



The Three Saints Academy Trust

"If you can believe, all things are possible to those who believe."

Mark 9:23

Newsletter

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St Ann's Church of England Primary



St Mary & St Thomas C.E. Primary

Message from the CEO & MD

We welcome you to the third and final newsletter of the academic year. We have had a busy and successful year across the trust and should pause and celebrate our achievements.

It is with some sadness that we say goodbye to 2 excellent members of staff who have made a huge contribution to our schools over a long number of years; Mr Brooks at St Mary & St Thomas will retire in July after 22 years at St Mary's. He will be hugely missed and has made a real difference to children's lives during his time as a teacher. Mrs Foulds will retire from St Ann's after 27 years at the school. Mrs Foulds will also be really missed by staff and children alike and her recently winning teaching assistant of the year in the Echo Awards in June, goes some way to explaining the impact she has had. We send them off with our love and prayers as they start their next adventures.

Miss Slingsby will leave St Mary & St Thomas in July, she will be very much missed but we will see her often as she will be the new Headteacher at Spinney Avenue. Mr Tilley also leaves St Ann's to take up his new teaching post at Allanson Street.

Thank you to all the staff who are leaving for all they have done for our children and schools. We have now started our consultation for the new school we are hoping to open. Please go to www.threesaintsacademy to register your support and read about our proposal for a 2-16 all-through school in the West District of St Helens.

We all know that our schools are much more than our excellent exam and assessment results, they are vibrant exciting places of learning, where children are given opportunities that will shape them as people and allow them to find their passions in life-long learning. The reports below from the schools really demonstrate the exciting places our schools are and the huge debt we owe to the tireless work of all our staff to make this possible.

We would like to thank all our families and their wonderful children for supporting the schools this year and we wish you a safe and happy summer and look forward to working with you again next academic year.

Best Wishes

Kirsty Hlaw – CEO & Executive Principal

Rebecca Wilkinson – MD & Executive Principal



News from St Mary & St Thomas

Believe, Achieve, Shine

SIAMS INSPECTION

We were very pleased to have been awarded 'Outstanding' in all areas in our SIAMS inspection which took place earlier this term. Here is an excerpt from the report: '...school leaders ensure that every child has the opportunity to flourish within the context of a distinctively Christian setting. This is borne out by excellent academic standards, exemplary behaviour and the positive, personal development of pupils. Christian values are observed in action through constructive, professional relationships.' Well done to all involved.

Fun Day

We have once again celebrated our Fun Day this term and it was bigger and better than ever. We had a range of activities for the children and families to part in including the inflatable assault course and 'Beat the Knight' which proved to be very popular. Thank you to our families that came to support us and raise funds for our school.



End of year trips

The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed our end of year trips which have included: 'Playdays' for Nursery pupils; 'Windmill Farm' for Reception; 'Imagine That' for Y1&2, Manchester Museum of Science & Industry for Y3; 'Rock 'N' River' for Y4&5 and 'Castle Howard Bushcraft' for Y6 pupils. All pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their end of year trips.



Change for Life Week

This term we have held our very own Change for Life week which focussed on promoting health and wellbeing for all of our pupils and families. We managed to pack a lot into the week and the pupils talked about it afterwards for weeks! Here is a taster of what we got up to...



We invited the Healthy Living team into school to work with our classes- here they are working with Nursery on an 'Sow, grow an Eat' session. They also worked with KS2 pupils on different activities.

We used 'Military Style Education' to put our pupils through their paces and this physical day included zorbing, soccer darts and many more activities to show how exercise can be fun and something to enjoy with friends.



KS2 Confirmation

We would like to say congratulations to Nikitta, Abbie and Bradley from KS2 who were confirmed at St Thomas' Church, Ashton in July after completing their confirmation courses.

Y4 'Archbishop of York Leadership' Award

This year Y4 have completed the 'Archie' award which is designed to promote leadership skills in pupils and designed to get them involved in the local community. Y4 helped St Thomas' Church, Ecclestone to host their very first summer fayre.





News from St Ann's

Always our best for God, each other and ourselves.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mrs Foulds on winning the Support Staff of the year at the Liverpool Echo Teaching Awards. This is a fantastic achievement but thoroughly deserved as her dedication and commitment to St Ann's is outstanding. We are all incredibly proud of her.



KINGSWOOD

The children in Year 3 had a brilliant time at Kingswood. They learned archery, climbing and enjoyed the nightline and caving. Their behaviour was exceptional.



AFTERNOON TEA

Some of our pupils have enjoyed afternoon tea with Mrs Wilkinson. This celebrates children who are working hard to achieve the expected standard, for their year group, across Reading, Writing and Maths.



BUSHCRAFT

Year 4 had a fantastic residential trip with The Bushcraft Company. They all enjoyed a fun-filled three days, cooking burgers on an open fire (made by them), rescuing injured people in the wilderness and camping out over night with friends. The children were all amazing and showed excellent teamwork in every activity.



FRANCE

A group of our Year 5 and 6 pupils have had a fabulous trip to France. An enjoyable time was had by all.



ARTS WEEK

The focus of the week was taken from the book, 'What to do with a Box'. Using their imaginations and creativity, every child produced 3D artwork using cardboard boxes. We celebrated the week with an exhibition of the work produced. Over the course of the week, every class created animation videos, building cardboard labo kits and exploring how we can create art using technology.



SUMMER FIZZ

At our annual Summer Fizz we were treated to some wonderful performances from all our musicians and from our school choir.

