



9th March 2026

Dear Parents and carers

I am pleased to share more secondary school success with you. Pupils in Year 6 received their offers to state schools last week and we are delighted that so many of our children got into their top choices including Ashcroft Community College, Lady Margaret's, Fulham Cross Girls, Fulham Cross Academy and Hurlingham Academy. The pupils in Year 6 are now preparing for their end of key stage tests which are nationally taken in the month of May.

Last week was busy. It included a trip for Y4 and Y5, World Book Day and Mbilla Arts drumming and dance workshops. Our enrichment programme - activities that go beyond the National Curriculum - is something we are very proud of at Thomas's Academy. This week, Y2 are visiting the Science Museum, Y5 are doing a drama workshop at Thomas's Fulham and Nursery are inviting the mothers in to share a special Mother's Day Treat. Our enrichment programme is carefully planned to expose children to varied experiences which impact on motivation, confidence, aspiration and understanding. This supports children progress across the curriculum.

Miss Kelly

Awards

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

Nursery	Elsie
Reception	Evelyn and Baptiste
Y1	Raya
Y2	Naidi
Y3	Dita
Y4	Delina
Y5	Abigail
Y6	Adam
Y1 - 3	Whittaker Y2
Y4 - 6	Kawsr Y6
Star of the school.	Zoe Y5



The class with the best attendance last week: Y4 with 100% - Well done, Year 4!

Upcoming dates:

- **9th March** - School nurse coffee morning - 9am
- **10th March** - PTA meeting at 9am
- **11th March** - Y2 to the Science Museum
- **12th March** - Y5 to Thomas's Fulham for Drama Workshop
- **13th March** - Mother's Day Stay and Play (Nursery)
- **13th March** - Mother's Day Bake Sale after school
- **17th March** - Y6 to Craven Cottage - Junior Citizenship
- **17th March** - Irish Dancing Performance - 10am

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Nursery have been really enjoying our topic of 'Food' this week. The children had great fun tasting pancakes, choosing their own fruit toppings. We also had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day. The children loved welcoming their parents into the classroom for our Reading Café.

Reception loved learning all about Wizards this week! We created our own Wizard hats in preparation for our exciting author visit on Thursday when guest author Mel Avis-Scott shared her book 'The Wizard's Assistant'! We listened to the story in our cosy pyjamas!

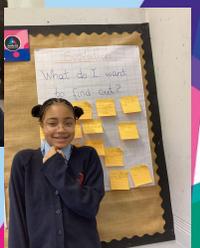
Year 1 have continued reading Elmer and exploring the structure of the story and create Elmer artwork celebrating our uniqueness! On Thursday we celebrated world book day and has a visit from the local author Mel Avis-Scott . We then enjoyed sharing our reading cafe in class and were mesmerised by the African drumming workshop.

This week **Year 2** took part in an exciting African drumming workshop. The children learned a drumming song and practised traditional dances, enjoying the rhythm and movement together. It was a fantastic way for the class to experience cultural music. The workshop helped us celebrate diversity and learn about different traditions from around the world.

Year 3 have had an exciting week filled with memorable experiences. One highlight was welcoming parents into the classroom for our Reading Café on World Book Day. We also took part in a fantastic African drumming workshop, where we learnt different rhythms and had great fun making music as a class.

Years 4 and 5 enjoyed an amazing day out at the WEST Youth Zone. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to step outside their comfort zones, whether they were conquering the climbing wall, mastering new dance routines, or engaging in some friendly competition on the football field. A particular highlight was the cooking workshop, where the students proudly prepared their own macaroni cheese. It was a day filled with smiles and teamwork, leaving everyone wishing we could stay just a little longer.

Year 6 have been looking at evolution and discussing inheritance and adaptation. In history, we looked at the effects of the blitz on Britain and how bombing affected other countries. In the coming days, we will be finding the area and perimeter of different shapes.





