

St. Theresa's Newsletter

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SPRING TERM 2015 - Friday 9th January

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year to all in our St Theresa's Primary School community. I hope you had a joyful and restful Christmas holiday. We all did and are energised and ready to start our new year! It is just as well as we have lots planned. Swimming started this week for Years 3&4. Please ensure your child attends their swimming lessons, it is an important life and safety skill. Year 3 will also be starting their dance lessons next Wednesday afternoon with dance teachers Kim and Caitlin. They will represent St Theresa's at the dance festival later this term. We have Year 5 going to Hindleap Warren this Spring Term, more details to follow. We will also be asking 30 children to represent St Theresa's at the Royal Albert Hall in a singing festival later this school year. Mrs Dowle-Yeates will be auditioning children for the 30 places in the choir later this month. We'll give out further details nearer the time. French lessons will continue with our French Teaching Assistant Laura and the new curriculum continues to be as creative and even more challenging for our children. We look forward to a happy and successful 2015 at St Theresa's!

Miss Kelly ☺

Sports this term

Please keep checking the Sports Notice Board and look out for our sports fliers and letters as there's lots happening again this term. The gymnastic letters went out this week for Reception to Yr 2. There will be a Multi Sports After School Club on Tuesday for all year groups and Quicksticks Hockey for Years 5 & 6 after school on Thursday.

The boys' football team have played 2 matches already this week and the girl's football team have a match next week. Year 3 will also start their dance lessons next week in preparation for the Dance Festival in March.

Please encourage your child to take up these fantastic sports opportunities led by Mr Sweetingham and Mr Rock

Poster Competition Brighter Barnet

Well done to all the children who entered the Brighter Barnet Competition last term. The children were presented with their prizes at assembly today. Congratulations to **Giorgia** and to **Amber** who were the school winners! We have lots of experts in our school who know how to keep safe and be seen when out and about!

Reminders - Attendance As you know holidays are not authorised during term time.

Unfortunately I have had to issue penalty notices this month to families who have taken their child/children out of school as explained in previous newsletters. I would also like parents to be aware that a record is kept by the school of children who are absent the day before or the day after the holiday breaks. This week I have received letters to say that the child/children were sick, however where this is happening more than once, as shown in the register, I am required to issue parents with penalty notices for these specific days. The notice will be cancelled if the parent can give details of their flight information to prove that they were in the country or sufficient medical information. Many thanks for your cooperation and your efforts to work with us to ensure the attendance figures at St Theresa's are good.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 15th January - Education Welfare Officer in School

Monday 26th January - Hope Foundation Talk Assembly - 9 am

Wednesday 28th January - Infant Movie Night

Thursday 29th January - Junior Movie Night

Wednesday 4th February - Year 5 to see Hairspray Production @ St Michael's School - More details to follow

Monday 9th March - Barnet Dance Festival - Year 3

Dates for assemblies, masses and parent consultations will be on the calendar and newsletter next week. Watch this space!!



Achievements



Rec	Stella For consistently challenging herself. Sonny For being such a good role model in behaviour & learning.
Yr 1	Sean Outstanding participation & effort in all lessons Celine Excellent descriptive writing about her Christmas Holidays.
Y2 Red	Maryia For consistently putting 100% into her learning. Zarah For her effort & enthusiasm during guided reading.
Yr 2 Blue	Juliette For a fantastic, descriptive piece of writing about visiting the stable to see Jesus. Andrew For making great progress with his writing.
Y3	Adam Brilliant participation in class discussion. Lucas L-D Fantastic knowledge about other countries.
Y4	Annabel Fantastic use of personification. Dino For excellent revision of Place Value
Y5	Dominik Always demonstrating outstanding behaviour. Amelia Always demonstrating outstanding behaviour.
Y6	Massimo For consistently showing excellent learning behaviours. David Great attitude to learning & improved behaviour.

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

Well done to St Andrews who won the most house points this week!

GOLDEN TICKETS:

Andrea Yr 2 Blue

Hanna Yr 1

Well done to the St Theresa's Boys Football Team

Congratulations to the Football Team who beat Our Lady of Lourdes 4-1 this week. They were absolutely fantastic. They looked great too, thanks to all the donations we received from parents including the Buxton Family and All for Sports who have sponsored our team kits this year. Well done to their manager Mr Sweetingham – onwards and upwards for St Theresa's!



Attendance

Year 2 Red had the best attendance this week, with 100% attendance! FANTASTIC! 95% of children in the school came to school every day this week. Well done.

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