



# St Thomas Community Primary School Newsletter



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## Head Teacher's Message

It has been a busy and somewhat challenging half term, with many tired faces in the final week! However, what has really put a smile on my face at the end of term are the events that we have held in the run up to Christmas. It has been lovely to see the children giving their very best, in events such as concerts and it has been lovely to see so many of you.

Have a lovely holiday and we will see you in 2024!

Best wishes,

## School Council Election and Pupil Voice Groups

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### Year 3 -

## Author Visit – Claire Fayers

It was lovely to see PC Fincher back in school delivering important sessions. This half term he visited Year 5 and spoke to them about anti-social behaviour and consequences for people's actions.

I think it's important to point out that we aren't at the top of school reserves - we are currently 5th from the top and as an LA, we have had the 6th biggest fall in reserves in the last 12 months. Couple this with the fact that we have far less schools in deficit than other authorities, and schools performing well, this should surely be seen as a positive. I think schools could quite easily spend all reserves but I think we are showing some effective financial management by not doing so, rather than essentially going bankrupt to prove a point to WG



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## Year 6 Football Festival

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## Theatr Na' Nog Performance

Year 6

### Important Dates

End of Autumn Term – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2023

INSET DAY 4 – 8/1/24 – no school for pupils

Start of Spring Term – Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### Attendance Target for the Year – 93%

**Attendance so far this year – 92.1%**

Mr Osborne, is working with the school and parents/carers to help improve attendance and punctuality

Have a lovely holiday and we will see you back in school on...

**Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**