

GARSTANG ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



YEAR 6 LONDON RESIDENTIAL

A huge well done to Year 6 for a great time in London earlier this week. Thank you to Mrs Stewart, Ms Wood and Dr Laing for a great visit.

PARENTS' EVENING

We are planning to hold parents' evening, in school, on the 8th and 9th of November. Invitations to book a time slot will be sent out shortly.

COATS & PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Please ensure your child has a coat in school each day with their name on it. We continue with learning and breaktimes outside in most weather conditions. Please ensure all belongings, including lunch boxes, are named. Thank you.

ROADWORKS ON FAIRNAPE DRIVE/ KEPPLE LANE

Electricity North West has shared with us that they plan to conduct work in the area for 4 weeks. As a reminder, parents/carers are welcome to park on the church car park (remember to get a free ticket) or the scout hut car park.

PTFA EVENTS

Please see below in the newsletter about the PTFA disco on Thursday 19th October and also a message from Claire, our PTFA chair.

ROAD SAFETY

Today we've reminded our youngest children to wait for their adult before going near the school gate/ crossing patrol. Please reinforce this message so we are keeping the gate clear and keeping children safe. Thank you.

APPLYING FOR SCHOOL PLACES- FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

The deadline for applying for a secondary school place is 31st October 2023. The deadline for applying for a Reception class school place is 15th January 2024. Apply online at the [Lancashire County Council website](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/).

REDMINDER: TEMPEST – SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The closing date for free delivery back to school is Sunday 15th October. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk. If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Friday 13th October

2023/2024 is our ★Year of Service ★

Rev. Michael: Harvest Thankfulness

Wed: Open the Book

DIARY DATES

Tue 17th Oct: Reception vision screening
Thu 19th Oct: Y2 educational visit
Thu 19th Oct: Y5 educational visits
Thu 19th Oct: PTFA disco
Fri 20th Oct: Y2 local visit to High Street and Aldi
Mon 23rd Oct: Start of half term break
Tue 31st Oct: Return to school
Fri 3rd Nov: Reception educational visit
Tue 7th Nov: Y4 educational visit
Wed 8th Nov & Thu 9th Nov: Parents' evening
Fri 8th Dec: Y4 LAMDA exams – further information to follow
Wed 20th Dec: last day of term
Full term dates are listed on our [website](#).

STARS OF THE WEEK

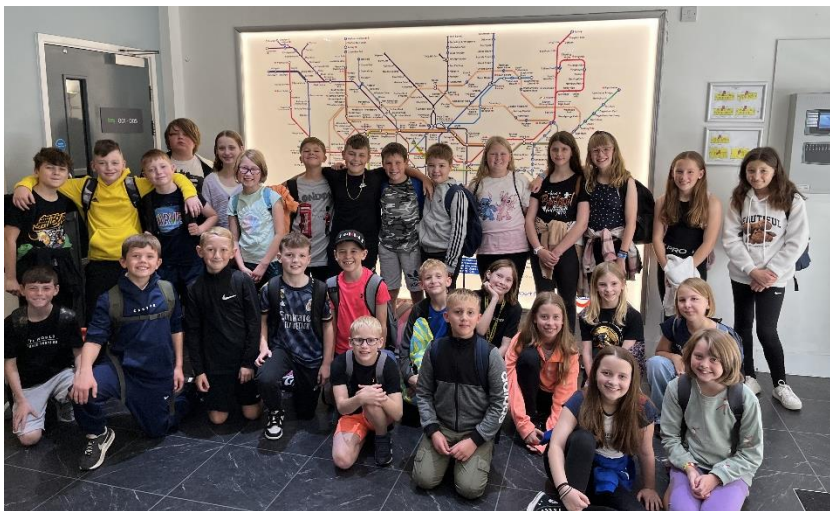
REGGIE BAINBRIDGE
THOMAS CHAMBERS
GEORGE TSUCHNIKAS
BRUCE HADDOW
ALFIE WOODBURN
FRANK SOUTHWELL
ARIANA MITCHELL
CHARLIE DAVIS
CHARLOTTE PORTER
GEORGINA GREEN
MOLLY SOUTHWELL
HARRY BILLINGTON
PIPPA ROWLANDSON
ANNELISE HADDOW
SOPHIE CHERRETT
ARCHIE BEESLEY
MARNIE PARSONS

