

# St Thomas' Church of England Junior and Infant School

## Newsletter—13th January 2023

### Our Value for January is Peace.

#### SIAMS Report

We were extremely pleased and proud of our SIAMS report from the inspection we had on December 9th. The report highlights the many strengths we have as a school and the fantastic opportunities we provide for all our children.

The deeply rooted Christian vision and values inspire a shared and cultural understanding of the school as a family. The vision is the driving force that enables pupils and adults to flourish in a supportive and loving school community.

Pupils demonstrate care for each other and understand that in doing so it enables everyone to flourish. They are enthusiastic about the roles and responsibilities they hold in school.

Behaviour is very good throughout the school, characterised by respect and a care for others. They demonstrate high expectations of themselves and their peers, resulting in a happy and supportive environment.

Staff use big questions encouraging pupils to take ownership of their learning and develop their own ideas to explore. As a result of the approaches taken to teaching and the creative ways pupils are encouraged to share their learning, pupils enjoy RE and can make links between theological concepts.

Golborne St Thomas is a loving school with a deep sense of family. It is a respectful, inclusive community which values all. It aspires for every pupil and adult to be inspired, succeed and achieve their God-given potential.

#### Dates for the term.

19th January, 9.15am—Year 6 class assembly.

6th February—Mental Health Week.

17th February—School closes for half term.

27th February—School opens.

9th March, 9.15am—Year 1 class assembly.

27th March—Parents' Evening

28th March—Parents' Evening.

More dates will be given as the term progresses.

#### Teaching and Learning.

The children in all year groups have enjoyed coming back to school to start their new topics and areas of learning. The children in Reception have been working really hard on counting and ordering numbers.



#### Staffing Update

As you are aware, Miss Sinclair retired from St Thomas' at Christmas. Mrs Costelloe is our new Teaching Assistant and will be working with some of the children in Year 2 and 4.

Miss Maloney, our Year 2 teacher is expecting her first baby in the summer which is very exciting news for everyone.

#### Attendance

Reception—95%

Year 1—90%

Year 2—93%

Year 3—92%

Year 4—94%

Year 5—92%

Year 6—93%