

# St. Theresa's Newsletter

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SPRING TERM 2017 – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Happy New Year! I hope you all had a restful Christmas and wish you every blessing for 2018.**

It was wonderful to see the children back at school and hear them talking about their lovely holidays.

This week we said a warm welcome to three new members to our school community. Lakshay Yr 1, Govind Yr 2 and Nyat Yr 4. They have settled in very well and we wish them and their families much happiness at St Theresa's.

The children had an exciting day on Wednesday start with a performance of Aladdin. They enjoyed joining in with the songs and following the comical adventures of Aladdin and Princess Jasmine. In the afternoon all of the children had the chance to meet a British Olympic athlete Marilyn Okoro. She spoke about her training and the competition element of her sport. She was an excellent role model and taught us all how to be resilient, keep working hard towards our goals and never give up on our dreams. Thank you to Mr Troy for organising the assembly.

During the Christmas holidays we had a new entry system installed. It is different to our previous one. You now have to press the buzzer and wait for the office staff to answer. Once they have pressed the door release there is a short delay before you are able to open the door on the left. Please do not pull the door immediately as it will not open and may damage the system. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Wishing you all a nice weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs O'Melia

CONGRATULATIONS!

**Congratulations to the beautiful bride, Miss Gurevitz, who got married, during the Christmas holiday, in Hawaii. We wish her and Mr John Robinson a lifetime of love and happiness.**



## St Theresa's Building Fund

The voluntary Building Fund contribution of £60 per child and £100 per family for this academic year is due.

Your contribution goes towards the 10% cost we are obliged to pay for developing and maintaining our school buildings. Please keep your payments coming in, so far **59** families out of **234** have contributed to this vital fund and we have received **£4,900** out of a possible **£12,500** many thanks to the families that have already made their contribution.

## Message from Miss Johnson

Many thanks to the parents who returned slips to confirm that they would like to be Parent Readers.

If your DBS has now been completed, please see the office to select a convenient time slot to come in and hear readers each week. Please note that you will not be assigned to your own child's class. You will need to bring your DBS documents when you sign up.

I look forward to working with you!



## Reminders!

**Attendance:** Holidays during term time result in penalty notices given. The EWO issues penalty notices to parents who take their children on holiday during term time. Penalty notices are not issued by the school but by Barnet Local Authority. We are legally obliged to share the registers with the Education Welfare Officer who makes a point of checking absences before and after school breaks, as well as persistent once a week absences.

**Safety:** To ensure the safety of all adults and children, please ask your child to alight from their scooter or bike at the entrance gate to the school premises.

**Jewellery:** For health and safety reasons, we ask that the only items of jewellery worn are stud earrings and watches.

**Hair Accessories:** For the safety and comfort of your child whilst learning, we ask that hair is neat and tidy and tied back if it is long enough to do so. Hair accessories should only be a black, brown, red or blue plain band. Large hair accessories are not permitted.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Year 2 Class Assembly - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
 Gilwell Park meeting for Year 5 –Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 3pm in the school hall  
 Year 1 Class Assembly - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018  
 Safer Internet Awareness Day- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
**HALF TERM- 12<sup>th</sup> February- 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018**  
 Year 5 Red Class Assembly – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018  
 Year 5 Blue Class Assembly –Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Achievements**

<b>Rec</b>	<b>Olivia D</b> - For her excellent counting and rocket design. <b>Valentina</b> - For making excellent choices this week.
<b>Yr 1</b>	<b>Lakshay</b> - For settling into his new class and making so many new friends. Well done! <b>Reika</b> - For working very hard and completing tasks quickly and neatly.
<b>Yr 2</b>	<b>Alicia</b> - For a fantastic effort in all her learning this week - Keep it up! <b>Isabel</b> - For fantastic ideas in our writing about Traction Man. <b>Govind</b> - For settling in so well to our school and 'having a go' at all the activities.
<b>Yr 3</b>	<b>Joanna</b> - For being a 'Have a go Mo' during our learning about the 'Sone Age Boy'. <b>Maya M</b> - For always settling quietly and quickly during independent activities and participating well in class discussions.
<b>Yr 4</b>	<b>Year 4</b> - For settling back really well into classroom routines after the Christmas holiday.
<b>Yr 5 Red</b>	<b>Scott</b> - For his enthusiasm and determination in all activities. <b>Jayden</b> - For an excellent character description in English.
<b>Yr 5 Blue</b>	<b>Alec</b> - For multiple reasons! Including your fantastic written work this week and your inquisitive mind. <b>Niamh</b> - For displaying a more focused and mature attitude during lessons.
<b>Yr 6</b>	<b>Jayden</b> - For displaying a commitment to his home learning. <b>Adi</b> - For his enthusiastic participation in our new topic Tomorrow's World.

**Golden Children this week are.**  
**Maya M Yr 3 and Zuzanna Yr 2**

**Headteacher's Award**  
**Gwenn – Year 6**

For always being a polite and well-mannered pupil.

**St Patrick's won the most House points this week.**

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

**Attendance this week**



Reception	97%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	96%
Year 5 Red	97%
Year 5 Blue	91%
Year 6	97%
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>96%</b>

*Well done to Years 1 and 2 who had the best attendance this week.*

**NEW YEAR PRAYER:**

Thank You Lord for giving me  
 The brand new year ahead.  
 Help me live the way I should  
 As each new day I tread.  
 Give me gentle wisdom  
 That I might help a friend,  
 Give me strength and courage  
 So a shoulder I might lend.  
 The year ahead is empty,  
 Help me fill it with good things  
 Each new day filled with joy  
 And happiness it brings.  
 Amen.

**Class Parent Representative Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 at 2.45pm.  
 We look forward to seeing one representative from each class there.  
 Thank you!

**KEEP IN TOUCH:**

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