CAN YOU HELP?

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/TeamTomsdr

Thomas Hogan is 16 years of age and a former pupil of Holy Trinity. His younger brother is a current pupil of the school.

Thomas had meningitis as a baby which left him with Cerebral Palsy, greatly affecting his mobility and giving rise to other medical complications. Throughout his time at Holy Trinity, Thomas underwent extensive physiotherapy and other medical interventions, with great courage. He was popular with other children and was elected School Council Leader by them when he was in Year 6.

Recently, Thomas has suffered a further setback, having been suddenly paralysed from the arm pits down due to a neurological condition linked to his Cerebral Palsy. The good news is that his condition can be improved by an operation that can be carried out in the U.K.

Unfortunately, the operation cannot be carried out by the NHS and will cost £30,000 to perform. The link at the top of this article goes to the Just Giving Page set up by his parents, to invite donations to support their efforts in raising the money.

If you are able, please consider making a small donation to Team Tom. Every amount, no matter how small, will be gratefully received by his parents.

Our upcoming Elf Day will now be a fundraising event for Team Tom, which will provide an alternative way for you to contribute to the fundraising effort.

GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK TO MRS BOLTON:

Mrs Bolton will be leaving us at the end of term. She joined the school as a Newly Qualified Teacher in 2001 and will have completed almost 20 years at the school when she leaves. In her time at the school she has taught in every year group from Y2 to Y6, and was responsible for organising P.T.A. events such as the Christmas and Summer Fairs.

She had originally intended to leave at the end of the last school year, but decided to delay her departure due to the pandemic. She will be leaving the teaching profession, in order to pursue a new career.

We wish her every good luck in her new career as a Celebrant, and thank her very much for her service to the children of the school.

COVID-19 REGULATIONS REMINDER ABOUT ITEMS BEING BROUGHT FROM HOME

Please do not allow your child to bring toys or other items from home. There have been several occasions this week where a child has brought in a toy and allowed other children to hold it. This increases the risk of virus transmission.

Similarly, some children like to buy their teacher a small present at Christmas. For this year, we ask that this is also not done.

YEAR 4 TEACHER-PARENT MEETINGS

As Year 4 will be self-isolating until Wednesday 9th December, and Mrs Grimshaw will not be well enough to conduct her meetings, the scheduled Teacher-Parent Meetings on Wednesday 2nd December will be postponed until Wednesday 6th January. The appointment times will remain the same.

PENNY PINCHING BOXES:

If you have any Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching Boxes at home, the final date for their return is Monday 30^{th} November.

Children who are self-isolating are not counted as being absent.

CLASS ATTENDANCE COMPETITION		
1 st Place	CLASS 3B, CLASS 4D, CLASS 6D	100%
2 nd Place	CLASS 4GT	99.2%
3 rd Place	CLASS 5B	98.7%
This week's Overall School Attendance Rate >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>		96.0%
The Attendance Rate since the Start of the School Year >>>>>		96.1%