



**ST THOMAS
MORE**
VC ACADEMY



October 2025

NEWS



POPPY APPEAL

Poppy's will be on sale on the playground after half term – more details to follow.



Don't forget to check out of facebook page to see some of the wonderful things we do each day.

www.facebook.com/stmacademy



Simple habits this winter can help keep everyone healthy at school.

- **Catch it:** Use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze. If there's no tissue, use your elbow.
- **Bin it:** Put the tissue straight in the bin.
- **Kill it:** Wash your hands with soap and water afterwards. Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.

Let's work together to stop the spread and keep our school community well.

#CatchItBinItKillIt

#HealthyHabits

It's hard to believe we've almost reached the end of our first half term! The weeks have flown by, and what a brilliant start to the year it's been. The children have settled so well into their new classes, showing real enthusiasm for learning and such positive attitudes. We've been especially proud of the huge improvements in handwriting across the school – it's been a real focus for us, and it's lovely to see how much pride the children are now taking in the presentation of their work. Their books really do reflect how hard they're trying and we look forward to sharing these with you at our upcoming parents evening.

Our Year 5 pupils did a fantastic job representing the school during Bikeability. They showed great teamwork, resilience and respect – all qualities we value so highly. We were also delighted to welcome Father Xavier from Hessle Parish to celebrate Mass with us. It was a really special time for us all to come together in faith and reflection. And thank you all for your generous donations for our Harvest Festival and great parental turn out.

A big mention too for our Year 6 prefects, who have stepped into their new roles so positively. They've been excellent role models, helping around school, supporting younger children and introducing our 'Over and Above' assembly with real confidence.

I'd like to say a heartfelt thank you to all our staff for their hard work and commitment – their care and energy shine through in everything they do. And to all our parents and carers, thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. Working together is absolutely fundamental in our shared goal of ensuring the best for each child. Hope you all have a wonderful half term break when it arrives.

Best wishes,

Mr. Ward

Tinsel Tree Trot - Look out for details about our fabulous Tinsel Tree Trot sponsored walk in support of Dove House



School Prayer

Loving God, As the leaves turn gold and the days grow shorter, we thank You for the beauty of this autumn season. Bless our school families with hearts full of gratitude for the gifts You place in our lives each day. May this season remind us to slow down, to see Your hand in every change, and to trust that You are always with us

Amen

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Well done to Year 3 who have a current school attendance of 98.5%



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Child Protection & Safeguarding Procedure

If you have a concern about any child in the school please contact the staff listed below:



Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs L. Stansfield



Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs R. Hutcherson



Link Safeguarding Lead
Emma Smith
Tel: 01482 825625

Tel: 01482 354093

Copies of the Child Protection Policy & Safeguarding Procedure are available in the school office, the staffroom, on the school's computer network and on the school website.
If you have concerns about the conduct of any of our Safeguarding Leads please contact one of our Directors with responsibility for Safeguarding at the St Cuthbert's Trust, Michael Gallagher or James Sargeant
Tel: 01482 851136

Children's Social Care (Local Authority) contact numbers

Central Duty Team (01482) 448879
Child Protection Administrator (01482) 790933
Police Public Protection Unit (01482) 307220

Emergency Duty Team (01482) 788080
Local Authority Designated Officer (01482) 790933
Designated Officer for Schools 07702511877

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Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 21st October - Y4 Stay and read 2:30pm

Wednesday 22nd October - Y5 Stay and write 9-9:20am Parents welcome

Friday 24th October - School closes for half term

Monday 3rd November - School reopens for Autumn term 2

Tuesday 4th November - Individual/sibling photo day

Wednesday 5th November - PTFA Non-uniform day

Monday 10th November - Parents evening

Wednesday 12th November - Flu nasal vaccinations



Thursday 4th December - Christmas Concert for parents of children who play an instrument PM

**Friday 5th December –
AM – Tinsel Tree Trot Sponsored Walk
PM - PTFA Christmas Fair**

Tuesday 9th December - EYFS Nativity

Wednesday 10th December - KS2 Hull Truck Theatre Panto trip (details to follow)

Thursday 11th December - KS1 Nativity

Friday 12th December - KS2 Carols

Monday 15th December - Christmas Craft afternoon with parents

Wednesday 17th December - KS1 Panto trip (details to follow)

Thursday 18th December - PTFA Christmas disco and Xmas Jumper/outfit day

Friday 19th December - School closes for Christmas

YOUR CHILD'S PACKED LUNCH SHOULD INCLUDE:

Plenty of fruit and veg



A healthy drink



Protein



Something Starchy



Low fat dairy



Starchy Food:

Wholegrain rolls or bread, tortilla wraps, chapatti, pitta pocket, pasta or rice salad.

HERE ARE SOME IDEAS FOR A HEALTHY PACKED LUNCH:

Healthy Drinks:

Semi skimmed milk, water, fresh fruit juice, sugar free juice, yoghurt drink.

Fruit and vegetables:

An apple, a Satsuma, a handful of cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks, fruit salad, box of raisins.

Protein:

Lean meat i.e. chicken, ham or beef.

Fish i.e. salmon or tuna.

Eggs and beans.

FOR A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX
SOMETHING FROM EACH GROUP 1-6!

PICK & MIX

