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Issue 9 8th November 2019 SWIMMING SCHOOL NEWS Monday 11th November—Year 3 and 5 Lunchtime help—We desperately need help on Fridays, 11.30am-1.30pm with lunchtime care. If Tuesday 12th November—Year 2 anyone is interested (or can help with) in this one day, 2 hour post kindly email the school office. Children are not allowed to wear earrings during Thank you. swimming lessons and must have Daily Mile—Because of the weather the daily a red swimming hat. mile will not be taking place. It will be re-instated in the Spring Term. CATERING NEWS Juniors please pay lunches on School Money- £2.20 per day PUPIL NEWS Year 6 Victorian Day—We will be having a Week 2 Victorian experience day on 22nd November. Kindly make sure the kitchen is The children are asked to dress up as Victorian aware of any allergies. children. Don't forget to bring a penny for Snack Bar 25p school. Photographs—Please find the Pret-a-Portrait DIARY DATES viewing cards in your Friday folder. Please order Autumn Term 2019 online, you will get 25% off orders placed before November 26th November. 12th Parents Evening 3.45-6.45pm Children in Need—We will be joining in Children 15th Flu Immunisation in Need Day on 15th November along with the 15th Children in Need Day rest of the country. The children may come 21st Walk to School Day dressed in spots on the day for a donation of £1 22nd Year 6 Victorian Day please, payable on SchoolMoney. Thank you for 24th Family Mass at Our Lady of Compassion your support. 10.30am Year 6 Swimming—Please can the Year 6 25th Start of PSA Giving Week Year 6 Assembly children in Kelly's group bring t-shirts to 26th 28th Year 4 Public Speaking Festival swimming lessons on Monday 18th November. 28th Year 3 Visit to Cambridge Museums 29th PSA Non uniform day – Bring a bottle PRAYER OF THE WEEK 30th PSA Christmas Bazaar 3.00-5.00pm Dear Holy Father, December Year 5 to Baptist Church 6th Year 5 and 6 Spirit of Christmas 7th Thank you for our loving, caring families. Infant Production 9.30am and 6.30pm Thank you for our families who help us 11th through joyful and sorrowful times. Christmas Lunch 12th Help us to value and always cherish the 16th Infant Christmas Party 1.30pm Junior Christmas Production 2pm and brilliant things our families do for us. 17th 7pm 18th Christmas Mass 9.30am—All Welcome! Thank you for our families who give us 18th Junior Christmas Party 1.30pm comfort and warmth. Christmas Jumper Day Thank you for the kindness that 19th Walk to School Day our families show us. 19th 19th End of Term Thank you for our families who January make us feel special. Start Spring Term Help us to be good members of our families. Thank you for our families who encourage us WEB NEWS to do our best in everything Please look the website to see photographs we work hard to do. of the Year 3 Assembly, the Year 6 Tea Concert and Alice in Wonderland Day. Amen Talia, Jonathan, Sienna D, Patrick, Jake and Oliver

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Christmas cards—Please find in your Friday Folder your child's Christmas Card design. If you would like to order please return your form to school and pay in the shop on SchoolMoney. Please check the spelling of your child's name, return your card to the office if any mistakes.

Many thanks for your support!

The PSA have booked the pantomime **Cinderella** for families to attend on 31st January at 3.30pm. All families including younger siblings, relations and friends are invited. School age children do not have to have a parent in attendance however pre-schoolers do. The cost is £5 per head if booked before the end of November (£6 in December and January). We are putting this event in the shop area of SchoolMoney now as we know Christmas time is an expensive time of year. Pre book, pre-plan and take advantage of the reduced cost. In the past the panto evening has been really good family fun.

Celebration Ball

Thank you for your interest in our Ball. We do still have a limited number of tables left so it is not too late to get your tickets! To secure your place for the ball we would ask for a deposit of £20 by the end of October. To spread the cost and make it easier for people to pay we have set up the following payment plan:.

2nd instalment of £20 due by 30th November 2019

3rd instalment of £20 due by 29th February 2020

4th instalment of £20 due by 30th April 2020

Final payment of £20 due by 30th June 2020

For those of you who are currently at the school we will add this to your SchoolMoney account. If you are not currently at the school you may pay by cash, cheque payable to St Thomas More Catholic Primary School or by bank transfer

(Sort Code 30-97-13 Account Number: 0396610)

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Saffron Walden Music Festival 1st and 8th March 2020 At Saffron Walden County High School Please find entry forms at www.swchs.net

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Cross Country-On Wednesday 6th March 48 children in the juniors took part in the USSP Cross Country Event at Herberts Farm. Through gritted teeth and a very muddy course every child ran with amazing determination. Some outstanding individual performances saw Ava Cinque and Zachary Head winning gold, Rocco Stevens, Phoebe Sanders, India Rowlandson, Amelia Fox and Alex Cimmino winning silver and Oscar Moran winning bronze.

Collective team work saw:

Year 3 girls finishing 3rd, Year 3 boys 2nd, Year 4 girls 1st, Year 4 boys 4th, Year 5 girls 2nd, Year 5 boys 3rd, Year 6 girls 2nd and Year 6 boys finishing 4th.

We now wish all teams who finished 3rd and above plus all individual runners who were placed 5th and above every success at Carver Barracks on 13th March for the next round. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came to support the children.

Football—On Tuesday 5th November, 3 teams took part in Football fixtures against Katherine Semar school.

Under difficult conditions St Thomas More Years 3 & 4 boys played a well organised and talented Katherine Semar team. In what was the first competitive game for a lot of our boys they did remarkably well and should be very proud. Unfortunately losing 3-0. Man of the Match is Alex

Cimmino who broke down play well in the midfield and found some great passes to our forwards. A fantastic team performance saw STM Year 6 boys team beat KSJ 4-1. A disciplined performance with a solid defence and with every attack looking dangerous we found ourselves 2-0 up early on. After scoring a rather incredible own goal, we kept our heads and showed great sportsmanship we continued playing some great football, with a well deserved 4-1 win. Man of the Match was Zachary Head who worked continuously throughout the game.

Finally, the Year 6 girls took on a tough opposition. A very calm start, soon saw the girls dig deep and tackle hard. A late goal in the first half did not reflect the performance by all, with super defensive work and goal keeping. The girls played a super passing game but were unable to capitalise, resulting in a 1-0 loss. High praise from the Katherine Semar girls followed, and all round confident performance by all. Girl of the Match was Eva Gregory, who not only attacked the ball well, but showed great skill passing and moving off the ball also.

Well done to all the children who took part and to the parents and grandparents, who supported our teams.













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