

St. Theresa's Newsletter

St. Theresa's
Catholic Primary School



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Autumn TERM 2016 – Friday 21st October

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Parent Consultations this week. The children have made a huge effort with their learning this half term. They always try their hardest and the staff always work hard to ensure the children are given the best opportunities to challenge themselves.

We had our annual visit this week from the Local Authority Early Years Advisor. We are extremely pleased to announce that she was very impressed with the Reception Team and celebrated how wonderful the children are and how well they have settled into school. She acknowledged the excellent provision the children are given in order to support their learning. Thank you to Miss Johnson our Early Years Leader, Miss Canals our Reception Class Teacher and Mrs Hartnett, Mrs Fraser, Mrs McGrath and Mrs Hamerton for their dedication and commitment to the children.

Our 'Harvest Festival' celebrations were fantastic! The children participated beautifully and were reverent in their prayers. Thank you to everyone who donated food for this festival. The staff at Barnet Homeless Centre and St Vincent's were overwhelmed with your generosity. It really illustrates how the St Theresa's community work together to serve those less fortunate than others. Thank you all for your support this half term. We wish you a restful and happy break.

God Bless! Mrs O'Melia and Mrs Pears ☺.

Sukkot

On Thursday Year 3 and Year 4 Blue visited Akiva School to learn about the Jewish festival of Sukkot. They were invited into the succah (shelter). Sukkot is a celebration which marks the end of harvest. The children enjoyed this experience.

Dentist

The dentist came to visit Year 4 Red and Year 4 Blue on Wednesday. She explained the importance of looking after our teeth.

'We found out that when you have a toothache it comes from the nerve in your tooth. I didn't realise that we have nerves in our teeth. I thought the pain was our gum. We learnt so much interesting information.'

Ronan Yr4 Blue.

School Photographs

Thank you for sending your children into school looking very smart and with their best smiles!

All children should now be in full winter uniform. If you have any items missing please ensure you replace them over the half term.

Reminders! - Holidays in term time will not be permitted. Please ensure your child is present the last day of the term and the first day of a new term. These are checked by the EWO. Punctuality is checked too! The gates open at 8:30am and the school day starts at 8:50am. Thank you! Please would you bring an appointment card if your child is visiting the doctor, dentist or a letter if it's a hospital appointment. Please try to make medical appointments after school if you are able to do so. Many thanks for your support.

Rainy mornings. On rainy mornings please take your child to the side door at 8:30am where the children will be supervised in the hall until 8:40am. They will then be sent to their classrooms where their teachers will welcome them. This is for all children including Reception children. Reception parents do not need to take their child to the classroom. The children are very settled and are perfectly able to follow this routine. Thank

Dates for your diary – Parents are welcome to all Assemblies & Masses

1st November - Mass for All Saints Day
 Year 4 Blue Class Assembly 9th November 9:15am
 Anti-Bully Week 14th November
 Operation Shoe Boxes drop off week 14th November
 Infant Movie Night Wednesday 23rd November 3:30pm
 Year 2 Class Assembly 23rd November 9:15am
 Junior Movie Night Thursday 24th November 3:30pm



Achievements



Y1	Rio - For his positive attitude to learning. Lily-Rose - For being a kind and helpful friend.
Y2	Maja C - For being a kind and patient friend to all. Aidan - For his excellent progress in Maths this term.
Y3	Emily - For consistently displaying good behaviour in class and around school. Filip P - For being a helpful and thoughtful member of our class.
Y4 Red	All Year 4 Red - For two successful parent consultations this week!
Y4 Blue	Arturo - For his enthusiasm and progress throughout the term so far. Ella - For her enthusiasm and progress throughout this half term.
Y5	Adi - For an excellent persuasive letter. Kristy - For some fantastic artwork in the style of William Morris.
Y6	Mariana - For using her learning muscles to have a go and enjoy learning during poetry writing. Well done! Scarlett - For her enthusiasm to share her idea and understanding about Angles. Fantastic work, keep it up!

Well done to everyone who tried their best this week and worked hard to challenge themselves.

**Golden Children this week are.
 Evile Yr 1 and Sophia Yr 4 Blue**

Prospective Parent Tour Dates

The prospective parent tour of St Theresa's will take place in November.

The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 15th November
 Thursday 17th November
 Monday 21st November
 Thursday 24th November.

We look forward to showing you around our lovely school.

Attendance this week



Reception	99%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	99%
Year 4 Red	99%
Year 4 Blue	99%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	99%
Total Attendance	98%

Well done to Reception, Yr 3, 4 Red, 4 Blue and 6 who had the best attendance this week.

We need to be above 98% each week at least! There's been a lot of sickness this week.