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School Council

The school council met on 6.3.26 to discuss things going well at Thomas's Academy and things that they wanted to bring up. They shared that they are enjoying all the events and the new assemblies and certificates linking to our new values. When asked about bullying, we spoke about some behaviours that do not fit with our values. We intend to take a closer look at this across the school to ensure that unwanted behaviours are dealt with swiftly and effectively. For your information, we shared this poster with children in assembly.

Bullying Happens...

Several

Times

On

Purpose

What to do...

Start

Telling

Other

People

Together we can **STOP** it!

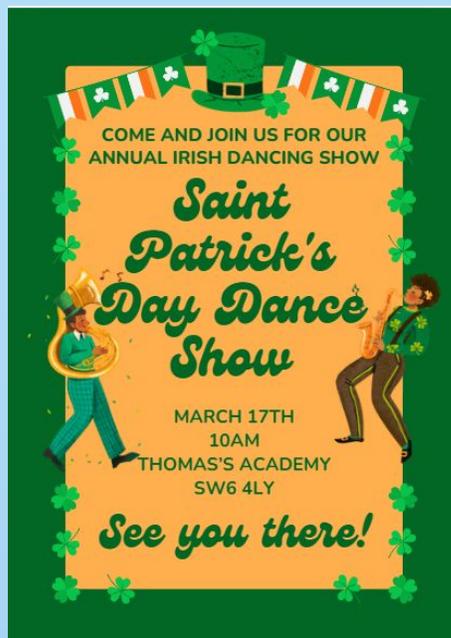
Birthday Book:

When it's your child's birthday, we want this to be special for your child. We're going to try something new which we're going to call 'Birthday Book'. When it's your child's birthday, we ask that the child donates a book to the school and we can share this in assembly and this newsletter. Please could books be brought into the school office with a note of who is donating it and the birthday date. Thanks in advance.

WEST Youth Zone

This is a brilliant local(ish) resource that gives children somewhere safe, exciting and structured to spend time after school. Their Juniors Club for 8-12 year olds it's open every Monday and Tuesday from 4pm-8pm and on Saturdays from 12pm - 4pm. Whether your child loves sport, creativity, music, or just spending time with friends, the Youth Zone has something for everyone. It's £5 for an annual membership and 50p a visit. It's fully supervised and designed to help young people grow socially and emotionally. They also offer a hot meal for a £1.

If your child is shy, anxious about the move to secondary school, or finding friendships tricky, WEST Youth Zone can be a huge help. The youth workers are experienced and welcoming adults, who get to know the children and help them build confidence through fun activities. Many pupils find it easier to make friends in this kind of relaxed, supportive setting. You can find more information [here](#).



We are inviting any members of our community to attend this event.



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Thursday 12 Feb

Thursday 26 Mar

Thursday 21 May

Thursday 16 Jul

11 am - 1 pm

Family Hub Stephen
Wiltshire Center
Queensmill Road
Fulham, SW6 6JR



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SKATES & LADDERS



Skateboarding Club!

Our mission at Skates and Ladders is to teach skateboarding to children, showing them how to skate safely, build their confidence and most of all have fun!

Children learn at their own pace with the help of our skilled and experienced instructors. Starting with an introduction to equipment, finding their stance, pushing and learning to control

direction and speed all the way to learning basic balancing tricks, techniques and more.

Wet weather sessions: In the case of wet weather, sessions will be held in the classroom where children will learn how to build and dismantle a board, design their own board and enjoy a fun skateboarding themed quiz and games!

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We intend to run this club next term if we have enough interest.

Proceeds towards the playground improvement fund.

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QUIZ NIGHT!

Sponsored by the PTA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25TH

Doors Open 7:30 PM - Quiz Starts 8:00 PM

TICKETS £10

INCLUDES PIZZA & A DRINK!

CASH BAR & ADULTS ONLY!



All Proceeds Go Towards Playground Improvements!