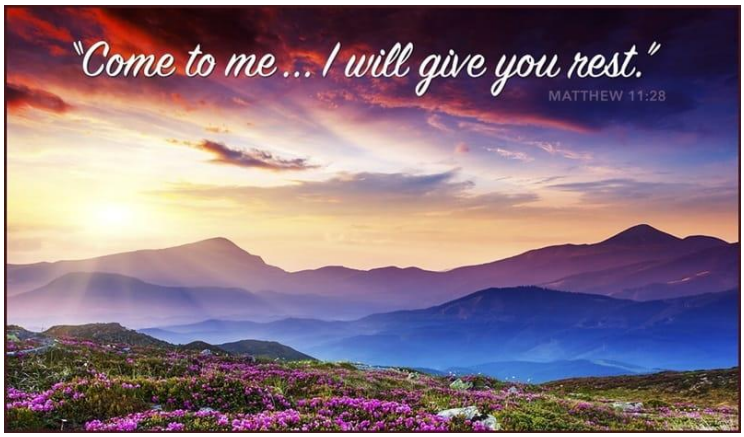
WEEKLY SCRIPTURE



Rest is important to your spiritual walk with the Lord. Rest allows our mind, body, and soul to renew and start with even more strength and focus.

Scripture is filled with God's promises to provide rest when we seek Him. God is an endless source of peace and strength and He created us to need Him!

We hope our TMC families get to spend some quality time together this holiday, take time out to rest, and reconnect with one another.

Have a safe and blessed holiday.

GENERAL NEWS

PPA News

The Past Pupils' Association and the High School would like to thank all the Mentors (Parents, Alumni and Past Parents) who took time out of their busy lives to engage with our Grade 9 and 11 High School pupils on Wednesday 19 June 2019 for our 3rd Homegrown.

Social Media

If you are on social media platforms (Facebook and Instagram) and are not yet following Thomas More College, please visit the following links to like, follow or share our pages with family and friends. Facebook & Instagram

Country Fair - Raffle prizes needed

If you know someone who would be willing to sponsor a prize, or donate items for the Country Fair Raffle - please chat to Rae Griesel, or deliver items to the Great House for Rae's attention - please remember to leave your details/or email your business logo to appear on the raffle sheet.

Country Fair - Book Stall

The Book Stall needs your unwanted books - if you have any books you no longer need or want, please send these to Mrs Griesel in the Great House.

NEWS FROM THE PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADMISTRESS

It is hard to believe that the holidays are upon us. To our parents, thank you for your support and the contributions you make, whether being a loyal sports supporter, taxi to and from sport matches, on committees, as a class rep/ mom or reading mom/dad, or just being there to support your child in all his/ her activities! Thank you too for sending in the extra sandwich for the 1000 Hills Outreach, winter woollies or that extra jar of peanut butter, or loaf of bread to assist the 1000 Hills Community over the holiday period and for the response to the Parents' Council request for tombola items for the Country Fair.

When we review what has been achieved, I wish to place on note my appreciation of our teachers. The commitment, energy and willingness to go the extra distance is appreciated! While teaching is very rewarding, it is also a very demanding profession! We have a very special team here at Thomas More and we are grateful to them for their loyalty and the high standards they set in all they do. We also appreciate all the support we receive from the admin staff who keep the cogs turning, and from our maintenance, cleaning, estate and kitchen staff who also do a superb job.

This past Monday, 16 June, was Youth Day in South Africa to commemorate the 1976 Soweto uprisings, when a large group of school children gathered at Orlando, Soweto to march against the pending government re the imposition of a language and inequalities in education. The police arrived to break up the protest and during the confrontation, fired ammunition at the students. Today this event is still remembered.

Thinking of the reason why we had a public holiday on Monday made me again aware of how privileged our pupils are to have the type of education they have at Thomas More. As we near the end of this busy and successful second term, we can be grateful for the "*Inspired Education*", teaching and learning which takes place. Much has been achieved on all fronts: academically; spiritually, with our uplifting "Christian Arts Festival", culturally, with our culture Alive assemblies. Grade 6 and 7 *Sunset Proms*, *"Rhythms of Africa", KZN Youth Orchestra evening* and the *Rock and Royal Show* at the Royal Agricultural Show in PMB. On the sporting front, our teams have also performed well, culminating in our first rugby team winning their final game against Athol Heights and excellent results on the netball front. Congratulations to our sportsmen and women and their coaches on an excellent term of sport.

