



# GARSTANG ST THOMAS

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER

#### PARENTS' EVENING

We warmly invite you to sign up for our Parents' Evening which will take place on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Appointments will be by video call. Please book you appointment at [garstangstthomas.schoolcloud.co.uk](http://garstangstthomas.schoolcloud.co.uk). The booking system opens at 6pm today.

#### HARVEST

We will be having a Harvest service in school led by our Open the Book Team (St Thomas' Church). Children are asked to bring a harvest donation on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September. The donation will be given to the food bank at St Thomas' Church.

#### FLU VACCINE

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals is delivering the school-age immunisation programme on behalf of NHS England. This vaccination programme is in place to help protect your child against the flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu. The vaccination is free and recommended for children and will be given by a quick and simple spray up the nose. Blackpool Teaching Hospitals have introduced a new electronic consent form – [Please sign up here.](#)

#### CHILDREN IN YEAR 6

The deadline for secondary admissions is 31<sup>st</sup> October. Apply online [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk).

#### REMINDER: 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.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Matthew Thompson and his family on the arrival of baby Benjamin. 😊

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Worship focus: Mindset & Emma Raducanu  
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

**HUGH WILKINSON**

**ELLIE RILEY**

**MARCIE RICE**

**WINSTON WALLING**

**HARRY BILLINGTON**

**REEGAN BROWN**

**JACOB BENNETT**

**MIA SWEENEY**

**ANGEL HOYLE**

**REUBEN BRAY**

**ANNABEL WALTON**

**ALFIE STEPHENS**

**ISABELLA MITCHELL**

**ELIZA GRADWELL**

**IZZY ORR**

**BREAKFAST CLUB- ELEANOR BOARDMAN**

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB- KUKENA SINDOWE &**

**LUCY DUCKWORTH**

## 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 was sent out – if you need further information, please speak to Miss Mercer.

## 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 was sent out this week. For further information, please speak to Mrs Stewart or Mrs Bosson.

## PRE-SCHOOL MARKET RESEARCH - **LAST CALL**

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/>

## CLEANING VACANCY

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

### COVID

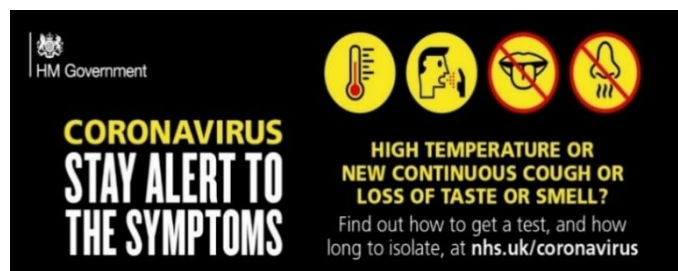
If your child has symptoms, please do not send them to school. Please book a test and keep us informed. Please send test results as soon as possible to: [head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk).

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, a person with a red 'X' over their nose and mouth, and a person with a red 'X' over their nose. The background is black with yellow and white text.

## A GLIMPSE INSIDE – LUNCH TIMES AT GST





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