

# NEWSLETTER

St. Theresa's  
Catholic Primary School



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18<sup>th</sup> October 2013



Dear Parents,

You are all very welcome to join us in our Harvest Celebrations next Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Reception and Infants will lead the Harvest Festival at 9:30am and the KS2 children will lead us in worship at 11am.

Please bring in your food contributions as soon as you can so that we can donate them to Barnet Homeless and a local soup kitchen.

### **Parent Consultations for Year 1 to Year 5**

Next Tuesday and Thursday (4pm to 7pm) is an opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher to find out how your child has settled into the school year and how they are managing the work so far. These dates were given out in the first Newsletter on 6<sup>th</sup> September and have been in the diary dates in every newsletter since, so that you could make every effort to be available. The class teachers make a huge effort to accommodate all requests especially for parents with more than one child in school. However, with the best will in the world we cannot give appointments in consecutive order. Please be on time for your ten minute meeting. If you find during the consultation you need longer please make an appointment via the school office to see the teacher after half term.

**Year 6 Parent Consultations** will take place after half term. I shall keep Yr 6 parents informed of any developments once I have further information next Thursday. Many thanks for your patience in this matter.

### **Reception Consultations**

These are called Parent Planning Meetings. Mrs Decuseara and Mrs Fraser will inform you after half term when your meeting will take place.

### **Procedure**

There have been several incidents in the last couple of weeks of parents confronting other parents about the behaviour of their children. As explained in the first newsletter of the year, please do not approach either the parent or the child you believe to be at fault. We have clear systems in place for you to address your concerns. The first point of contact should be the class teacher. If you still feel the problem has not been rectified please ring the school office to make an appointment with the Deputyhead or myself. We would like all children, parents and staff to feel safe and free from confrontation whilst on the school premises.

### **Uniform, Coats & Bags**

After half term the winter uniform will be implemented. Girls will be permitted to wear navy trousers or pinafores/skirts. Summer dresses will not be permitted.

Please ensure your child has a navy winter coat. Not black or an alternative colour. This has always been the uniform policy at St Theresa's. School bags should also be navy, the school ruck sack or school book bag is encouraged. And as always please write your child's name on everything. It's heartbreaking to see new expensive items of clothing left in school that have no way of being returned to the rightful owner!

**Class Parent Representative.**

Class Parent Rep meeting will take place next Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 9am. I will contact the parents who have offered to be a rep to confirm your new role. We still need reps for the Junior Classes. Your support is always appreciated.

**Cinema Trips**

The children in KS2 will be walking to the cinema at Finchley Lido next Monday to watch "The Great and Powerful Oz." This is part of National Film Week. Once the children have watched the film they will learn to write a constructive review of the film to display in school. This approach has proved to be extremely successful for Film Club which is run by Mr Sweetingham and Miss Martin. We have been informed by the Film Club Association that they have never had so many review winners from one school in such a short space of time.

The KS1 children will watch "The Croods" on Tuesday and will be writing their reviews also.

**School Family Disco**

Please come and join us at the Family Disco tonight which is a major event in the school social calendar. Bring the whole family. If you can help for an hour that would be even better! The money raised will be spent on items which will enhance the learning taking place in the school. A big thank you to the friends Committee and the parents who support us on a regular basis.

**Girls Football**

Well done to the St Theresa's Girls Football Team. They played St John's last Monday and won 2-1. Special mention goes to Maddy who scored both goals. Thank you to Miss Regan who is organizing and leading the girls' football team.

**Dates for your diary**

Harvest Festival	Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> October KS1 9:30 KS2 11am
Parent Consultation	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 4pm – 7pm
Parent Consultation	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 4pm – 7pm
Half term	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> October - Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Back to school	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November

***Look out for the Christmas dates in the diary section of the next newsletter!***

Many thanks for all your support  
this half term – enjoy the half term break.

Yours sincerely,  
Miss M. Kelly  
Headteacher

