

St. Theresa's Newsletter

St. Theresa's
Catholic Primary School



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SUMMER TERM 2017 – Friday 14th July 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

We can't believe it is nearly the end of the school year already!

We have been extremely busy over the last few weeks, starting with the Summer Fair. It really was a momentous day. The weather was just right, the food, the drink, activities and stalls were all in abundance. The total amount raised was an incredible £5,472.48!!! We heard that this was the highest total that St Theresa's have raised over the years. A massive thank you to all the parents, carers, staff, governors, friends and family who helped make this an enjoyable day. We would especially like to thank Mrs Burns and all the Friends who worked tirelessly to ensure this day a real success.

Last week we celebrated the end of our Jubilee year with a picnic in the playground and watched every class perform a dance routine to a song from 1950-2010s. It was such joyful occasion that brought the whole school community together. Thank you to all the families and governors who came and supported this day. We hope you all enjoyed the day and had the opportunity to help us celebrate the children's learning around the school afterwards.

This week we had the Year 6 production 'The Amazing Adventures of Superstan!' This really was a fantastic production full of wonderful jokes and fabulous acting, singing and dancing. The children are a real credit to their parents and the staff that have worked with them over the years. Thank you to Mr Troy, Miss Higgins and Mrs Rossi for preparing them to entertain us all with the production.

It was lovely to welcome the Reception children of 2017-2018 to St Theresa's this week and they spent time in their new classroom. Thank you to the current Reception children who were kind and friendly to all who came.

Today the children took part in Sports Day. More details of this exciting event to follow in next week's newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs O'Melia and Mr Troy

Staff Leavers

This year we bid a sad farewell to the members of staff who are leaving St Theresa's for pastures new.

We say goodbye to **Miss Reilly** who will be continuing her career at St Catherine's in September. We will miss her very much and thank her for touching the lives of so many children throughout her years at St Theresa's.

We also say goodbye to **Miss Gurevitz** who will be heading back to America to start married life as Mrs Robinson. We wish her the best of luck in her new adventure and thank her for all her hard work and commitment during her time at St Theresa's and for helping us grow in our spiritual journey as the RE leader.

Mrs Solari is also embarking on a new adventure as she leaves St Theresa's after 7 years! Her humour, compassion and dedication to the school will be sorely missed and we wish her all the best in her new job.

Finally our meal time supervisor **Hannah** is leaving us to start a new job as a Teaching Assistant. She has always ensured the children in her care are safe and happy and we know she will be a huge success in her new role!

Classes for 2017-2018

Year 6 - Miss Jackson

Year 5 Blue - Mr Troy and Miss Higgins *

Year 5 Red - Mrs Dias

Year 4 - Miss O'Brien

Year 3 - Miss Shatiry

Year 2 - Miss Johnson

Year 1 - Miss McKinlay

Reception - Mrs Descusera

On Monday, the children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and spend some time with them in their new classrooms.

**Despite extensive efforts the applicants for the Year 5 post have not met the high standards of teaching and learning that we have at St Theresa's. Therefore, we have not been able to appoint a class teacher for Year 5 Blue in time for September. Mr Troy and Miss Higgins will take initial responsibility for the teaching of this class as we hope to secure a permanent member of staff during the Autumn*

Early Finish at End of the Term

The school will be finishing at **1.00pm on Thursday, 20th July**. ALL children will need to be collected by their parents or carers at 1.00pm. If an adult other than the parent is collecting your child you will need to inform the school office. Independent travellers are required to bring in written permission to walk home at 1.00pm by **Wednesday, 19th July**.

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

Yr 6 Leavers Mass Monday 17th July 9:15 am
Yr 6 Leavers Disco Monday 17th July 5pm - 6:30 pm
Yr 6 Bowling Tuesday 18th July 2 pm
Reception Graduation 18th July 2:45 pm
Yr 6 Leavers Assembly Thursday 20th July 9:15 am
Thursday 20th July - school finishes at 1 o'clock

E-Safety- Information for Parents

The app SnapChat that is used regularly by many children and young people, launched a new feature called SnapMaps.

Please note that SnapMaps allows users to see the location of their contacts. This feature allows others to accurately pinpoint where you are. There are three possible privacy settings:

- Ghost mode, where only you can see your position;
- My Friends mode, where any contact can see your location; and
- Select Friends mode, just those who you choose can see you

ChildNet have posted a thorough explanation of SnapMaps and how to ensure users stay safe. Well worth a read to share with anyone you know who uses the app.

Please click the link for further information:
<http://www.childnet.com/blog/introducing-snap-maps-the-new-location-sharing-feature-in-snapchat>



Well done to all our children who continue to have wonderful 'Have a go Mo' attitude in all they do.

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Attendance this week



Reception	98%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	99%
Year 3	93%
Year 4 Blue	97%
Year 4 Red	92%
Year 5	93%
Year 6	99%
Total Attendance	96%

Well done to Reception, Yr 1, 2 and Yr 6 who had the best attendance this week.

Lemon Jelly Dance Troupe WOW the O2!

We are extremely proud of the children who attend our after school club 'Lemon Jelly'. They were lucky enough to have had the opportunity to represent St Theresa's and perform at the O2! They wowed their audience with their fantastic routine and excellent dancing. Thank you to Harriet from the Lemon Jelly team for preparing them. Well done children you were AMAZING!



Dear God,
Guide us as we try to follow you, so that we may grow in faith and love, and share that love with all people throughout the world.

Amen.