

Dear Parents/Carers

Well done to all the Year 11s who have made a great start to their GCSE examinations this week and thank you to all the students in other Year groups who have tried hard to stay extra quiet when the exams are taking place so that Year 11 aren't distracted. The consideration that students show for each other is lovely to see and part of the reason why our community is such a special place to study and work.

Due to the exams in the Hall we aren't able to have full Year assemblies for the next few weeks but each form group is still taking part in a weekly form assembly with important key messages.

End of Half term

Please be aware that the school breaks up for the May half term holiday next week on Friday 23rd May.

Students return to school on Monday 2nd June.

Advance Notice of two important dates: The last day of the Summer term is Friday 18th July with school closing at 12:15 and Year 11 results day is on Thursday 21st August.

Student Special Mentions

Joel N in Year 7, Joel is a fantastic cyclist for the 360 Cycling Team and due to his great success he will be racing in the city of Assen in the Netherlands in July. Well done Joel.

Ava F in Year 10, took part in the recent Revolution Carnival Cheer Competition and her team Stealth Cheer Vixens came in first place. Brilliant Ava!

Grace B in Year 8, has been nominated to perform in "Le Classique de Danse" Junior Ballroom Dancer of the Year awards in the Winter Garden Ballrooms in Blackpool later this year. Grace is a gifted dancer in both Ballroom and Latin dancing Disciplines and we wish Grace the best of luck.

Poppy W in Year 10, took part in the 5K muddy challenge run at Heaton Park over the weekend with her female football team Mossley Girls and they raised over £2500 for Cancer Research UK. Poppy is a very talented footballer and her U16 team also won the league unbeaten this season, competed in the Final of the Manchester County Cup, and has qualified for the League Cup Final at the end of June. Well done Poppy and good luck in the Final.

St Thomas More RC College Achievement Point League

Well done to all the students who are collecting so many achievements by doing the simple things really well in school. Bravo!

Please note this is the last week for Year 11 scores as Year 11 will be regularly in exams from next week. Well done to Year 11s for all your hard work this year and good behaviour that has resulted in so many more points

Remember that you can log into satchel one to check your child individual achievements and successes at any time as the parent page is updated daily, if you are unable to log in for any reason please contact school for help. admin@stmcollege.org.uk

Please note: The achievement point list below is collated and calculated at approximately 11am each Friday. This can mean that sometimes students may have slightly different points totals by the end of

the day on Friday which are not reflected in the figures printed. Please do rest assured though that the points total and students highlighted are accurate at the time of production of the list.

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Year 7 Total					
Valentina FN 6600	Erin K 5660	Ella F 5570	Maddie D 7030	Abigail B 5110	Isabel D 5880
Year 7 Weekly Winner					
Valentia FN 240	Alice F 140	Ella F 130	Lucas B-T 200	Elsa R 110	Cassie D Stemilly O 200
Year 8 Total					
Aiden F 6940	Abbie H 6210	Steve C 4900	Milena R 6370	Charlotte L 6870	Erin L 6630
Year 8 Weekly Winner					
Charlotte H 210	Albie N 140	Ravin R 140	Ellis P 190	Charlotte L 150	Isabelle P 210
Year 9 Total					
Brooke D 7460	Chris M 5830	Thomas H 5930	Iris L 4530	Carragan M 5510	Ole M 5520
Year 9 Weekly Winner					
Alfie S 260	Doreen A 190	Lucy W Emily G 130	Iris L 140	Jake T 140	Seyi S 130
Year 10 Total					
Olivia K 7040	Jack R 5090	Dominik C 6330	Kaitlyn F 6340	Harry C 7280	Reve MM 4790
Year 10 Weekly Winner					
Isla C 240	Oliver H 250	Francesca W 290	Lauren Ly 280	Harry C James R 240	Jakub K 190
Year 11 Total					
Eid A 5630	Luca H 4400	Pippa SM 5330	Daisy N 7130	Mia Rose L 5020	Megan T 4610
Year 11 Weekly Winner					
Eid A 140	Dylan M Hope C 30	Ben F Kaci Lea D 80	Daisy N 180	Owen W 60	Mailen C 60

St Thomas More RC College Fantasy Football League.

