

Reminders for this term:

- The Year 1 doors will open at 8:45am and the register will take place at 8:55am. Please ensure that your child is here on time every day. Pick up from the same place will be 3.15pm.
- Every day is vital – please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.
- PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Wednesday**. Children must arrive to school in their PE kit on these days.
- Your child will be set home learning every Friday via Seesaw. It must be completed by the following Wednesday.
- Your child is expected to bring their book bag with all reading books and reading record to school **every day**, along with a reusable water bottle filled with water only.
- Reading books will be changed on Mondays and Fridays.
- **It is vital that you take a few minutes to read with your child each day.** Please record any comments about their reading in their reading record.
- We are always looking for ways to improve our school – please feel free to contact Ms Kelly at skelly@academy.thomas-s.co.uk if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

Key Dates:

- Week of 18th October– Parent Meetings (via Zoom)
- 25th–29th October– Half Term
- 26th November– INSET
- 30th November– Thistle House to wear Blue
- 10th December– Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
- 13th– 15th December – Christianity Focus Days and Church visits
- 17th December– Last Day of Term (2pm finish)

Thomas's Academy Year 1 Autumn Term Topics

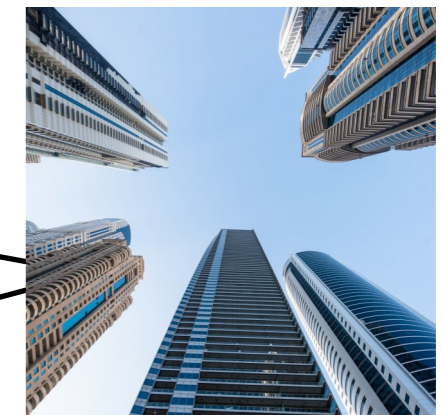
Am I Superhuman?



Our bodies are incredible! How can a bundle of bones and muscles dance, paint, sing, run, play? How do our bodies know what to do? How do we see, smell, taste, hear and touch? Let's find out!

What Makes a House a Home?

We live in a big busy city. Has London always been this way? Are other cities the same? We will explore our local area and compare it to other places around the world.



The adults working in our class are:

Miss Fraser – Class Teacher

Miss Yasmin – Early Years Educator

Miss Sophie – Learning Support Assistant

You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to yl@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

What will we be learning?

Am I a Superhuman?

We'll be discovering:

- What our brains do, why they are important and how to keep them healthy.
- What the main parts of our body are called and what they do.
- All about our five senses.
- Why it is important to exercise and eat healthily.

What Makes a House a Home?

We'll investigate:

- What London looked like in the past.
- How the buildings in our local area have changed over time.
- How our city is different to others across the world.

In **PE**, activity games- master basic movements including running jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination.

Our **RE** focus this term is **Christianity**.

In **Character Curriculum** we'll be looking at being ourselves and celebrating difference.

In **Music** we'll be combining musical activities and games with listening exercises. The children will be encouraged to take part in ensemble singing in tune and on time. Developing a sense of pulse and time will also be studied this term.

In **Computing**, we will be asking what is technology? We will develop our understanding of technology and the ways it can help us, particularly through using iPads and the Seesaw application.

In **English** we will be:

reading the story of the Colour Monster by Anna Llenas. We will learn all about nouns and adjectives and how we can use them to make our sentences colourful and imaginative. We will also begin working on creating full sentences, using a capital letter at the start, a full stop at the end, finger spaces between each word and reading our work back once we have finished.

In **Maths** we will be learning about:

- Numbers within 10.
- Addition and subtraction within 10.
- Shape and patterns.
- Numbers within 20.
- Addition and subtraction within 20.

In **Spanish**, we'll be learning:

- Introductions and greetings: "yo soy..."
- To listen and respond to classroom instructions.
- Los numeros: Learning and counting up to 10.
- La Navidad: Learning and appreciating the Spanish culture and how they celebrate Christmas.

In **Art** this term, we will be learning how to use technical skills to express our own creative ideas. We will be experimenting with a range of different pens, pastels and paints.

Parent support in these lessons:

We know the interest you take in your child's work. Please discuss with your child the learning they have done and let them teach you.

If you have any skills or knowledge related to these topics that you would like to share, please do let us know! We would love a visit from a healthcare professional/ builder/architect etc.