



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



St Michael with St Thomas C.E. Primary

Message from the Chief Executive Officer

We are delighted to welcome you to our 17th edition of The Three Saints Academy Trust newsletter and the final one for this academic year.

2020-21 has been a very difficult year for all our children, families and staff, we have had to deal with unprecedented events that we would never have thought could happen to our lives. Many of us have seen illness and suffered bereavements, we have been anxious and worried about our futures. But along with all this we have seen kindness and compassion and a resilience that has been inspiring. This has been especially true for the children in all our schools. As we come to the end of this school year we are hopeful that these difficult times are behind us. We look to the new school year with hope that we can return to some of the events and activities we all enjoy and have missed over the last 18 months.

The summer term has been busy and despite some classes having to isolate all our schools and children have worked hard. We can already see how well our children are responding in class to their learning and they are catching up quickly. The schools have done their best to include some of the activities we would normally carry out in the summer term, if not in quite the same way. You will see this in the following school pages.

We hope all our families and staff are able to enjoy some rest and relaxation over the summer break, we thank you for your support this year and look forward to working with all our families once again when we return to school on Thursday 2nd September.

Kirsty Tennyson
Chief Executive Officer
Three Saints Academy Trust



News from St Mary & St Thomas

Believe, Achieve, Shine

THE GREAT SCIENCE SHARE!

On the 15th June our school took part in the Great Science Share – an international science day organised by the Royal Society. Our children were able to compose and send their science questions in to be answered by real scientists, led by Professor Brian Cox. We spent all day investigating answers to our questions and had an amazing time working scientifically.



OUR OWN DRAGON'S DEN CELEBRITY

Helen Davies, mum to Kiera (Y1) and Elora (Y5) appeared on Dragons' Den which aired on Thursday 27th May 2021. Helen is the founder and CEO of Easytots which is a one-stop shop for baby weaning products. Helen was successful in her Dragons' Den pitch which led to Sara Davies MBE investing in her company. This is a very exciting time for Helen and her family, and we would like to wish her the best of luck in the future. Here is the link to a newspaper article outlining Helen's journey whilst in the den. Helen is a member of our school committee and she also has volunteered her time at school to talk to the children about careers and the world of work. We think she is a fantastic role model for our pupils! Well done Helen!

<https://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/19342948.mum-tames-dragons-net-80-000-investment/>

Follow us on twitter to see updates throughout the year @stmarythomas

NSPCC NUMBER DAY

This term we have celebrated NSPCC Number Day. Thank you to all parents/carers for your support and excellent costume designs. Throughout the day, children completed a range of activities to develop their problem-solving skills and taken part in some maths-themed cooking or baking. One of the activities that the Y5 pupils completed was to decorate T-shirts with all the maths vocabulary they have been taught this term. We are so impressed with their efforts! We raised a fantastic sum of money which will be donated to a good cause.



FUNDAY

Despite the fact that we couldn't host our usual fun day, our staff still planned a day of activities for the children to enjoy in school. Some of the activities included Reception making ice cream and completing some football-themed crafts; Y2 did some baking and Y4 made friendship bracelets. The children had a fantastic day!





News from St Ann's

Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly

HEALTHY LIVING WEEK



This half term all classes across the school have enjoyed taking part in Healthy Living Week which included sports days and a cooking and nutrition project, as well as first aid training for our Year 6s.

TALENT SHOW

Well done to all our pupils who decided to showcase their talent by taking part in our online St Ann's Has Got Talent show. Hopefully you feel inspired to get involved next year!



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Lots of children in Key Stage 2 graduated from Children's University this term. The amount of hours taking part in extra-curricular activities has been especially impressive given the lockdowns and restrictions due to covid. I wonder who will graduate next year?



HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD



28 children were invited to Hot Chocolate with the Head during the summer term. Invitations were given to children who live out our school vision and are role models for the class charters. A special well done to everyone invited.

ALTRU EYES OPEN



Year 6 have benefitted from a drugs and alcohol awareness

performance aimed at 10-11-year olds, written and performed by Altru Drama. Following the performance children took part in a workshop where they explored the choices made by the characters and the consequences of these choices.

YEAR 6 PRODUCTION



Year 6 have had an incredibly busy half term working with First Act Drama to produce an end of year production of The Jungle Book. This will soon be released on You Tube. DVDs can also be purchased through Arbor for £12.

WELCOMING OUR NEW INTAKE

Our Reception teachers have thoroughly enjoyed speaking with all our new parents/



carers and meeting all our new September starters during our outdoor meet and greets. We hope our new boys and girls enjoy sharing their special welcome gift with their families.



News from St Michael with St Thomas

Learn, Achieve, Love, Believe

CHANGE4LIFE LIVING WEEK

All classes took part in a week-long Change4Life campaign this half term. Linked to the Public



Health programme, classes looked at ways to keep themselves healthy and well –physically, mentally and even financially, with our Money Matters days! Pupils participated in a class food technology project to make a healthy meal or snack, practised mindfulness and discovered the benefits of exercise.

MONEY MATTERS



Our classes all took part in our first Money Matters day this half term, teaching our children the concept of good financial health. The classes looked at a range of topics: money safety, the importance of saving and budgeting.

YOGABEARS

Our KS1 children joined the 'Yoga for All' mission this half term with the Yoga Bears. The



classes aim to develop pupils into strong, happy and healthy individuals, enabling them to grow with purpose and a strong sense of who they are using the 7 Yoga Bears whose super-powers originate from the 7 Chakras that are found within the body.

BIKEABILITY

As part of our commitment to ensuring the safety of our pupils both in and out of school, Year 5 & 6 had an amazing experience with Bikeability earlier in the term. The children practised how to safely ride their bikes on the road and completed their Level 2 Qualification.



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WORSHIP TEAMS

Our Pupil Leadership Teams are an important part of our school, and enable our children the chance to help lead change, ensuring that their voices and opinions are heard. We are moulding leaders of the future, ready for work, ready for the

world. We strive to craft confident and articulate leaders who can share their views to any audience



and apply their leadership skills to real life situations. This term, we have added our Worship Teams to the range of existing leadership groups. Throughout the year, every child will become part of their class Worship Team, being responsible for planning and delivering weekly class worships. Their first task was to design and make a Paschal candle for their classes, which are now used in weekly class worships. Miss Slingsby also has a handmade candle to use as part of whole school worships too.