

# GARSTANG ST THOMAS

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER



#### WELCOME

It has been great to welcome the children back at the start of this academic year. Welcome back to all our parents/carers and a huge welcome to all our new reception children and families. 😊

In school family news we'd like to welcome the following children who have joined us in KS2 this year:

Lucy Duckworth, Annabelle Holt, Bobby Kay, Jessica Smith, & Jasper Welbourn.

Welcome to new members of our teaching team: Miss Jones (class teacher – Y3), Miss Sanderson (learning coach – Y4) and Miss Duffy (learning coach – Y6).

Congratulations to Chloe Dyer and her family on the arrival of baby Lewis.

#### PARENTS' EVENING

We are planning an early parents' evening this year, before half term, using video appointments. Further information on how to book will be sent in next week's newsletter. (All being well, we plan to invite parents into school for the spring parents' evening).

#### EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS – CHILDREN IN Y1 – Y6

We are planning to start up extra-curricular clubs on Monday onwards. Thank you for returning the forms by the deadline on Wednesday. The letters are due to be returned to you today. If your child has got a place, the club will be highlighted. Our clubs are always very popular and many are oversubscribed. Please note that if your child hasn't got a place at a club (the club is not highlighted) they will be down as a priority for next time.

#### ONE WAY SYSTEM AND DROP OFF AND COLLECTION TIMES

Drop off time: 8:40am – 8:50am (8:50am is the start of the school day)

Collection: 3:10pm – 3:20pm (please note that KS2 children on the walk home list will leave at 3:10pm – the official school end time).

Classroom doors will open at the times above but the playground gates will open approximately 5 minutes earlier.

**Please use the full one-way system around school** so no one is going against the flow. Thank you.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

Worship focus: You are welcome here  
Open the book worship: Friendship

#### DIARY DATES

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Sep:** Y2 Fell Foot trip

**Tue 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Sep:** Life Education Bus visit

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Oct:** Tempest Individual child photos

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Half term Week

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Nov:** INSET day

**Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov:** Whole school flu vaccine (consent form due to be sent out shortly)

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Nov – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y5 & Y6 Tower Wood trip

**Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y5 visit to Dewlay

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Last day of school before Christmas.

Full term dates available from our website:

[www.garstangstthomas.com](http://www.garstangstthomas.com)

#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

##### ALL OF RECEPTION

CORDELIA HILL

OSCAR GOULD

JESSICA THOMAS

FRANKY FOSTER

LILY FAIRCLOUGH

THOMAS HOLDING

SOPHIE CHERRETT

FINLAY HURST

WILLIAM MOXHAM

JACK MORTON

MAGGIE HAYHURST

AALIYAH QUIRK

MARWEN MONTORIO-

GREENHALGH

BREAKFAST CLUB: SOPHIE CHERRETT

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: WINSTON WALLING



## YEAR 2 TRIP

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September, Year 2 are heading to Fell Foot for a day of outdoor adventurous activities. Activities planned may include kayaking, paddle boarding, orienteering and team building etc. depending on the weather and conditions. Further information has been sent home this week in hard copy.

## YEARS 5 & 6 TOWER WOOD TRIP

Years 5 & 6 are due to go to Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre, Windermere on 10<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. An information letter will be sent out about this next early next week.

## PRE-SCHOOL MARKET RESEARCH

We are conducting market research on the need for pre-school provision at Garstang St Thomas School. If you would use pre-school provision now or in the future, please visit: <https://www.garstangstthomas.com/pre-school-market-research/>

## PIANO LESSONS

Welcome back Mrs Gaughan. Piano lessons will begin next week.

## CLEANING VACANCY

We have a cleaning vacancy for 16 hours per week - [Please click here for further information here.](#)

## COVID

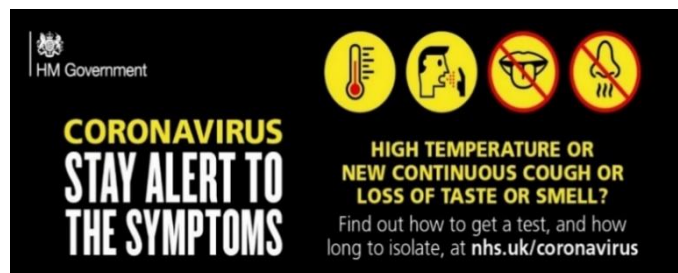
If your child has symptoms, please do not send them to school. Please book a test and keep us informed. Please send test results as soon as possible to: [head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk).

Please note: lateral flow tests are in use for asymptomatic testing. For children/ adults with symptoms, you are asked to get a PCR test: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

## REMINDER OF COVID SYMPTOMS

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

BOOK A [COVID TEST](#) / GUIDANCE ON [ISOLATION](#)



HM Government

**CORONAVIRUS**  
**STAY ALERT TO**  
**THE SYMPTOMS**

HIGH TEMPERATURE OR  
NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH OR  
LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL?

Find out how to get a test, and how long to isolate, at [nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://nhs.uk/coronavirus)

The poster features four icons: a thermometer, a person coughing into their elbow, a hand being washed, and a nose with a red 'X' over it, indicating a loss of smell or taste.

## RECEPTION CLASS 2021



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