



## Value of the month – Faith

### Dear Parents and Carers

Our week began with the House Captains for Thomas Moore House leading the Assembly and telling us all about Thomas More and his life. We learnt about how his life and works linked to our school value of the month – Faith. It was lovely to see those in Thomas More House wearing their house colours – red. Well done to Emma and Alex, the House Captains, who worked hard on researching Thomas More, producing their power-point and on their presentation and speaking skills – it is quite a daunting task to speak to the whole school! A big thanks goes to Mrs Fawcett, who is helping the children with their assembly preparation.

Next week on Monday it is the turn of Margaret Clitheroe – yellow house. Children in this house may wear yellow. The suggested donation to CAFOD is £1.

Yesterday at Sunnydown School a number of Parents and Governors attended at workshop led by Will Ord on how to help children develop a 'Growth Mindset', which helps children to be resilient, confident and to persevere with challenges, rather than giving up. Mrs Fawcett, Mrs Dommett and Miss Denny have been sharing this concept with the Staff in school and we are trying out some of the strategies that support children to develop this growth mindset.

Best wishes,

Mrs Wheeler

### Mothers' Day FAIRTRADE SALE

Following our focus on Fairtrade Fortnight later this term, we will be holding a Fairtrade Sale with delightful gifts the children can purchase for mums. The sale will be held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018, just before Mothering Sunday. Items will be under £5.00. Please remind your children (as we will do) as they really do enjoy choosing and paying for something special for you!

### Letters home this week

Down House – Year 6

### House Assemblies

The assembly dates are as follows:

- **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January : Margaret Clitheroe**
- **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January : Anne Line**
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February : John Fisher**

CAFOD's Lenten Appeal this year reminds us to live simpler lives and to help others to become more self-sufficient. Thank you.

### Lunch Money

The amounts due for the Spring Term are as follows:

Weekly - £11.25  
First half term - £60.75  
Second half term - £63.00  
Whole term - £123.75

Payment can be made online via Tucasi.

## Diary Dates

<b>January</b>		
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Margaret Clitheroe House Assembly/ House Colours. Bring a donation
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Anne Line House Assembly/ House Colours. Bring a donation
<b>February</b>		
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Chinese Dance Workshop – Yrs R, 1 & 3. See letter sent home today
Monday	5 <sup>th</sup>	John Fisher House Assembly/ House Colours. Bring a donation
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Break up for half term.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>School re-opens for the second half of the Spring Term</b>
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Football & Netball matches vs Marden Lodge
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country Rally at Whyteleafe School
<b>March</b>		
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	World Book Day
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Visit to Down House
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pilgrim's Progress by The Oddments Theatre – Yrs 4, 5 & 6
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Purley & Coulsdon Music Festival – Infant & Junior choirs
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers' Day Fairtrade Sale



### School Association

#### Mufti Day - 9th February

Suggested contribution is £1. All proceeds of events such as these go towards buying essential items such as books for the benefit of all our children.

#### Save the date

Quiz Night - 10/03/18

Summer BBQ - 25/05/18

Next PTA meeting - 7:30pm on 25/04/18 in the school hall. All welcome! Especially parents that may not have been before, but would like to come and see what we do and how we can help to raise essential funds for our children's school.