



Friday 17th January 2025

Head Teacher's Weekly Update

Dear Families,

It has been another lovely week in school and thankfully a bit milder. Thank you for your support in getting your child to school on time. Please note that the school gates close at 8.40am and if your child arrives after this time, unless it has been as a result of an issue outside their control, they will be issued with a same day detention after school. Excellent punctuality and attendance is a priority for us all to ensure everyone can receive the best possible pastoral care and education every school day.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.** of

Prayer Theme

***"And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape, as a dove upon him; and a voice came from heaven:
Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased" - Luke 3: 15 - 22.***

- We have prayed together as a community:

Dear God,

***Thank You for calling us Your beloved children. Help us to remember our baptism and the mission You have given us to share Your love. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit so we may follow Jesus' example of humility and service. May we bring light to others and lead them closer to You. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.***



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Electrically Powered Motorcycles Assembly

- Thank you to our local neighbourhood policing officers for delivering a very important assembly this week on the dangers and the law on electronically assisted pedal cycles, electric motorcycles and scooters.
- Many are classed as motor vehicles, and as such require a licence and insurance.
- They are not suitable for children and the force has seen a rise in accidents and injuries in the region.



Termly Curriculum Overviews [KS3 & 4]

- Please find a link to our year group curriculum overview letters.
- At St Thomas More, we firmly believe that strong partnerships between home and school are key to pupil success, and we deeply value the role you play in supporting your child's education.
[Curriculum overview letters link](#)



Year 10 and 12 Assessment Week

- A huge well done to all of our Year 10 and 12 pupils this week who have undertaken their first formal assessment week for this exam period.
- I am proud of how they have approached their revision.
- Thank you to staff and families who have supported pupils so well.



Year 12 Work Experience Week

- A reminder for Year 12 parents and carers that their work experience week takes place next week Monday 20th - Friday 24th January.
- I hope they all have a wonderful time and really embrace the opportunities given to them.



Please follow us on social media (**Facebook and Twitter STM_CS_Blaydon**) where we share regular updates from our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Turner
Head Teacher