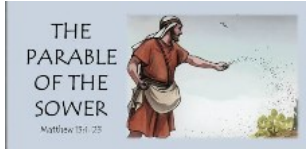




St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School



Friday, 10th July 2026



This week's Gospel theme:: Listening

"Other seeds fell on rich soil and produced a great crop."

Matthew 13:1-23

A message from Mrs. Rawlinson

A huge congratulations to all of the children in Year 6 for their confident, enthusiastic, and outstanding performance in their end-of-year show on Thursday evening.

It was absolutely amazing!

From the wonderful singing and brilliant acting to the perfectly delivered jokes, every part of the performance was a joy to watch. The entertainment throughout the evening was truly memorable and reflected the children's hard work, talent, and enthusiasm.

Well done to every one of you on such a fantastic performance. A special thank you also goes to the Year 6 staff for their dedication, hard work, and support in making the show such a tremendous success.

And the great thing is, they get to do it all again next Tuesday!

Year 6 were also amazing during their special Leavers' Mass today. The readings were clear and confident, while their singing was both beautiful and deeply moving. It was a lovely and meaningful celebration, providing the perfect opportunity to give thanks to God for all they have achieved, the friendships they have built, and the wonderful memories they have created during their time at St. Thomas of Canterbury.

We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and wish them every success and happiness as they begin the next chapter of their journey.

Year 6 important information regarding SATS

Year 6 SATs results have been delayed this year due to technical and data platform issues experienced by the marking contractor.

We are expecting the results to go live for us to access on Thursday, 16th July.

Children will be given their results before we finish on Friday.

Catholic Multi Academy Trusts (CMAT's)

The consultation period continues until Friday, 17th July.

There is a designated email address for parents to use with any comments or questions.

consultation.stthomasofcanterbury@sthelens.org.uk

Alternatively, you can find information on our school website.

Alder Hey

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to the recent London Marathon fundraiser for Alder Hey. In total, we raised £2,632.00 and including gift aid, the total exceeds £3,000.

Thankyou to Sarah and Joanne from Alder Hey who came to school on Tuesday to deliver a fabulous assembly all about Alder Hey Children's Hospital and the wonderful work it does. They also explained how important these fundraising activities are in helping them provide the highest quality care for children.



School reports

The children will be bringing their end-of-year school reports home today.

Please remember to check your child's school bag to ensure you receive their report. We hope you enjoy celebrating all of their achievements and the progress they have made throughout the year.

Year 6 Ruskin Sports Festival

Year 6 will be taking part in a Sports Festival which takes place at Ruskin Drive on Wednesday 15th July.

The event is a great opportunity for the pupils to have a final chance to represent our school in a sporting event before they go off to their high schools.
Parents can attend this event for support.

Year 2 End of Year Performance

Year 2 children will be celebrating the end of KS1 by inviting their parents into school on Tuesday, 14th July at 9.15am for a special performance.

Nursery End of Year Celebration Assembly

Our nursery children will invite parents to a special end of year celebration assembly on Tuesday, 14th July starting at 2pm in the school hall.



Summer Fayre 2026

Total Raised for the School

£2,059

Thank you to everyone who supported the event and to the parents who helped with preparations and setting up on the day. **A special thank you** to the **parents, grandparents** and **staff** who **helped on the stalls**.

Raffle Donations

Thank you very much to the following companies for their kind donations of prizes for the raffle **and to the parents who helped organise them:**



Opportunities for reading in the summer holidays.



**WINDLE FREE LIBRARY
45 Rainford Road, Windle,
St Helens, WA10 6BZ
windlefreelibrary@gmail.com**

**Set up outside 45 Rainford Road, opposite St Thomas of Canterbury Primary School (so parking is available),
Windle Free Library is for the community to have access to some books to get into reading or continue that reading journey.**

Please come and take a book, return it or don't, share it with your friends and donate books if you have some to spare

Free bookmarks for a limited time

Please drop in

If you would like to donate a book/s just leave them in or near the library or behind the gates (not when raining please)

No need to sign the book/s out but there is a notebook for messages or email Leanne on windlefreelibrary@gmail.com

Out of Hours Club

Please ensure that any outstanding arrears balances are cleared on your out of hours club accounts.

Bookings should be made and paid for via schoolmoney in advance.

