

## PROSPECTUS **2021 - 2022**

Our vision is to see a school where...

Our children can make informed healthy choices

Our children are empowered to recognise and take positive action

Our children are skilled and have high aspirations for their own personal and social development

Our children have a desire to make a positive impact on their own lives and their community

Our children will understand the value of being self-sufficient

## Foreword from the Head Teacher

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to St Thomas CE (VC) Primary School, Huddersfield. We are a proud school who warmly welcome everyone that enters through our doors. We work hard to nurture relationships with our children and families to ensure that our children enjoy their school experience. Enjoyment at school is the firm foundation for learning and our school demonstrates this philosophy with each pupil and family interaction.

Each day at St Thomas is an important one. Our children are welcomed each morning before engaging in a positive and productive learning experience. We ensure that our children learn about themselves and those around them and that they feel confident and safe. We provide a caring and supportive environment in which your child can achieve in a wide range of areas. We seek to develop independent, self-disciplined, happy children with a love of learning. We carefully support each individual to acquire all the right attitudes, knowledge and skills to enable them to fulfil their potential both here and in later life.

The school day extends further with a broad and exciting range of extra-curricular activities and our children can continue their learning at home through our virtual learning environment; learning online through educational games and communicating through our own safe social network.

St Thomas also collaborates closely with our community and beyond to engage our children in every aspect of school life. Artists, actors, athletes, historians and musicians are among the many visitors who frequent our classrooms, taking the children's learning further still.

It makes me very proud to write this introductory statement but it is also a challenge to summarise the depth of care within our school. I am always happy to get to know and work closely with our families and I would encourage you to ask further questions if you would like to do so.

We confidently expect the years at St Thomas to be a happy and successful time in your child's life and to provide a firm foundation in preparation for life's wonderful adventure.

Please visit our website <a href="www.stthomas.org.uk">www.stthomas.org.uk</a> which should give you a good idea of what our school is like but if this doesn't tell you all you need to know, please just call and ask. You are also welcome to arrange a visit, we would be delighted to show you around.

Head Teacher – Mrs K Meade					
Deputy Head Teacher - Mrs C Goddard  Assistant Head Teacher & SENCO - Mrs J Bray  Senior Leaders - Mr C Boosey					
Early Years Foundation Stage		Key Stage 1			
•	Reception	Year 1	Key 5	Year 2	
Nursery	Class RE	Class 1LC		Class 2BS	
Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:		Class Teacher:	
Mrs S McGregor	Mrs E Elliot	Mrs R Littlewood		Mr B Smith	
Classroom Support:		Classroom Support:		Classroom Support:	
Mrs C Blanchard - Nursery Nurse	Class RT	Mrs S Earnshaw		Mrs S Mulla	
Mrs N Reed	Class Teacher:				
	Mrs R Tempest	Class 1S		Class 2JS	
	G	Class Teacher:		Class Teachers:	
	Classroom Support: Mrs J Fox - Nursery Nurse	Miss L Stoker		Mr J Steels	
	Miss G Dolphin	Classroom Support:  Mrs D Hill / Mrs S Khai	n	Classroom Support: Mrs S Reed	
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Key Stage 2					
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5		Year 6	
Class 3D	Class 4A	Class <b>5J</b>		Class 6B	
Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:		Class Teacher:	
Miss S Dickson	Mrs K Appleton	Mrs L Jones		Mr C Boosey	
Classroom Support:	Classroom Support:	Classroom Support:		Classroom Support:	
Mr T Spickett	Mrs S Hepworth	Mrs D Phillips		Miss S Williams	
Class 3S	Class 4P	Class <b>5L</b>		Class <b>6W</b>	
Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:	Class Teacher:		Class Teachers:	
Mrs H Sloan	Mr G Power	Mrs R Littlewood		Mrs K Washington	
Classroom Support: Mrs T Davies	Classroom Support: Mrs J Moran	Classroom Support: Miss I Ahmad		Classroom Support: Mr T Plunkett	
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	Additional I	Needs Team:			
SEN Co-ordinator:	Inclusion Manager:	Safeguarding Leads:		Home/School Family Support:	
Mrs J Bray	Mr L Bradley	Mrs K Meade		Mrs M Gay	
SEN Support:		Mrs J Bray			
Mrs D Clarkson Mrs A Dockery	Inclusion Support: Miss K Atkinson	Safeguarding Officer:			
Mrs D Donaldson	Mr S Bray	Mrs D Johnson			
Miss L Donoghue	Miss H Cairns	Will be defined in			
Miss C Fisher	Mrs K Mead				
Mrs C Horner	Mrs P Pearson				
Mrs G Imran					
Miss H Oldfield					
Miss C Stansfield					
Mrs N Yaqoob					
Administration Team:	Planning & Preparation Support	(PPA) Teachers:	Governors	<u> </u> 	
School Business Manager:			Mrs S Scott – Chair		
Miss L Torbett	Mrs H Fullwood		Mr D Hewitt		
	Maternity Leave:		Mrs A Howarth		
Senior Administration Officer:			Mr I Jamieson		
Mrs A Mitchell	Colonia de		Mrs K Meade		
Administration Officers:	School Caretaker:		Miss H Oldfield Miss S Palmer		
Mrs J Ball	Mr P Brook		Miss S Palmer Mrs J Roy		
Mrs M Gill	Additional Lunchtime Supervisors:		Mrs J Simpson		
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Receptionist:			Mr A Walkley		
Miss D Kane					

Our School Day			
8.40 am	The start of the school day - this is when the school side doors open Our Reception and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) teachers collect children from the yard, before escorting them into class for their first activity of the day. Our Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) pupils enter the school independently, heading straight for class where their teacher will have a learning task prepared.		
8.50 am	Our side doors close and registers are taken Access is now through the main front door. Pupils arriving after this time are late for school and receive a late mark.		
9.00 am	Collective Worship Our children take this time to think about their own lives and the world that we live in.		
9.30 am	Session 1		
10.30 am	Playtime		
10.45 am	Session 2		
12.00 pm	Reception and Key Stage 1 - lunchtime begins		
12.15 pm	Key Stage 2 - lunchtime begins Lunchtime for all children at St Thomas is a valuable part of the school day. We have a broad and healthy range of meals ensuring that the children have choice and enjoyment. This is followed by play or time spent in one of our lunchtime zones which include indoor games, football and ICT.		
1.00 pm	Session 3		
3.00 pm	Reception and Key Stage 1 - end of the day		
3.05 pm	Key Stage 2 - end of the day		
3.05 - 4.00 pm	We are gradually reintroducing extra-curricular clubs as restrictions ease. Our extensive list of extra-curricular clubs has included a wide variety of activities such as gardening, sewing, knitting, arts & crafts, football, netball and tennis amongst many others.		

