

# St Thomas' Church of England Junior and Infant School

## Newsletter—13th September 2024

### Our Value for September is Respect.

#### Welcome back.

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back for the start of the new academic year. The children look very smart in their new uniforms and have settled really well into their new classes. Our new Reception children have now completed their first full week at school and it has been lovely to see their confidence grow each day.

We have also welcomed 3 new staff members to St Thomas'; Mrs Dunnington, Mr Evans and Mrs Bartlett who are a great asset to our staff team.

#### School Games Award.

We were delighted to find out this week that we have been awarded the Gold School Games Award. This is in recognition of the high quality PE we deliver in school and the range of sporting opportunities available to our children. The children are able to participate in a range of intra and inter competitions throughout the year.

#### Education Sunday.

On Sunday September 29<sup>th</sup> Education Sunday is being celebrated. This is a special Sunday where churches across the country pray for all those who work in education and all who learn. It has been celebrated for over 100 years. Education Sunday is an opportunity for communities to give thanks for the gift of education. On this date, instead of holding the morning service in church it will be held in our school hall at 10.30am.

All children and their families are invited to attend the service which will be a very enjoyable experience. Refreshments will be available after the service.

#### Our Curriculum.

We are proud of the exciting curriculum we provide the children. All classes have started new topics and are already learning new information and skills.

African mask making in Year 2.