Managers need to make any transfer changes to their squads before 6pm tonight with matches between Aston Villa/Tottenham and Chelsea/Manchester United this evening

Thomas H continues to look uncatchable at the top of the league with 2,326 points

Georgie A take the prize for gameweek 36 with 66 points!

Once students have created a Premier League account and a team at [Fantasy Premier League](#), [Official Fantasy Football Game of the Premier League](#) they can join the school mini league named;

St Thomas More League

The league code is; v25n52

Alternatively, you can click on the link below to join the league.

<https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/v25n52>

Reminder Year 11

School will now be open to Year 11 students from 8:20am and this will continue during the exam period so that they can have a relaxing start with possibly some last-minute revision before the day of exams ahead, in previous years it has been great to see so many students taking advantage of this and showing so much commitment to success in their examinations. This early start is not compulsory but can be hugely beneficial to the students who find it useful

Year 11 will continue to attend all their lessons during these initial parts of the exam timetable, we have found through many years of experience that it is much better for students to continue to attend their lessons on days when they don't have exams as teachers are able to direct and support their revision.

*We have carefully considered the exam timetable structure and concluded that on **Friday 6th June** the first week back after half term that the majority of the exams will have been completed, after this date students will then only need to come into school for their exams or for lessons in which they still have an exam left to take, at other times from Monday 9th June students can then revise for the small number of remaining exams at home.*

On Friday 6th June students will be given the opportunity to sign shirts at the end of their exams that day. There will be time for this to be completed before the bell for the end of the day but students will also be welcome to stay behind after school should they wish if they need additional time for this activity, this has been a lovely experience for students in previous years.

The date for the Year 11 Prom is Thursday 26th June 7pm to 10pm, please remember that the Prom is by invitation only at the discretion of the school and that students must be in positive More points to have the opportunity to attend.

Year 11 Revision

The GCSE timetable continues to be on the school website at:

<https://www.stmcollege.org.uk/parents/examination-guidance>

Please be aware that the first GCSE and Summer Examinations have now started with exams on the following dates:

GCSE Summer 2025 Exams:

GCSE Written Exams -- 6th May 2025 to 18th June 2025

It is absolutely vital that students are now doing plenty of revision at home as work in these last few days as this can be the difference between one grade and another, thank you for the encouragement of your sons/daughters with their studies at home. It is also really important that students continue to remain 100% focused in class in these next few weeks even as the exams start as staff will be able to give them crucial information and guidance for the exams, a good night's sleep each night is now so important so concentration levels can remain as high as possible.

Finally

Please remember that you can contact school each weekday Monday to Friday either by calling 0161 336 2743 or emailing admin@stmcollege.org.uk during normal school hours, if you do want to visit school to talk to a member of staff that can of course be arranged but do please contact school prior to your journey so that mutually convenient time and date can be arranged for an appointment.

Please Note: If you have an appointment to meet with a member of staff in school, then please ensure that you are on time to the meeting, on the rare occasion a parent/carer is more than 15 minutes late to a meeting then due to the busy nature of schools the meeting will be cancelled and will need to be rearranged at another time and/or date.

If you are offered an appointment time for a meeting with a member of staff in school, then please ensure that you have confirm your attendance at the meeting in advance either verbally or in writing to prevent the meeting time being rebooked.

God bless

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2025 Jubilee Year for the Catholic Church

2025 has been designated as a Jubilee Year by the Catholic Church 'Pilgrims of Hope' as the theme.

We pray weekly as a strong Catholic community so that we may receive guidance and support.

Friday Prayer

Dear Lord,

Even when our modern lives feel chaotic and complicated, help us to show love to all people.

We thank you for the life of your servant Pope Francis and pray that you may guide his successor,

Pope Leo XIV, as he continues to witness to your love.

Inspire us to work towards a common good for all people.

Amen.