



GARSTANG ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th October 2021

Worship: Harvest

PARENTS' EVENING

Thank you for joining us for parents' evening this week. There are advantages to the virtual parents' evening but we are looking forward to welcoming you into school in the spring term to show you your child's work and speak to you face to face (all being well).

FLU VACCINE

REMINDER: Please sign up for your child's flu vaccination using Blackpool Teaching Hospital's new electronic consent form – [Please sign up here](#). Our school code is: BP119528
Deadline: Friday 22nd October 2021.

INTER-SCHOOLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Well done to the girls who took part in the inter-schools football tournament on Wednesday. No goals were conceded by our team in the tournament and the girls came joint first place. WELL DONE! 😊

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History Month. Next week in school, each of our classes will spend time focusing on this area in a variety of ways including reading books and virtual author visits.

YEAR 5 UK CHALLENGE DAY

Year 5 children are welcome to come to school on Thursday 21st October dressed as a UK legendary figure or wear sports kit from one of the four nations on the special day.

YEAR 2 & 3 LOCAL VISITS

A big thank you to our volunteers who made it possible to take the children on local visits as part of their topics this week.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Garstang Uniform & Leisurewear Shop has revised its opening hours. They are available on their [website](#). Our school uniform, hair and jewellery information is available [here](#).

SCHOOL MEALS

Lancashire Catering Services are facing challenges with food distribution. The situation has become more difficult over the past weeks. There is an emergency menu for all schools in Lancashire until half term. During this time, Mrs Keighley, Mrs Horner and the team will continue to work hard to make sure your child gets a good balanced meal that they will enjoy eating.

DIARY DATES

Wed 13th Oct: Y6 Natural History Museum virtual visit
Thu 21st Oct: Y5 UK Challenge Day
Mon 25th Oct – Fri 29th Oct: Half term Week
Mon 1st Nov: INSET day
Tue 2nd Nov: Whole school flu vaccine
[Please sign up here.](#)
Wed 10th Nov – Fri 12th Nov: Y5 & Y6 Tower Wood trip
Tue 16th Nov: Y5 visit to Dewlay
Fri 17th Dec: Last day of school before Christmas.

We plan to share Christmas events and dates for after half term in next week's newsletter.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



THEO MELVILLE
 ISABEL BUTLER
 RORY BLAKELY
 QUINN AINSWORTH
 BETHANY YATES
 SAMUEL GORNALL
 GRACE DAWSON
 RAFFY BURTON
 JOEY WRIGHT
 LUKE THOMAS
 OLIVE ORMEROD
 DENIS MARTIN
 BENJAMIN BATEMAN
 HOLLIE PARKINSON
 RYAN SHAW



SCARLETT OWEN-CARTMELL

BREAKFAST CLUB- HARRISON STEPHENS

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB- ASHLYN WEBB

YEAR 6 SWIMMING

The children have been asked to bring a top and bottoms for lifesaver lessons for the next two weeks.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The Tempest deadline for orders is: 13/10/2021.

LOCAL VISIT CONSENT FORM

A local visit consent form has been sent home. Please complete and return to school. Thank you.

WOODWIND LESSONS

If you would be interested in your child learning a woodwind instrument, we can offer lessons in school time. Please speak to Mrs Williams or e-mail: office@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk.

A GLIMPSE INSIDE:



Reception class working in small groups in the hall learning about their bodies and physical activity.



Year 6 having a PALS training session – learning how to be playground leaders.



Year 4 teaching Year 1 about the dangers of electricity including button batteries, water near devices and frayed charging wires.



Year 5 having a RE lesson with Debbie from NISCU about the bible.

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.

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

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