A reminder that for emergency on the day bookings the money to cover the cost of the session along with the £2.50 late booking fee should be credited to the account before contacting the school office.

Thank you.

Altru Drama

Altru Drama group will be in school on **Monday, 13th July** performing
'Little Red Riding Hood' for children from Reception to Year 5 in the afternoon.

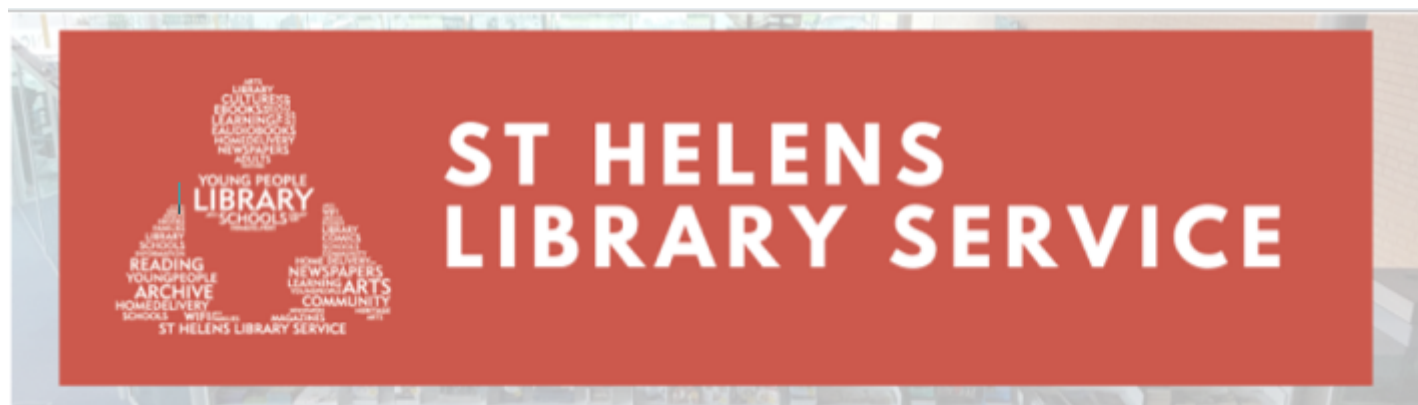
We are excited to
welcome them into school and would like to thank the PTFA for funding this event.



What's On in July for children

Speak to library staff for more information.

Monthly construction club First Monday of the month 3:30pm – 4:30pm Build, create, and imagine! Join us at Eccleston library for children's monthly construction club – a fun-hands – on session for young builders and inventors. Drop In	Baby Rhyme Time Mondays 11.00am - 11.30am 6 x sessions for babies 0-12 months. Booking is required as numbers are limited	Read and Rhyme Time Tuesdays and Fridays 10.30am - 11.00am Come along to our weekly Read and Rhyme sessions, perfect for toddlers, and their grown-ups. Enjoy gentle rhymes, picture books, and shared fun. Followed by Stay and Play. Drop In
Summer Holiday Lego & k'nex Every Thursday 10:00 – 4:30pm Build & Create Grab your bricks, blocks and imagination.... It's time to build something AMAZING... There is also a chance to read some amazing books! Drop In	Lego Club Every Tuesday 3:30pm – 4:30pm Dream It. Brick It! Come build towers, vehicles, worlds and more in our fun-filled construction club for young creators Click It. Brick It. Build It. Drop In	SRC - I love Horses Day Thursday 16th July 3:30pm – 4:30pm You're invited to an I Love Horses Day craft event! Come and gallop to the beat of the Horses feet, Saddle up for a fun and creative session all about horses Come along and make a horse Mask to take home Drop In
– Alice in Wonderland Day Friday 3rd July 3:30pm – 4:30pm On the 4th of July its Alice in Wonderland Day, join us at the library to celebrate the beloved classic that has captured readers of all ages. Step into a world of imagination for a magical drop-in craft inspired by Alice's Adventures in wonderland Drop In	Summer Reading Challenge Read to the Beat R&R launch Friday 3rd & Tuesday 7th 10:30 am – 11:00am Come and join us for the launch of the summer reading challenge – theme is read to the beat. We will have all our usual Read and Rhyme songs, rhymes and story, but with a difference. Get ready to clap, stomp and move to the beat, join us for an exciting, interactive session where the story will come alive through music, rhythm, and movement. Drop In	Summer holiday Big fun games Monday 20th July 10:00am – 4:30pm You're invited to a super fun games time at the library! We'll be playing big board games, card games, and lots of silly group games. Bring your friends, your favourite game if you have one! There might be snacks too Drop In
Summer holiday Lolly picture frame Monday 27th July 2:00pm – 4:00pm Join us for a creative and exciting session where children will design their very own lolly stick picture frames! Why not take home some of our crafting books and carry on your creativity at home! Drop In	National Year of Reading – Paperback book day! Thursday 30th July 2:30pm – 3:30pm You're Invited to Paperback Book Day! Join us for a fun – filled celebration of stories, creativity, and imagination at Paperback Book Day craft Event! Drop In	Opening Times Mon – 10:00am – 5:00pm Tue – 10:00am – 5:00pm Wed – closed Thu – 10:00am – 5:00pm Fri – 10:00am – 5:00pm Sat – closed Sun – closed



