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St. Theresa's
Catholic Primary School



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8th November 2013



Dear Parents,

It's been business as usual in St Theresa's this week. The clubs are well attended and the children have been prepared for their gymnastics sessions with Mr Rock, Miss Regan and Mr Licata. All classes have had their sports kit ready for the All For Sports coaching sessions. Navy coats and school hats have been purchased in line with our school uniform policy which has really maintained the high standards of uniform in the school. I just want to say a big thank you for making sure the children are ready and equipped for school, your support and co operation is valued by all the staff.

The Friends

The disco was a huge success and was a great opportunity for Parents to catch up with each other and meet other parents in the school. Thank you to everyone who came and supported this annual event. Thank you to all the parents who helped on stalls and in the kitchen and a special thank you to the Friends who did an amazing job as I'm sure you'll agree.

Holidays in term times

I have received several requests for holidays during term time. I'm afraid I cannot authorise these requests. Term dates are given out well in advance. Please do not be surprised when the answer is no as I have a duty to ensure the attendance is above National Expectation. The parents of children whose attendance fell below National Expectation last half term will be receiving a letter from me next week.

Protocol

Once children are handed over to their parents at the end of the school day the child is the parent's responsibility. The staff are not responsible for supervising the children's behaviour, however common sense will prevail in times of need. Please ensure you watch them if they go onto the climbing frame or attempt to wander in the car park. Your child's safety is of the utmost importance.

Bikeability Year 6

Year 6 will be taking part in their Bikeability Training next Monday to Thursday. Children will need to bring their bike and helmet to school. They will need to bring their bike to the playground on the first day for inspection. After that the bikes will be secured in the car park in front of my office. Children are asked to wear their School PE tracksuit, trainers, gloves and their navy coat which should be waterproof.

Football

The St Theresa's Football team played Frith Manor School this Wednesday. They put up a good fight and kept their cool but the match ended with a 9 – 7 score to Frith Manor. Well done for trying hard and thanks to Mr Licata for organising the team and match.

Error in Term Dates

There is an error in the term dates for this school year. Please note that the children will return to school after the Easter holidays on Tuesday 22nd April 2014 **not** Wednesday 23rd April 2014. I apologise for any inconvenience this causes. Please see accurate dates attached to this newsletter.

Governor's Fund Raising Event

The Governors will be holding a fund raising event on 23rd November at 8pm in St Philip's Church Finchley.

Jean – Marc Evans, one of our parent governors will be directing The Josquin Singers who will present a concert of Renaissance Masterpieces including Palestrina "Missa Ecce ego Joannes", Phinot "Lamentations" and motets by Josquin, Byrd, Clemens and Parsons. Please try to come to this wonderful opportunity to hear the beautiful voices of the Josquin singers.

The Governors' Fund goes towards, purchasing items which support the upkeep of St. Theresa's. It's a good cause and worth supporting. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the school office.

Remembrance Day 11th November

November is the time of the year when we wear a red poppy in memory of those who sacrificed their lives for us during wars.

The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month marks the signing of the Armistice, 11th November 1918, to signal the end of World War One.

Remembrance Day is a special day set aside to remember all those men and women who were killed during the two World Wars and other conflicts. At one time the day was known as Armistice Day and was renamed Remembrance Day after the

[Second World War.](#)

On Monday the school will fall silent to remember all those who have died in conflicts. Thank you to those who have bought a poppy to remember those who have died and to support the British Legion.

Dates for your diary

Bikeability Year 6

Josquin Singers

Infant Nativity– ***Parents Welcome***

Reception Nativity– ***Parents Welcome***

Junior Carol Concert- ***Parents Welcome***

Recep & Infant Theatre Trip

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day Assembly – ***Parents Welcome***

Christmas Party Day

Many thanks for all your support!

11th – 14th Nov

Sat 23rd Nov 8pm St Philips

Wed 4th Dec 9:30am

Fri 6th Dec 9:30am

Tues 10th Dec 7pm in Church

Mon 16th Dec

Tues 17th Dec

Wed 18th Dec

Wed 18th Dec 9:30

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Yours sincerely,

Miss M. Kelly
Headteacher