Breakfast club and after school club:

ARTHUR ROWBOTTOM
LUCY DUCKWORTH

Awards will be given in next week's Friday Celebration

YEAR 6 LONDON VISIT





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OTHER USEFUL 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

Uniform, Hair and Jewellery Information:

https://www.garstangstthomas.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/02046_UniformHairJewellery-2023-2024.pdf

Breakfast and After-School Club booking information is available here:

<https://www.garstangstthomas.com/school-office-forms/>

School swimming information (Year 2 are going swimming on Wednesday afternoons from September)

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

School curriculum information:

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



Garstang St Thomas PTFA

GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE PUMPKIN COMPETITION

Thank you to Mammoth Onion for providing a giant
pumpkin as a fantastic prize!

More information about enteries next
week. Winner drawn Thursday 19th
October.

50p per go

MESSAGE FROM PTFA CHAIR, CLAIRE

Hello parents. We are holding a Christmas raffle to be drawn at the end of December. I would like to keep the prizes from local businesses where possible and will advertise the business in any publicity. As a start I am asking if you, or anyone you work for, would be willing to donate a prize. We are looking for hampers or items to go in hampers, shopping/meal/drink vouchers, free classes, free cleans, experience days, electrical items etc. We will be selling tickets to parents and to the general public.

If there is something you could offer or know anyone in particular I would need to contact then please let me know by 3rd November. Please drop items into the school office or contact Claire 07951553698 or email clwhiteside174@aol.com

Many thanks

Claire

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

New this year is our Christmas jumper Sale. If you have any unwanted Christmas clothing you would be happy to donate, we will have a box outside the office the week after half term.

GARSTANG ST THOMAS
PTFA DISCO

TUCK SHOP AND
ADDITIONAL GLOW
ITEMS FOR KS2

£3 PER TICKET INCLUDES DRINK,
SNACK AND GLOW STICK

GLOW
STICKS AT
THE READY

19TH OCTOBER 2023
6PM - 6,50PM REC & KS1
7PM - 8PM KS2

St Thomas' Church, Garstang



BABY LOSS AWARENESS SERVICE

A short service for anyone who has experienced loss of a baby, pregnancy loss of any kind, or infertility concerns.

There will be time to light candles.

SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER, 2PM

michael@stthomasgarstang.org // 07933533205



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**MY MUM SAID IT USED
TO BE DIFFERENT.**

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Souls of our Shoes

An exhibition to raise awareness of domestic abuse



St Thomas' Church, Garstang.
26-30th November
10.00-16.00

MothersUNION
Christian care for families

Antiques & collectables Valuation Roadshow



St Thomas's Church

Church St, Garstang, PR3 1PA

Wednesday 18th October

12 - 6pm

Adam Partridge and his team will be giving valuations on all your antiques, collectables, coins, jewellery watches etc.

Donations for valuations

£2 per item or £5 for 3 or more items

£5 for unlimited record valuations

All funds raised are going to improving the church heating facilities.

Refreshments available

Come along and meet

Adam Partridge

between 1pm - 3pm.

Chat with him about his tv shows, the world of antiques or his love of rescuing animals.



Steven Parkinson MNAVA

Senior valuer based at Catterall office
All antiques & Collectables especially jewellery, watches, coins, all art, modern art, pottery & porcelain, art, toys etc.



Jeff Anderson

Vintage vinyl records



Nikki Hale

Her specialist area is boutique, fashion, designer vintage and luxury designer items.

What if your treasures are worth a fortune and you want to sell them?
Our valuers will give you an itemised receipt and enter it/them in to the next live internet auction.

For more information regarding this valuation event please call Steven Parkinson on 01772 347 380