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Eccleston Library

What's On in July for Adults

Speak to library staff for more information.

Fit Forever gentle keep it Every Tuesday 11:00am – 12:00pm Fit Forever Gentle Keep-Fit Session is a gentle exercise session run by the Active Lives & Sports Development Team and aimed at those aged 50+ Booking is required	Warm welcome Brew and Chat Every Thursday 10am - 12pm Come and enjoy a lovely cuppa and a chat with friends. Browse some books, enjoy jigsaw puzzles and crosswords while you are here. Drop In	Reading group 1st and 2nd Thursday of the month 2:00pm Love reading and great conversations? Come be part of our cozy community of book lovers! • Exciting discussions • New books every month • Refreshments & fun Drop In
Stitch & Chat group 2nd Friday of the month 1:00pm Love sewing, knitting, crochet, or any kind of stitching? Come along to our friendly Stitch & Chat group! • Bring your latest project • Enjoy great conversation • Relax with a warm drink & biscuit Drop In	New Mum's Café Every Monday 11:30am - 12:30pm A tea and coffee morning at the library. An informal gathering with a chance to connect with other parents, share experiences, take a moment for yourself in a welcoming, understanding space. Whether you'd like to chat, listen, or simply enjoy a quiet cup of tea or coffee, you are very welcome. Drop In	Digital Drop In Every Friday 1:00pm – 3:00pm Need help getting online Our Volunteer can help with, filling in forms, mobile phones, laptops & tablets Emails, social media and online entertainment Plus many other things Drop In
Cllr Keogh surgery Monday 6th July 10:30am – 11:30am Come along to Cllr Keogh's surgery for the windle community Drop In	Library Community walk Monday 20th July 10:30am A gentle, supportive walk, to encourage conversation, and promote wellbeing. This event is a chance to come together, enjoy fresh air, and connect with others in a relaxed and welcoming environment. And come back for a tea or coffee Drop In	PCSO Surgery Friday 10th & 24th July 2:00pm – 3:00pm Community PCSO surgery drop-in session to meet the local Police Community Support Officer. Discuss local concerns, ask questions, and receive advice in an informal setting. Drop In

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Important Dates for your Diary

July

- 13th - Year 6 trip to Crocky Trail
- 13th - Altru Drama performing Little Red Riding Hood in school (Reception—Year 5)
- 14th - Year 2 End of Year Performance for Parents—(9.15am in school hall)
- 14th - Nursery End of Year Celebration—2pm-3pm in school hall
- 14th - Year 6 Leavers' Show— 4pm in school (2nd performance)
- 15th - Year 6 attending Ruskin Sports Day 9.30am-2.30pm (change of date to previous newsletters)
- 17th - **End of Summer Term : break for Summer holiday at 1.30pm**

End of summer term

Please be aware that the last day of the summer term is

Friday, 17th July.

Children will finish school at 1.30pm.

Please note there will be no after school club on this day.

Thank you.

Attendance

Good attendance and punctuality at school is not just valuable — it is essential.



For week ending Friday, 10th July 2026 the whole school attendance is 96.7%

Reception = 96.7%

Year 1 = 98.1%

Year 2 = 98.1%

Year 3 = 99.6%

Year 4 = 92.2%

Year 5 = 96.7%

Year 6 = 95.7%