

GARSTANG ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

25th September 2020

FRIDAY CELEBRATION AND READING

We are enjoying our new live Friday Celebrations in school. It's giving us the opportunity to come together once again albeit on interactive whiteboards with our roving reporter (Mr Baker). In our Friday Celebrations, Mr Blakely is having a focus on reading and we are celebrating reading in school. We want all children to have a love of reading – and as encouragement, there are stickers and prizes to be won. Not everything's a competition but...look who has read the most in Years 4,5 and 6 this week:

YEAR 4: 1,340,236 words

YEAR 6: 1,270,573 words

YEAR 5: 1,046,214 words

Well done Year 4! Year 5 were in the lead last week.

If you have any questions about reading at home or there is a problem with a book we send home, please get in touch with your child's class teacher as soon as possible and we can sort it out.

RADIO STATION – RADIO GARSTANG

We're pleased to announce that Radio Garstang has started to broadcast again on Fridays in school. Year 6 have split themselves into groups and each group will get the opportunity to plan and present a show.

FLU VACCINATION – WHOLE SCHOOL

The vaccination team are due to be in school on Friday 27th November. A permission letter has been sent out with the children. Please return as soon as possible.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION

Applications for Reception class next year need to be in to Lancashire County Council before the deadline of 15th January. Please see the admissions page on our website for more information: www.garstangstthomas.com

SOPHIE'S CHARITY HAIRCUT

Sophie Lamoury (Y1) is having at least 12" of hair cut for Little Princess Trust because she wants to help make wigs for children. If you are able to sponsor Sophie and support Little Princess Trust work, please click [here](#).



Christian Value this half term: **THANKFULNESS**

DIARY DATES

Mon 28th Sep: Reception class photo (for the LEP)

Wed 30th Sep: Little Zoo visit (Y1)

Mon 5th Oct: School photographs: Individual

Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct: Half Term Week

Mon 2nd Nov: INSET day (teacher training day)

Fri 27th Nov: Nasal flu vaccination

Fri 18th Dec: Last day of school before Christmas

Monday 4th Jan: First day of the spring term

Full term dates available on our website

www.garstangstthomas.com



STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Clara Walmsley

Matthew Thompson

Chloe Dyer

Fox Laverty

Ellis Jepson

Emelia Dick

Henry Jurin

Angel Hoyle

Flossie Beresford

Arthur Spicer

Ryan Shaw

Ffion Bailey

Morgan Walton

Jago Gradwell

A GLIMPSE INSIDE...RECEPTION CLASS THIS MORNING



COVID-19 UPDATE: Please view the COVID-19 information page on our website: www.garstangstthomas.com for detailed information and a parent/carer quick reference guide.

COVID-19 FAQs

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF MY CHILD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS?

If your child has a new **continuous cough** or a **high temperature**, or has a **loss of or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell** (anosmia), please follow the [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and [arrange to have a test](#) as soon as you can to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

Please contact the school as soon as possible to let us know the result by e-mailing: head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk.

WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD HAS CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19?

If your child has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, they must self-isolate. Please follow the [Guidance for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection who do not live with the person.](#)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to Mr Blakely. head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk or ring 01995 603454.

HM Government

NHS

We must keep on protecting each other.

HANDS

FACE

SPACE

STAY ALERT • CONTROL THE VIRUS • SAVE LIVES

The poster features three circular icons: a pink one with hands being washed, a blue one with a face mask, and a green one with two people and a double-headed arrow between them. The background is dark blue with a yellow footer.