St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School



21st July 2023 Newsletter

I'd like to use this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to all of the St Thomas Becket families for welcoming me into your community these past two terms. You and your children have made me feel very welcome, and I look forward to getting to know you even better in the coming years. I hope you have a lovely summer break and safe travels to those of you on the move over the holidays. Mr Skehan

Farewell Yr6

Today we say 'So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen...' (but not goodbye) to our Yr6 cohort as they leave us to begin a new part of their learning journey at their new secondary schools. The many events of recent weeks, especially the Yr6 production and leavers mass, have reinforced what a talented and enthusiastic group they have been. They will always be part of the Becket family and we look forward to seeing them popping in to see us every now and again at social events or to collect younger siblings. To the families who are leaving us today, we wish you and yours all the best and we hope to see you again in the future as part of our extended community.



Christy Jordan Award Winner



Myah J has been awarded the Christy Jordan Award for 2023. She has been chosen for her positive 'can-do' attitude and for being an exceptionally caring friend. Well done Myah!



Shooting Stars



Butterflies
Ladybirds
St Joseph
St Elizabeth
St Francis
St Anne

St Peter

Mrs Fewtrell
Mrs Clarke
Miss Nelson-Bird
Mrs Williams-Vernon
Miss Earl
Mrs Mirza
Mr Bonnar

St Bernadette Miss Carter
St Paul Mrs Lee
St Therese Miss Barrett
St Martin Mr Slater
St Cecilia Mr Ocansey
St Benedict Mrs McFeat
St Brigid Mrs Haywood-White

STBSA Thanks

Some of our school council said thank you to our amazing STBSA leads Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Rawlinson this week on behalf of the pupils and staff. We are also very grateful to all the other adults who help out at STBSA events and of course everyone who attends them. Thanks so much for all of your hard work—it makes such a difference to the school.



Choir performance

Our KS2 choir had one final chance to shine this week as they performed a selection of their favourite songs for the rest of the school and some of their parents / carers. The children were amazing under the guidance of the very talented Mrs Longhurst. Well done team.



Big Butterfly Count

The School Council completed their final activity on behalf of the school; the Big Butterfly Count. The Big Butterfly Count is a UK-wide survey aimed at helping assess the health of our environment by counting the amount and type of butterflies (and some day-flying moths) we see.

We are delighted to count five butterflies in our survey showing a real improvement in our biodiversity in school.

If you would like to take part at home, please click https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org/

Instrumental Concert

On Tuesday 20 of our children played instruments individually or in groups as part of our final instrument concert of the year. There were so many pupils who wanted to participate that Mrs Longhurst has had to organize an 'overflow' concert for September. Well done to everyone who took part.













Achievement Well done to Esme

Esmée (St Therese) for her Stagecoach award, Oscar (St Bernadette) for his judo medal, Benjamin (Butterflies) for his gymnastics medal, Aenon (St Joseph) for his running medal and to Nicole (St Francis) for her Rainbows badges









