



Friday 14th June, 2024

## Head Teacher's Weekly Update

Dear Families,

I would like to begin with a special mention of our Year 11's and 13's who continue to conduct themselves with such maturity and commitment during their exams. It was lovely to see our Year 11 pupils having their shirt signing event on Wednesday - who knew this would become such a great tradition of Year 11 transition! These moments matter to our young people and it is wonderful to see the friendships and bonds they have made over the years here at St Thomas More. Not long now until they have all completed their examinations and are ready for their Prom on the 4th July.

### Prayer Theme

**"Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."**

**Mark 3: 20 - 35**

- We have prayed together as a community:

**Dear God,**

***How amazing to realise that by grace through faith in Christ I have become a member of Your holy, heavenly family and that in Him I have the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting. Thank you for this amazing relationship that I have in Christ Jesus.***

**Amen**

### Spotlight on Extra Curricular

- We have two new clubs this term based on pupil voice.
- DJ Club on Wednesday lunchtimes.
- Debate Club on Thursday lunchtimes.
- It is great to have pupils leading and organising groups.
- We would encourage all pupils to try something new!
- This is a part of a pupils' personal development.



## DEBATECLUB



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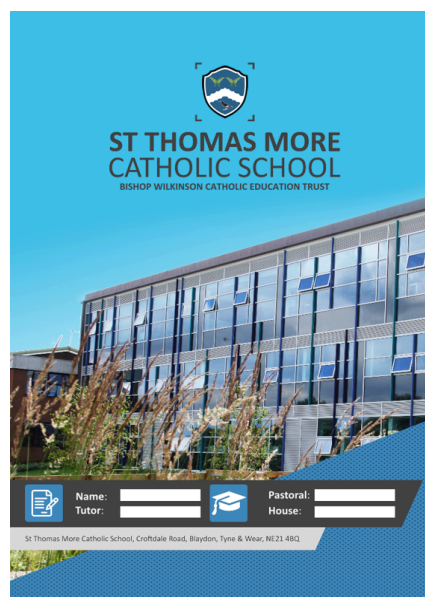


### Key Stage 3 End of Year Assessments

- Good luck to all Key Stage 3 pupils who have their end of year exams beginning next week, spanning the two weeks.
- Pupils have been given the dates of their assessments and as such should have these written in their diaries to help them to develop their levels of independence and organisation when revising and sitting assessments.

### School Diaries 2024/2025

- Due to increased production costs, we are asking for contribution towards school diaries for next the academic year.
- If you are able to support us with this, we are asking for £2.50 per pupil which you can pay on parentpay.
- It is vitally important that pupils take care of their diary as it is an essential part of their school life and needs to be with them in school every day.
- Payment details will be posted on ParentPay.



### INSET Date reminder

- Our next INSET day is Friday 28th June 2024.
- School is closed to all pupils on that day thank you.

Please follow us on social media (**Facebook and Twitter STM\_CS\_Blaydon**) where we share regular updates from our school community. As always if you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch using the pastoral email addresses below:

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Yours sincerely,  
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