

GARSTANG ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

2nd October 2020

THREE PEAK CHALLENGE

Our PTFA have launched an October challenge which the whole school family can take part in safely:

THE GREAT GARSTANG THREE PEAK CHALLENGE 2020

Please see information on page three of this newsletter. We would like to create a running track around our top school field that could be used throughout the year. The money raised from the Three Peaks Challenge will go directly to the running track so please do take part if you are able.

LAST DAY OF THE HALF TERM – PARTY AFTERNOON

In the current lock down situation we know that children are not able to meet their friends outside school or have parties. On the last Friday of the half-term, we are planning a party afternoon in each class and it will be a non-uniform day. We'll organise snacks and games but we ask that, if you're able, please send your child in with a donation for the local foodbank.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be in on Monday 5th October (during the school day) to take individual photographs.

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

CONTACT A TEACHER

If you ever need to get in touch with a teacher, please visit our website to send a message to a teacher or e-mail. If there is ever something urgent, please call Mrs Williams/ Miss Whittaker in the school office: 01995 603454.

Christian Value this half term: **THANKFULNESS**

DIARY DATES

Oct: THE GREAT GARSTANG THREE PEAK CHALLENGE

Mon 5th Oct: School photographs: Individual

Fri 23rd Oct: Non-uniform and party afternoon – please send in donations for the local food bank

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



Year 1 – Forest Schools this week

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



Stanley Elliot
Scarlett Wright
Kai McGrath
Isla Blakely
Pippa Rowlandson
Thomas Holding
Alfie Blackett
Luke Thomas
Holly Baker
Jack Morton
William Spicer
Eliza Gradwell
Lauren Armstrong
Freya Robinson
Noa Forga Allday



MULTI-USE GAMES AREA UPDATE:



The multi-use games area development is well under-way. We look forward to getting onto this additional area for PE lessons, breaktimes and lunchtimes. The surface will be tarmac with painted pitch lines to start with. We hope to add an artificial all-weather grass surface when we are able.

The school council went out to inspect progress this week and are due to report back in their classes.

Look what we're creating in our bottom field with the spoil. Have you any idea what it is yet?



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?

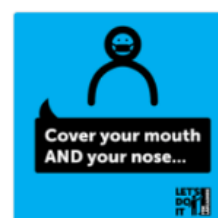
If your child has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, they must self-isolate. Please follow the [Guidance for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection who do not live with the person.](#)

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.



HANDS

Wash your hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.



FACE

Cover your face in enclosed spaces, especially where social distancing may be difficult.



SPACE

Stay 2 metres apart where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place.



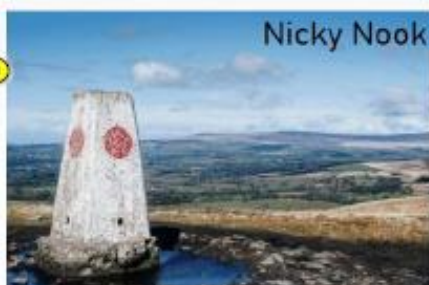
Please view the Lancashire restrictions here: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/coronavirus-updates/coronavirus-restrictions-in-lancashire/>

THE PTFA

GARSTANG 3 PEAKS CHALLENGE

Are you tough enough to climb the rugged terrain
of the Garstang 3 peaks
in just 4 WEEKS?

Take a photo at
each summit and
win a prize
post your pics
and progress to
#GST3Peaks



CLICK [HERE](#) TO DOWNLOAD
YOUR SPONSOR FORM



Class with the most sponsor money raised
wins the coveted 3 peaks trophy

COMING SOON!!

Watch out for
these amazing
PTFA events



**CHRISTMAS
CHOCOLATE BINGO**



PENNY WARS



Le
de **TOUR**
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GARSTANG

THE VIRTUAL FAMILY

