



MORE NEWS 16th January 2026



SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Mission: The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

On Sunday 11th, we celebrated the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, where we celebrate Jesus being baptised by John the Baptist and revealing him as the Son of God. The children shared their Baptismal candles, and reflected on how they can be bold in their faith and in their learning.



Mass Times



A reminder that Mass times are:

Thursday

10am - Saint Thomas More (Year 2 Class Mass)

Saturday

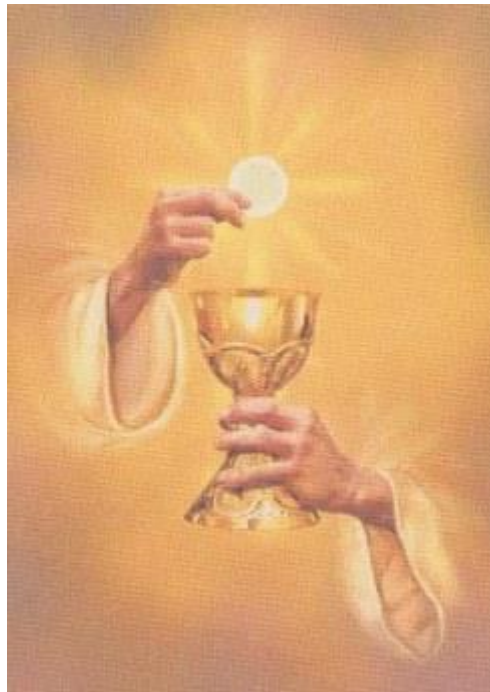
5pm - Vigil Saint Thomas More

Sunday

9am - Saint Thomas More (includes Little Church)

11am - Saint Joseph the Worker

First Holy Communion Preparation



It was wonderful to see so many of Year 3 First Communicants at Mass on Sunday, as they made their Sacramental commitments. Further dates for preparation will be released shortly.

- **Saturday 7th March 12 noon - Reconciliation**
 - **Sunday 17th May 9am - First Holy Communion**
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Nursery Learning

Our Nursery children have been busy learning about the Sacrament of Baptism. The children had a visit from Father Simon, who talked to the children about how water is used in Baptism. The children enjoying re-enacting a Baptism and sharing their own Baptismal items with the class.



SATs and Dol-y-Moch Information Evening

*Year 6 parents are warmly invited to join us for a SATs and Dol-y-Moch information evening on **Thursday 22nd January at 5pm**. This session will provide key details about both the upcoming SATs and the Dol-y-Moch residential, as well as an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you there.*

Children's Boot Fund



We are delighted to share that the Coventry Children's Boot Fund is now fully open and ready to support families once again.

*They are pleased to announce their new partnership with **Clarks**, enabling them to continue providing high-quality shoes for children across Coventry.*

*Families are encouraged to submit their application forms **as soon as possible**.*

Please visit [their website](#) for more information.

Parent Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA)

Please join the PTFA Termly Meeting - Monday 19 January 2026



MEETING

DATE



19th Jan 2026

VENUE



STM / MST

TIME



18:30 - 19:30

ALL WELCOME



For up to date information please scan the QR code to join the PTFA WhatsApp



If you would like to contact the PTFA directly please email: STM-PTFA@hccmac.co.uk

If you haven't signed up to the PTFA lottery please use the QR code to follow the steps to sign up. You have the chance to win the first prize of £50!!

FOR FULL DETAILS & TO SIGN UP SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO: <https://forms.gle/Huw9CCvrtqzdg5k47>
ANY QUERIES PLEASE EMAIL: stm-ptfa@hccmac.co.uk

	<p>£1 month 11 draws a year Sept-July Allocated number No number limit Must be aged 16+</p>		<p>WINNER 1st prize £50 2nd prize £10 3rd prize £5 Amazon e-Gift Voucher</p>
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Congratulations to the December Draw Lotto Winners

1st Prize - No. 65 - Laura Donnelly

2nd Prize - No. 19 - Nicole Rooney

3rd Prize - No. 10 - Hayley Twaite

ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT!

Congratulations to many of you as your child's attendance is improving. We do appreciate all your support and encouragement to get your children into school. This is typically the time of year that our children pick up bugs as they tire towards the end of term. So if your child is genuinely too poorly to be in school, please keep them at home. However, if in doubt send them in and we will always call you if we need to.

As of today the overall attendance of the whole school is 95.24% which is higher than the national average of 94.6%.

We aim to achieve 95% or more each year. We monitor all pupils' attendance and will contact you (often by letter and text message) if their attendance is getting lower than we'd expect or your child has had low attendance in the past. Please don't be offended - we have a duty to keep you informed of things that can affect your child's progress and/or wellbeing.

*Lastly, please remember that term-time holidays **will not be authorised** and, in many cases, will result in a Fixed Penalty Notice (fine) being issued.*

Whole school attendance so far this year is 95.15%

Attendance this week is as follows:

- Year Reception - 95%
 - Year 1 - 92.67%
 - Year 2 - 98%
 - Year 3 - 98.13%
 - Year 4 - 97.81%
 - Year 5 - 99.48%
 - Year 6 - 98.66%
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IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

- *Monday 19th January 6:30pm PTFA Meeting*
 - *Tuesday 20th January - Boys Football Match vs. Christ the King (Away)*
 - *Wednesday 21st January - Netball Match vs. St. Osburg's (Home)*
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FEBRUARY 2026

- *Wednesday 4th February - Year 6 Confirmation Retreat Day*
 - *Friday 6th February - PTFA Disco*
 - *Saturday 7th February - Year 6 Confirmation Preparation Session and Rehearsal*
 - ***Tuesday 10th February - Confirmation***
 - *Wednesday 11th February - Year 3 Class Mass*
 - *Friday 13th February - Break up for Half Term Break*
 - *Half Term Break (16 to 20 Feb)*
 - *Monday 23rd February - Wednesday 25th February - Bags to School*
 - *Tuesday 24th February - Come and Pray in Lent (Years 1 & 2)*
 - *Wednesday 25th February - Netball Match vs. Holy Family (Home)*
 - *Thursday 26th February - Whole School Mass*
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MARCH

- *Tuesday 3rd March - Come and Pray in Lent (Years 4 & 5)*
 - *Thursday 5th March - Year 5 Class Mass*
 - *Thursday 5th March - World Book Day, including Aaron Ashmore Author Visit*
 - *Thursday 5th March - Netball Match vs. St. Augustine's (Home)*
 - *Saturday 7th March - First Reconciliation*
 - *Monday 9th - Friday 13th March - Dol-y-Moch*
 - *Tuesday 10th March - Come and Pray in Lent (Years Nursery & 3)*
 - *Thursday 12th March - Year 4 Class Mass*
 - *Thursday 19th March - Year 3 Mass*
 - *Tuesday 24th March - Come and pray in Lent (Years R & 6)*
 - *Thursday 26th March - Stations of the Cross*
 - *TERM BREAK (30 Mar to 10 Apr)*
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MAY

- *Mon 04 May - Bank Holiday*
 - *Mon 25 to Fri 29 - Half Term Break*
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JULY

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- *Fri 03 July- INSET DAY (School closed for students)*
 - *Mon 20 Jul - INSET DAY (School closed for students)*
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