

## St Thomas' C of E Junior and Infant School

# A Journey in Faith, Arriving with Hope

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# **September Newsletter**

Our first newsletter of the academic year, and already we have been extremely busy at school.

A very warm welcome to our new families who have started with us at St Thomas'.

### Year 3 and the Stone Age

For their history topic the children in Year 3 have been looking at life during the Stone Age. To aid their understanding they took part in a fantastic visit to Tatton Park.





#### **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon and Cake Sale**

A huge thanks to everyone who supported the event, either by donating cakes or coming along to support. You helped us to raise £221.



## **Meet the Teacher**

Our meet the teacher sessions were well attended and it was a great opportunity for parents to meet the new classteachers and find out all about their year group.

#### **Attendance Trip**

The Year 5 class enjoyed a great day at Scotsman's Flash last week. This was a treat for them winning the class attendance race last year. The children had a great time kayaking, canoeing and raft building.



#### **Our Attendance Officer**

This year the school will be working in partnership with Wigan Council Attendance Service which is a dedicated, highly skilled team of individuals that specialise in all areas of school attendance to support children and young people (aged 4-16) when absence becomes a barrier to learning. From data monitoring and preparation for OFSTED to specialised case work and statutory enforcement progression. The Attendance Service works in partnership with schools to identify young people's needs, develop interventions and secure positive outcomes. The team works tirelessly to improve the prospects and opportunities for young people of our Borough.

Our key worker from the service is Mike Roberts who will be working in school on a regular basis. If you need to contact him please do so via the School Office.



#### **Diary Dates**

Thursday 10th October—World Mental Health Day.

Friday 11th October, 9am—Whole school harvest service in church. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Monday 14th October—Individual and family photos

Friday 18th October, 3pm—Break up for half term

Monday 28th October, 8.40am—School starts.

Wednesday 30th October—Year 4 residential to Hinning House Outdoor Education Centre.