As I was writing report comments and visualizing our pupils and how they had fared during the term, I was thrilled in general at the progress made and the accomplishments of many. These reports will be available online through the parent portal from today, Friday 21 June at 14:00.

Whilst going over the report comments, I was saddened when I realised again that there were a few emigrating. To those leaving our Thomas More family, thank you for the contributions you have made to our school, for the role you have played and the memories you have created. As you leave us, you will always take a little bit of Thomas More with you. We wish you well and trust you will hold our school flag high wherever you are, and remember us fondly. Do stay in touch, we would love to know how you are faring.

All of our Primary School pupils were given their Parents' Council Country Fair raffle forms yesterday to make it easier to get then filled in over the holidays.

Wishing you an enjoyable holiday and safe travelling if you are going away. All the best also to our Hockey team who leave on 12 July for their sports trip to Cape Town. We wish them and their coaches all the very best. To those rehearsing for our SP play next term, or attending holiday sports clinics, may you have fun as well as improve your skills. Best wishes also to those pupils representing KZN in sports matches during the holidays.

The third term commences on Tuesday 16 July for pupils. Please do remember that the first Friday in the first week is our Inter-house field events. School will end at 13:50 on that Friday, not at 12:45. Saturday 20th is a compulsory

school day with our Inter-house track events. The following Saturday is also a compulsory day with it being the Country Fair.

All the very best for a happy and family orientated holiday.

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ACADEMIC, SPORT & CULTURE ACHIEVEMENTS

Please remember to submit your child's achievements to the Deputy Head (re: Academics) cultural or sports HOD in your phase for inclusion in the weekly newsletter.

Weekly Achievers
Sponsored by Roman's Pizza (Kloof). We encourage our families to please support Roman's as a token of appreciation for all that they do for Thomas More College.

1B	Lily Hoar for her entertaining activing during our Duck story.
1R	Khwezi Zuma for trying so hard to follow instructions and work independently!
1S	Erin Chaplin for the lovely progress she has made with her reading and sentence writing this term.
2D	Liam Thompson for his conscientious effort in the classroom with his work and being so well organised.
2K	Khangisa Hlatshwayo for always being so eager to learn new information and skills, and for sharing her enthusiasm and excitement for learning with her peers.
2R	Ava Burnand for the wonderful effort she puts into her lessons and for the interesting well written stories she produces.
3B	Sarah Dunlop for her growth in self-confidence and belief in herself.
3M	Khwezi Maphanga for producing excellent work this term and always being a good friend to others.
3V	Dinic Breedt shows great determination and enthusiasm in each lesson. She works hard and is a great example to others. Well done Dinic.
4J	Naomi Easson for always being willing to lend a helping hand and thinking of others.
4D	Kayla Perry for self-growth and her improved determination in class.
4C	Cailee Pretorius for her creativity and kindness.
5McG	Merrick Beetge for always giving of his best and his helping hand in the classroom.
5M	Ryan McKey for a more positive approach towards his school day and for being a good friend.
5V	Ciara Valentine for her improved co-operation and participation in class.
6F	Tristan White for his positivity, kindness and joy that he brings into the classroom.
6L	Landyn Fouche for his enthusiastic participation in the classroom and on the sports field.
6McC	Gregory Acklom for his consistent approach and effort in all he does.
7J	Izabella Chetty for her cheerful disposition and excellent work ethic.
7C	Jordan Bezuidenhout for her consistent hard work throughout the term.
7M	Jake du Buisson for his outstanding karate results and always being a gentleman in victory.
7H	Kaeuren Naidoo for his diligence towards his academics, keep it up.

Mathletics
Elia Naik has achieved her gold certificate in Mathletics. Congratulations Elia.

Rock Climbing
Bethany Steenkamp: 1st positon in Speed, 3rd in bouldering and 5th in the Lead event. She took 1st position in the overall combined event.
Faran Steenkamp: 4th in Speed, 8th in Bouldering and 13th in Lead. He also made the Finals in the Open Speed Event.
Jonty Thompson: 4th in Speed, 6th in the Bouldering and 6th in the lead event.
Ziyanda Mchunu: 9th in Speed, 9th in the Bouldering and 9th in the Speed.
Brendan Kuhnert: 8th in the Bouldering and 6th in the Lead.
Well done to all our climbers!

QUICK LINKS / WHATS ON

Academic Calendars

G05 G06 G07 G08 G09 G10 G11 G12

Sporting / Cultural Calendars

FP SP HS

Portals

PARENT | STUDENT | ALUMNI | D6 School