



29th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The talk of the week has been, unsurprisingly, the heatwave we have all been experiencing. With nothing we can do about the heat, the whole staff acted to make everyone feel as comfortable as possible. We decided to cancel a variety of events including some trips, some assemblies and even 'hot chocolate with Miss Kelly'. In addition, we made adaptations to our playtimes, PE lessons and our lunch menu - no one fancied a roast dinner! We made use of our portable air conditioning units and our air conditioned computing suite. The children and adults enjoyed the icy treats courtesy of the PTA, and the water sprays (great idea from Mrs James). Some classes completed their learning with their feet in trays of cold water! Well done, all, for the resilience and positivity shown. We are keeping a close eye on weather forecasts and will let you know if further changes are decided upon.

As we come to the end of the year, I wanted to thank a group of people you may not have heard about. We have a group of dedicated volunteer readers who regularly give their time to children at Thomas's Academy to give them extra practice with their reading. Thank you to Daphne, Marieka, Kate, Basak and Catherine. Some of these adults have been coming to us for years!

This year, we have added a Summer parents meeting for parents. Most of these will take place on 6th July. Once the parents meetings have concluded, we will share the news of who is teaching who next academic year. We are planning transition activities before we all break up for the Summer.

Miss Kelly



Awards

Weekly awards are given to children following **school values**. Congratulations to last week's winners.

Nursery	Atlas
Reception	Chris and Wilhelmina
Y1	Hope
Y2	Sara and Kria
Y3	Re'Nai
Y4	Fatima
Y5	Andy
Y6	George
Y1 - 3	Asha Y3
Y4 - 6	Andy Y5
Star of the school	Lola Y6



The classes with the best attendance last week:
Year 4 with 96.4% attendance

Upcoming dates:

- 29th June - Y4 to Lexus Open Tennis
- 30th June - Y2 Urbanwise trip
- 30th June - Y4 to Hurlingham Park
- 30th June - Y5 Chance to Shine Cricket Workshop
- 2nd July - Attendance Aces trip to Hurlingham Club
- 3rd July - Y6 to Vue Cinema
- 6th July - Parents Evening YR - Y5
- 6th July - Y6 GVEU performance

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This week in **Nursery**, we have been keeping cool while continuing to develop our fine motor skills through a range of fun, hands-on activities. The children thoroughly enjoyed our water play, using pipettes, spoons, and different-sized beakers to fill, pour and empty water. We practised using key vocabulary related to capacity, such as "full," "empty," "more," and "less," as the children experimented with the different containers. The children also enjoyed learning some Makaton signs to accompany our jungle animal topic



This week, **Reception** have thoroughly enjoyed exploring their topic on continents. The children learned about different countries around the world, discovering interesting facts about their cultures, landmarks, and traditions. We brought our learning to life through songs, helping the children remember the names of the continents and some of the countries within them. It has been wonderful to see their curiosity grow as they explored our diverse and fascinating world.



Year 1 have continued to innovate their own fairy tales, focusing on the opening and the problem. They have completed lots of handwriting practice to develop their letter formation and presentation. In Maths, they have explored direction by using treasure maps to follow and give simple routes. They have also spent time rehearsing for their class assembly, which they are looking forward to performing next week.

This week in **Year 2**, we have been learning about volume in Maths. We have had lots of fun pouring and comparing water between different containers, especially exploring how unusual shapes can still hold different amounts. We have also started writing our own poetry and have been creating some wonderfully imaginative nonsense poems. A huge well done to Year 2 for their fabulous class assembly – we are all very proud of how confidently they performed!

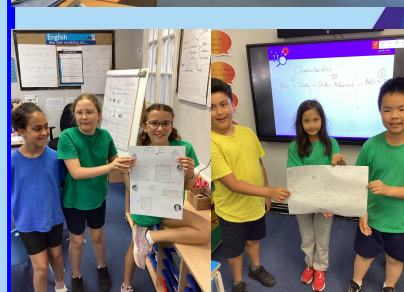
Despite the heatwave, **Year 3** have remained focused and enthusiastic and we have been incredibly impressed with their resilience and positive attitude towards their learning. In Maths, the children have been exploring the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, identifying and comparing their features using a range of manipulatives to deepen their understanding. In Geography, we have continued our learning about the region of Provence and children enjoyed learning about what a typical school day looks like in Marseille.



In **Year 4**, we have been learning about the Vikings and the Spanish Armada. To bring the historic naval battle of 1588 to life, the children rolled up their sleeves and acted out the dramatic events! Stepping into the shoes of the sailors, they re-enacted the movements and tactics of the fleets. It was a fantastic way to understand the scale of the conflict, and their enthusiasm really made history come alive in the classroom.

In **Year 5** science, we learnt about what happens as adults grow older. We explored the physical, emotional and social transformations that can happen throughout adulthood and the children worked collaboratively to create informative posters showing the key changes that take place. There was plenty of discussion and curiosity throughout the lesson, with some light-hearted comparisons to their (now middle-aged!) teacher.

