

# GARSTANG ST THOMAS

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER



**PTFA RAFFLE** – There are amazing prizes up for grabs. Please see the PTFA letter (sent home last week) for information.

#### **YEAR 5 CAROL SINGING**

Year 5 are being invited to take part in carol singing on 28<sup>th</sup> November at the Garstang Christmas Tree Light Switch On. A letter has been sent home with further information.

#### **YEAR 5 LOCAL VISIT**

Year 5 are heading to Booths on Monday as part of Design Technology. They will be tasting different foods so please let us know if there are any intolerances/ allergies we do not already know about.

#### **YEAR 3 SWIMMING**

Year 3 are now moving onto water safety in swimming. Alongside their normal swimming clothes, they need a top and bottoms for the next 2 weeks.

#### **4FRONT THEATRE – WHOLE SCHOOL (TUE 6<sup>TH</sup> DEC)**

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, our whole school is heading to Garstang Free Methodist Church along with Garstang Community School to see Jilly Rogers' Christmas Adventure. There is no cost for this visit and it is covered in our local visit consent.

#### **YEAR 5 LAMDA EXAMS**

Year 5 have their LAMDA exams next Friday. All the children are doing really well in their LAMDA sessions. They just need their photograph and their smile!

#### **PRIMARY ADMISSIONS (RECEPTION CLASS 2023)**

The deadline for applying for a primary school place is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022. For further information and to book a school visit, please visit:

<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/admissions/>

#### **REMINDER: CHRISTMAS DINNER**

At GST School we LOVE Christmas. Our Christmas dinner is always very special. As usual, we'll book every child (Reception to Year 6) a Christmas dinner. If anyone does not want a school dinner, please e-mail: [admin@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk). The cost is £2.40 for children in KS2.

#### **REMINDER: ADMISSION POLICY 2024 CONSULTATION**

We are consulting on our admissions policy for September 2024. We are not proposing any changes. Please read about the consultation here:

<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/admissions-policy-consultation/>

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

Wednesday Worship: Compassion

#### **DIARY DATES**

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y5 visit to Booths (local visit)  
**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y5 carol singing in Garstang  
**Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y2 Educational visit  
**Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec:** Y5 LAMDA exams (info to follow)  
**Tue 6<sup>th</sup> Dec:** 4Front Theatre (GFM church)  
**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Nasal Flu Vaccination for Reception to Year 6 (see below)  
**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Reception Nativity in school 2:15pm and 6:15pm  
**Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Nursery Nativity 2:15pm  
**Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Y2 Nativity in church 6:15pm  
**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Y1 Nativity in church 6:15pm  
**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:** After School Christmas party  
**Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Christmas jumper day/ non-uniform and Christmas lunch  
**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Whole school end of term worship in church 9:15am (visitors welcome)  
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec:** last day of term

#### **STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS:**

 **ISABELLE ASPINALL**   
**ALICE JACK**   
 **ELEANOR BOARDMAN**   
**THEO MELVILLE**  
**MARCIE RICE**   
**BETHANY PROCTER**   
**FRANKY FOSTER**   
**JACK HILTON**   
**BRANNA HAGGAN**   
**ANNELISE HADDOW**   
 **GEORGE JURIN**   
 **JONPAUL MARCINKIW**   
**LILY MORTON** 

**BREAKFAST CLUB - GRACE DAWSON**  
**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - SETH BEARD**

These children will receive their awards in next week's Friday Celebration

**Y4 HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THE PLAGUE AT ASTLEY HALL THIS WEEK. THEY'VE HAD A GREAT DAY. 😊**



**2 DISCOS - 190 CHILDREN. GREAT FUN! THANK YOU SO MUCH GST PTFA. ❤️**





# GARSTANG ST THOMAS NURSERY



MESSAGE FROM MRS WILSON:

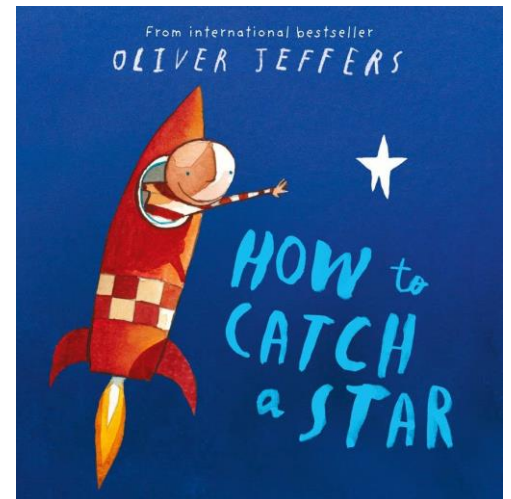
Good afternoon everyone,

This week we have been continuing with our darkness theme with a focus on stars. We have read 'How to catch a star' by Oliver Jeffers and a lovely story called 'Star in a jar'. We have been singing Twinkle twinkle little star ☆ which has fitted in perfectly with our Nativity play singing practice. We looked at Van Gogh's Starry Night painting and then painted our own Starry Night by mixing different shades of blue and using cotton buds to paint. We listened to some calming music whilst looking at a starry sky on the big screen practising being still and relaxing.

In phonics we have been focusing on instrumental sounds playing different musical instruments and encouraging the children to think about the sounds they make. In maths we have been practising rote counting - reciting numbers in order, the children loved it when the puppet got it wrong! We have started to practise out nativity play and some of us even got to go on the stage!

