

St. Theresa's Newsletter

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AUTUMN TERM 2014 – Friday 19th December

Dear Parents/Carers,

On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank all the parents for your Christmas wishes and gifts. Your generosity is really appreciated by all the staff in the school. We have had a really lovely Advent. The Christmas Nativities and the Christmas Concert were as brilliant as ever. Each year they just continue to get even better. The Christmas trips to the theatres, the Christmas parties and the Christmas Fair were a huge success. It is a privilege to be part of the St Theresa's community. It is unique and very special. Thank you to the children, governors, parents, The Friends, the class reps and all the staff for all your hard work. I wish you all the peace and joy of Christmas and look forward to a successful 2015!

Miss Kelly

KS2 Christmas Carol Concert

A big thank you to all the parents and extended families who came to St Philip's Church Tuesday evening to see the Junior children perform this year's Christmas carol concert. Well done to Mrs Georgiades supported by Miss Martin and the rest of the KS2 team. The concert was amazing. The children performed beautifully and their behaviour and enthusiasm was outstanding!! We had a wonderful turn out from the Governors and the staff which meant such a lot to the children. The St Theresa's family continues to be as strong as ever!

Theatre Trips

The children from Reception and the Infants went to the theatre this week to see "Emily Brown & the Thing" at Jackson Lane Theatre. We practically had the theatre to ourselves! The performance was fantastic. The children were enthralled with Emily's and Stanley's adventures. The reception children were particularly delightful. They were mesmerised by the staging and were so close to the actors performing. Some even got so carried away they joined in the play telling Emily and Stanley what to do! It was the first time on a coach for many of the children which really added to the excitement of the trip. Well done to Miss Johnson for organising a lovely experience for the children.

Thank you from the staff!

Thank you to all the parents who have approached all the staff with kind words of support following our recent Ofsted grade. Thank you to everyone who took the time to write letters of support for the school and the staff. We really appreciate your kind words, cards and gifts. We are over the shock and are determined for St Theresa's to have the Ofsted grade it deserves. Having you behind us supporting us means such a lot and spurs us on!

Dates for your diary – Please see more dates on website

Monday 5th January 2015 School Closed INSET Day

Tuesday 6th January 2015 Children back to school

Friday 9th January 2015 Yrs 3 & 4 Swimming

Monday 12th January Yr5 & 6 will start their gymnastics for this term



Achievements



Reception	Lucas - Always trying hard in his learning Sonny- For being a have a go Mo
Y1	Joline for improving her focus Charbel - For making good choices
Yr 2 Red	Calum- For being a have a go Mo Anya - For her effort and determination
Y2 Blue	Esther - For 100% effort Emanuel - For excellent effort
Y3	Chanelle - For improving her numeracy Louis L D - For being a have a go Mo
Y4	Niamh - For improving her confidence Michael For being positive & honest
Y5	Julianna - For her creativeness in art Cornelius - For 100% effort in ICT
Y6	Zander - For working extremely hard Michael - For his great effort in class

Golden Ticket Children

Children who showed exemplary behaviour this week!

Anne in Yr 2 & Alanna in Yr 5

You're our golden children for 1st week back!



Tips for a Digital Family Christmas

1. If you want to set parental controls on a device you're giving as a gift, make sure you set them up before you hand it over.
2. Decide how you're going to handle passed down tech. If you're handing down a device make sure you set it up for a younger child first.
3. If you have a child who enjoys digital art or photo editing, enlist their help to make a family holiday card together.
4. Talk to your child about setting secure passwords on any new devices or accounts to protect their personal information. Remind them not to share passwords with friends or post them anywhere online.
5. Information posted online is for life, not just for Christmas! Before anyone hits the holiday party season remind them of that fact.
6. If you're buying a device for a younger child, why not pre-load it with some apps you'd be happy with them using.
7. If you get your child a device with a built-in camera, make sure they know they need to be careful with the images they share.

Happy Christmas from Mrs O'Brien

Attendance

Year 4 had perfect attendance this week, with **97%** attendance!

Well done to the children who received a certificate for 100% attendance since half term.

Keep this up for 2015!

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