# St. Theresa's Newsletter









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**AUTUMN TERM 2014** – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November

# Dear Parents/Carers,

The Christmas nativity and concert preparation is underway and there's a stream of carol singing coming from the hall. The stage is up and parts are being learnt. The Christmas displays are going up and Christmas dinner is booked! This Sunday is the first Sunday of advent. We will light the first candle of our beautifully arranged advent wreath (Thank you Miss Johnson - as always) in Monday's Gospel assembly as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ. A baby being born is always a joy for everyone. This week we welcomed Noah William Sweetingham to the world. Noah was born on Tuesday weighing in at 8.11lbs. We wish the Sweetingham Family huge congratulations and God's blessing from the entire St Theresa's community.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone! Miss Kelly

# Black History Month assembly

Many thanks to everyone who came to our Black History month assembly. The children spent all of October learning about Black heroes in our global community both past and present. We heard the children sing a range of songs from the Lion King and Aretha Franklin's RESPECT to Marvin Gaye's "Aint no mountain high enough." Not only did the children learn some timeless classics, they also learnt about the issues surrounding the songs. Year 6 particularly learnt about segregation through the song "I know where I've been". This was certainly a wonderful learning experience for our children and a wonderful concert for everyone who came.

# Parking over drives & on pavements

We have had several complaints from our neighbours where parents have parked across their drives when dropping off or picking up their children from school. One neighbour could not get to work as his car was blocked in. Another parent parked on the school crossing. We want our children to be safe and we want to be considerate to our neighbours. We have contacted Barnet Council who will be sending the community police officers and traffic wardens to issue tickets. Park up the road and walk please.

**Reminders!** Attendance – Please see our Attendance Policy on the website. It has useful information on how we record attendance, absences and lateness's. It also gives detailed information on how fixed penalty notices are issued. Fines are £120 per person in the family if absences are taken without a valid reason.

<u>St Theresa's School Uniform</u> Please ensure your child wears a navy coat and the St Theresa's Woolly hat. Recently children have been wearing animal shape fashion hats and coloured coats. This is not permitted. Thank you!

# Dates for your diary - Please see more dates on website

Wednesday 3rd December Year 5 to Westminster Cathedral am

Thursday 4th December 9:30am Reception Nativity Parents Welcome!

Tuesday 9th December 7pm E Safety Meeting for Parents Parents Welcome!

Wednesday 10th December 9:30am Infant Nativity Parents Welcome!

Thursday 11th December Christmas dinner

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

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December 12 to 3pm Christmas Fair Everyone welcome!

Tuesday 16th December 7pm KS2 Christmas Carol Concert Parents Welcome!

Wednesday 17th Dec Christmas Party Day Christmas Dinner

# Achievements



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Recep	Maya For determination & learning Mia For presenting an amazing learning log Lili For being a kind friend
	Sonny For a fantastic attitude to learning
У1	Hayley For being extra helpful Milo For working really hard Martyna For a positive attitude Filip C For making and extra effort in his
Y2 Red	learning  Ben For his wonderful attitude to learning Flavia For being an excellent role model  James For working extremely hard  Natalia For asking fantastic questions
Y2 Blue	Anne For making an excellent effort Hugo For always approaching tasks with enthusiasm Max for his enthusiasm in his nativity role Camilo For excellent behaviour this week
У3	Ana For being a perfect role model Jaida For fabulous effort in numeracy Jayden For a super effort in numeracy Adi For his fantastic ICT skills
У4	Marianna For wonderful behaviour Molly D For her have a go attitude Nuno For his effort to improve his attitude to learning Lea For her enthusiasm in her learning
У5	Stefano For trying hard in all areas  Zudi For fantastic answers to tricky questions  Marta For an amazing effort in her work  Mia For her enthusiasm and effort
У6	Oscar For working really hard Aidan For writing a very professional newspaper article Benedite For having a fantastic attitude to learning Zander For working hard in Guided reading

St Patrick's won the most house points 2 weeks in a row!!

# **Sporting Activities**

Year 6 had bikeability this week and successfully completed either the Level 1 or Level 2 part of the training.

Many thanks for ensuring your child had their bike and helmets. The children really enjoyed this opportunity to learn how to be safe on their bikes whilst on the road.

## **Netball Match**

Our netballers played Holy Trinity School at home this week. They behaved superbly and didn't give up despite their defeat! Big thank you to Miss Martin for giving her time to the children as netball coach.

### **Girls Football Match**

Our girls' football team played Tudor School away this week. They have been playing for some time and are the school to beat.

Unfortunately we didn't beat them but the girls had lots of fun and learnt from the experience. Many thanks to Mrs O'Brien the girls' football coach!

## Attendance

Reception & Yr 5 had the best attendance this week, with 98% attendance! 97% of children in the school came to school every day this week. Well done everyone!! Can we make it 100% next week!

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