The Nursery Team 😊

Nursery Contact: Rachel Procter: [nursery@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk) 01995 603454



# Thank You

APB Cleaning Services  
B+S Supplies  
Barkers Pet Shop  
Best Wishes  
Bowland Frames  
Bradshaws Farm Shop  
Bristles and Paws  
Coars Country store  
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Dream Garstang  
Garstang Physiotherapy Clinic  
Garstang Quality Meats  
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HEALTHY HABIT MASTERCLASS VOUCHER  
£30 VOUCHER  
VOUCHER FOR REFORMERS PILATES CLASS  
£20 VOUCHER  
HAMPER  
VOUCHER  
MACH MINI HAIR STRAIGHTNERS  
£10 VOUCHER  
MARMALADE OF LONDON LUXURY CANDLE  
HAMPER  
3 PAIRS HANDMADE EARRINGS

# Thank You

Louisa John  
Love Homes  
Nails and Beauty by Jane  
Our Kitchen Table  
Preesall Indoor Archery and Air Rifle Centre  
Rose Petal Fitness  
Skiddle  
Skiddle  
Sweets  
The Bay Horse Inn  
The Flower Bowl  
The Flower Shop  
The Hidden Salon  
The Kitchen Tap  
The Priory Inn Scorton  
The Smelly Bakery  
The Uniform & Leisurewear Company Ltd  
Timpsons  
Victoria Brown Therapy  
Vintage Attic of Garstang

CLARINS HAMPER  
BOTTLE FOR HAMPER  
FM PERFUME  
VOUCHER  
1HR ARCHERY FOR UPTO 6 PEOPLE  
VOUCHER FOR 5 CLASSES  
FAMILY TICKET THURS-SAT HIGHEST POINT  
2X FAMILY TICKET HIGHEST POINT FAMILY DAY  
£5 VOUCHER  
2 COURSE SUNDAY LUNCH FOR 2  
4x BEGGINNERS CURLING SKILLS  
PLANT  
£20 HAIR VOUCHER FOR MICHELLE  
£20 VOUCHER  
AFTERNOON TEA VOUCHER  
GIFT BAG  
£20 VOUCHER  
PURSE, MAICURE SET, SCARF  
1HR REFLEXOLOGY VOUCHER  
SARAH MOSELY LUXURY CANDLE



Christians Together  
in Garstang

INVITE YOU TO

Carol  
Singing in  
the Square

**CHERESTANC SQUARE  
(Outside Booths)**

**SATURDAY  
10TH DECEMBER  
3 - 3.45PM**

If wet this will be held in the URC Hall

A red shield-shaped logo with a white border. Inside the shield, the text "GARSTANG" is written in a white, sans-serif font, flanked by two small white stars. Below "GARSTANG", the words "CHRISTMAS LIGHTS" are written in a larger, white, stylized font. The shield is decorated with several white stars and snowflake-like symbols of varying sizes.

Join us at the market cross on Monday 28th November at 6pm for our family friendly traditional switch on event. This year we're being joined by choirs from our local primary school and musicians from our local High School



Plus we've got hot food from The Happy Cook available too!





Sunday 4th December 2022  
at 5:30pm

Join us to switch on the Christmas tree lights in Catterall  
and to sing carols around the tree.

This will be followed by hot drinks, mince pies and  
children's activities in Catterall Village Hall.

Please walk and bring a torch.

Catterall Village Hall, Queen Elizabeth Playing Field.



 Catterall Parish Council



# You are Welcome!

**We're offering everyone a very warm welcome this winter...**

The churches in Garstang want to offer you a very warm welcome this winter as we're opening up our premises for company, chat, refreshments and sometimes food over the cold winter months.

It's free of charge and everyone in the community's welcome.

## **Monday**

**St Thomas' Church**  
Food Club  
Brews and chat  
9:30 - 11:30am

## **Tuesday**

**Garstang Free Methodist Church**  
Drinks and reasonably priced light lunches  
12 - 4pm

## **Wednesday**

**Garstang Free Methodist Church**  
Drinks and reasonably priced light lunches  
12 - 4pm  
**United Reformed Church**  
Tea & Chat  
2 - 4pm (Third Wednesday of each month)

## **Thursday**

**United Reformed Church**  
Coffee morning and reasonably priced items  
10am - 12 noon (First Thursday of each month)

## **Friday**

**Garstang Free Methodist Church**  
Drinks and reasonably priced light lunches  
12 - 4pm

## **Saturday**

(during December)  
**St Mary and St Michael's Catholic Church**  
Drinks and mince pies  
10.30am - 12.30pm

No need to be on your own and cold this winter come along, relax and enjoy not only the warm surroundings but also the company.





**TIME TO CHECK YOUR FIRE ALARM/ CO2 MONITOR?**

It's Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week. Information is available here: <https://www.coalarmssavelives.com/>

Get your own personalised fire safety advice from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service:

<https://www.lancsfireandrescue.org.uk/contact-us/home-fire-safety/>

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## USEFUL SCHOOL INFORMATION

- School times are available here:  
<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/school-day-times/>
- Full term dates are available here:  
[https://schoolcalendar.lancashire.gov.uk/view/schoolCalendarV.asp?p\\_rec=02046](https://schoolcalendar.lancashire.gov.uk/view/schoolCalendarV.asp?p_rec=02046)
- Uniform, Hair and Jewellery Information:  
[https://www.garstangstthomas.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/02046\\_UniformHairJewellery2022-2023.pdf](https://www.garstangstthomas.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/02046_UniformHairJewellery2022-2023.pdf)
- Breakfast and After-School Club booking information is available here:  
<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/school-office-forms/>
- School swimming information (Year 3 are going swimming on Wednesday afternoons)  
<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/swimming/>
- School curriculum information:  
<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/curriculum/>



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