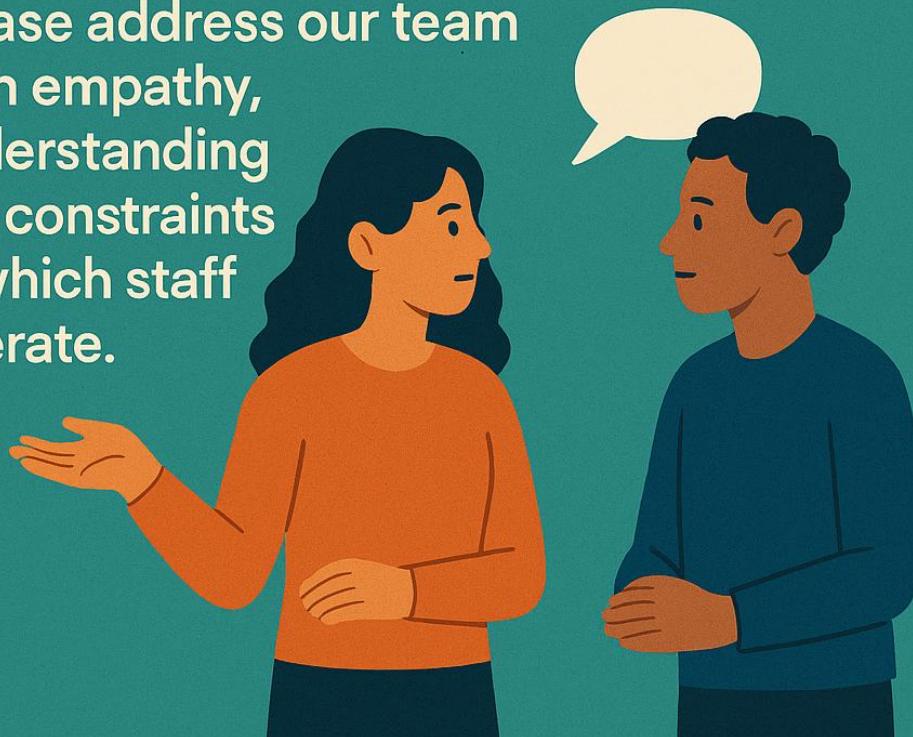


In our school, we use kind words and calm voices

Thank you for setting a great
example for our students.

If you have a concern, we want to help.

Please address our team
with empathy,
understanding
the constraints
in which staff
operate.





Lo's Pharmacy

NHS

Did you know that pharmacies can now offer **clinical appointments** with medication available if required for four **clinical conditions** particularly relevant to school age children?



- Earache (Children aged 1-17)
- Sore throat (Over 5 years)
- Infected insect bites (Over 1 years)
- Impetigo (Over 1 years)



THINK 'Pharmacy First'



GP practices are busy, and it can be difficult to get a same day GP appointment. When your child is off sick from school with any of the above conditions, by going straight to your local Lo's Pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained pharmacist, receive advice and even medication if needed. Meaning children could be on the road to recovery and back to school as soon as possible.

Walk in's welcome



**Pops Outdoor Adventure Centre pick up children from St Thomas' daily.
If you are interested in your child attending, please get in touch with them.**

**Pops Ranger Kids is unique club for children looking for adventure.
What better way to end your School day by taking part in our After
School Adventure Club? Packed full of activities, games and bushcraft to
help you become an amazing outdoor adventurer!**

Every Day After School Until 6:00pm

Pops Outdoor Adventure Centre – Rawmarsh

**The Bowling Green Pavilion,
Rosehill Park, Rawmarsh,
Rotherham. S62 7FL**

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