

St. Theresa's Newsletter

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AUTUMN TERM 2014 – Friday 14th November

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children at St Theresa's are provided with a rich and varied curriculum and this week was no exception. 18 children from Year 6 spent an afternoon at QE Girls School participating in a sports hall athletics competition. All classes performed in our Poetry Assembly on Wednesday and recited a poem to the rest of the school. Thank you to all the parents who came and spent the rest of the afternoon in their child's class writing and performing poetry. Many thanks to Miss Johnson who organised this successful event. Sr Jenny has been teaching the children new hymns with a modern twist as a result of our RE INSET day which was held at Sacred Heart School. The hymns are from CJM Boyce & Stanley and the children like them and have really responded to the spiritual moments we create as we sing together. We also welcome back Mrs Deale Yates to St Theresa's. Next week she will start to teach the key stage 2 children the carols for our Christmas Carol Service in December! Have a lovely weekend. **Miss Kelly**

School Sports

As you are aware we are trying to improve and increase the profile of sport in our school and over the past week we certainly have made a great start!

18 children from Year 6 attended our 1st Sports Hall Athletics event at QE Girls. We came 6th out of 8 schools. The free sportshall athletics club has now ended and was replaced on Tuesday with a KS1 C4L club. 25 children from KS1 attended.

The Year 5&6 tag rugby club ends this week as the competition is next Thursday. This will be replaced by a Year 3&4 tag rugby club – letters will be out shortly!

All KS2 children have taken part in intra-challenges and the Year 6's came 3rd in the Inter virtual challenge!

Girls' football trials took place on Wednesday and unfortunately our 1st boys' football match of the season was rained off. Our 1st boys match will now take place next week in the borough cup.

Road Safety Week

This week the children have been learning about how to keep safe when out and about. "You should not be running near a road in case you trip over or fall on the road. You should always cross the road at a crossing and wear something that is bright on your clothes when it's dark," says Joshua and Jacques in Year 3.

Reminders! Attendance – Our Education Welfare Officer will be visiting next Thursday to check our attendance. She will also be following up on children whose parents received phone calls and letters regarding absences. I have recently received several requests asking for permission to take children on holiday as the flights are cheaper. I am not permitted to authorise holidays during term time and have a duty as Headteacher to issue penalty notices in accordance with DFE procedures if holidays are taken without permission. Please ensure your child's attendance is above 95%.

Thank you!

Dates for your diary

Friday 21st November 2:30am - please see change of time **Black History Music Assembly Parents Welcome!**

Friday 21st November 8:30am please see change to this date as I now have to attend a course in London.

Class Parent rep Meeting

Monday 24th - Thursday 27th November **Bikeability Year 6**

Wednesday 3rd December Year 5 to **Westminster Cathedral** am

Thursday 4th December 9:30 to 10am **Reception Nativity Parents Welcome**

Friday 12th December 11am **Christmas Jumper Day Assembly Parents welcome**

Saturday 13th December 12 to 3pm **Christmas Fair Everyone welcome!**



Achievements



R	Julia - Settling into St. Theresa's. Joanna - For being a kind and happy member of the class.
Y1	Hugo - Being a 'Have A Go Mo' in maths. Bayley - Fantastic attitude towards learning.
Y2 Red	Sophia - Writing a set of clear instructions using time connectives. Caeden - Wonderful effort with partitioning numbers.
Y2 Blue	Ronan - Being a great friend and helping David settle in. Lola - Excellent effort and enthusiasm on Poetry Day.
Y3	Roxy - Making a brilliant effort with her handwriting. Louie - Always being polite and courteous.
Y4	Lola - Being wonderful, kind, hardworking member of St. Theresa's. Sofia - Working hard this week.
Y5	Jamie - An excellent piece of Home learning with his non-fiction text. Georgia - writing an interesting letter as an evacuee.
Y6	Jagoda - Showing great progress in literacy. Angelo - Producing a great build up and climax for his flashback.

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

St George's won their 1st star for the House Points Board this week



Well done for your great behaviour and learning attitude!

Poetry Day Success!

Many thanks to all the parents who attended our Poetry Day Assembly and workshops on Wednesday.

It was fantastic to listen to each class performing their poems with such confidence and enthusiasm.

I have been really impressed with the children's interest and motivation around this topic and it was really lovely to see parents getting involved in our workshops.

We definitely have some budding poets among us!

Many thanks for joining us in our celebration. It was great to be able to share the children's learning with you in such a hands-on way!

Miss Johnson

Attendance

Yr 5 had the best attendance this week, with 100% attendance! 97% of children in the school came to school every day this week. Well done everyone!!

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