In **Year 6**, we have been writing short stories based on the spooky story Alma, in which a young girl stumbles upon a mysterious toy shop full of enchanted dolls... We have also been looking at Malorie Blackman's Pig Heart Boy and discussing the issues surrounding using animals in medicine. Of course, we have been preparing for our school production too!





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Multiplication Tables Check Success

This week, we received the scores achieved by pupils in Year 4. This is a national online test of children's multiplication skills. Out of a possible score of 25, the average score of our Y4 pupils is 24.6. This is a school record! Huge congratulations to Y4 and all those who supported their journey to this point.

Year 5 and 6 Residential

The countdown is on for our Year 5 and Year 6 residential trip (from 8-10th July)! Pupils are eagerly looking forward to an exciting adventure filled with outdoor activities, teamwork, and plenty of fun. It promises to be a fantastic opportunity to build confidence, make new memories, and enjoy time with friends. We know it will be a highlight of the school year!

Y4 School Sleepover Success!

On Friday evening, our Year 4 class took part in an unforgettable school sleepover! The children kicked off the fun with a packed schedule of activities, including archery and making their own fresh lemonade, before enjoying a delicious pizza dinner. Excitement filled the air as everyone set up their beds for the night, and the children even got the rare treat of playing out on the playground until it got dark! After settling down to watch two films and a few episodes of *Bluey*, everyone was tucked up and fast asleep by midnight. Just five hours later, the early risers were up and ready for breakfast, followed by one last playtime before parents arrived for Saturday morning pickup. This event is always a wonderful opportunity for the children to practice independence and being away from home in a safe environment with familiar adults. We are so proud of how well the children did; they showed immense kindness towards one another and worked together to ensure everyone had a fantastic time. Memories were truly made!





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PTA News

What a fantastic Summer Fair we had on Friday - it was great to see so many smiling children's faces. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make it such a fun event including the teachers who weren't afraid to get sponged!!

As ever, the raffle was a popular part of the day and the winners have been drawn. If your child's name is on the list below please see Miss Carpenter in the office to receive your prize!

We would like to thank all of the local businesses who donated generously to make it such a wonderful raffle and urge you all to support these local Fulham businesses without whom the raffle wouldn't be possible.

1. Live Next To The Apollo – 4 tickets – MORGAN, NURSERY
2. Pearls of the Orient - £50 Voucher – MISS NAJAAR
3. Art-K Wandsworth – Free trial or workshop session – ATLAS, NURSERY
4. Art-K Putney – 2 hour art workshop – MIA, YEAR 6
5. Footy Fun 4 Kids – 1 week free place on summer soccer camp – MUNSIF, YEAR 5
6. Strong Pilates – 1 x Intro Trial 14 days Unlimited WILHEMINA, RECEPTION
7. Strong Pilates – 1 x 5 class pack – CALEB, YEAR 6
8. Dinner for 2 at Pizza Express on Fulham Road – HANNA A , YEAR 2
9. Fulham Palace – 1 x adult & 1 x child ticket to Apple Day in October – DORUK, RECEPTION
10. F45 – 1 x Free Trial 10 classes to use in 14 days – VIOLET, YEAR 6
11. F45 – 1 x Free Class – MIA, YEAR 6
12. F45 – 1 x Free Class – LEO, YEAR 2
13. Fulham Textiles Studio – Attend 'Wake up and Weave' workshop – ANDRE, YEAR 2
14. 1 Free osteo consultation in SW London – WITTY, YEAR 2
15. Get Set Swim – Fulham – 1 month of group swimming lessons – LEO, RECEPTION
16. Courtfit x 1 voucher for 2 full days Summer Camps - CAMERON, RECEPTION
17. Courtfit x 1 voucher for 2 full days Summer Camps - ANDY, YEAR 5
18. Dinner for 2 at Jargo – NINA, YEAR 2
19. Inventors, Autumn term place in after school club – FRANKLIN, YEAR 3
20. Mother Nature Science - Premium Day-Place Voucher Mother Nature Science Activity Holiday Camp (Worth £110 -Can also be deducted from full-week price) – ASHA YEAR 3
21. Indian Summer – True Grace candle – MAYA B, YEAR 5
22. One month free tuition for either maths or English – First Class Learning – FILIPPO, YEAR 5
23. Brook & Badger £100 voucher – INDIA, YEAR 6
24. £20 Cook Voucher – AMIRA, NURSERY
25. Kid's Hamper from Press & Petal – KRIA, YEAR 2
26. Flower Voucher from Press & Petal – ZOE, YEAR 5
27. 50% Off Balloon Single Birthday Balloon Stack – LOUJAYN, YEAR 3
28. Wimbledon lunch box & water bottle – DOMINIC, RECEPTION
29. Randall's the Butchers - £50 voucher - RUBY, RECEPTION



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Saturday 4th July

Our Irish Dancers perform at 1.30pm



A new initiative at Thomas's Academy led by Ms Sofia and Ms Veronica.

