

# St. Theresa's Newsletter

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AUTUMN TERM 2018 – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have reignited our learning culture by having a 'Growth Mindset Week'. It was great to see everyone using their learning muscles in class and challenging themselves in their learning.

Well done to our Year 6 children who took part in the indoor Barnet Athletics event at Queen Elizabeth Girls School this week. They did us all very proud and were true 'Have a go Mo's'. Thank you to all the adults who accompanied the children.

A HUGE congratulations to Samuel in Year 6B who won the 'Primary Young Male Performer of the Year' award at the Barnet Partnership Sports Award in the Arts Depot on Wednesday night. Please see the last page of the newsletter that illustrates why Samuel won this prestigious award.

Finally, the School Council met Mrs Arrowsmith on Thursday to discuss 'Anti-Bullying Week.' They talked about how we can respect one another and remembered God's greatest commandment of 'Love one another as I have loved you.' The school councillors then went back to their class and spoke about this year's theme 'Choose Respect'.

We hope you have a lovely weekend. Don't forget to it is 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday!

God bless,

Mrs O'Melia and Mr Troy

## Anti-Bullying Week



Anti-Bullying Week runs from 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> November 2018. The theme for Anti-Bullying Week is 'We choose respect'. The children will be attending an assembly and participating in a range of activities throughout the week including 'Odd Sock Day on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November. On this day children can bring a donation of £1 which supports the work of the Anti-Bullying Alliance.



## Safety

Please do not allow your children to scoot or ride down the pathway leading to the playground; we wish to minimise the chance of any accidents occurring!

Also, please ensure that you do not give out snacks or treats to children at any part of the school day. There are a number of children that have food allergies and we want to encourage children to be healthy.

**Reminders!** - Holidays in term time will not be permitted. Please ensure your child is present the last day of the term and the first day of a new term. These are checked by the Educational Welfare Officer. Punctuality is checked too! The gates open at 8:30am and the school day starts at 8:50am. Thank you! Please remember that medical, dental and optician's appointments, should whenever possible, be arranged outside of school hours. If this is not possible, please ensure your child is at school in time for registration, both in the morning and after lunch. This means that your child must be in school until 9.30am in the morning and must not leave school before 2pm in the afternoon. If your child is not at school for registration then it will be recorded as an absence on your child's attendance record. Thank you for your support.



BBC  
Children  
in Need



FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Next Friday we will be raising money for Children in Need. We would like your child to come to school in spots or bright clothes. We are asking for a donation of £1 so that we can raise money for this worthwhile charity.



Reception	Albert - For using his letters and sounds to write independently. Olivia M - For taking a lead role in play and teaching writing and reading skills to her friends.
Yr 1	Evie - For always being so helpful in the classroom. Erin - For always being so helpful in the classroom.
Yr 2	Leon - For showing great presentation in his books. Genevieve - For staying focused and working really hard this week.
Yr 3	Darcy - For a fantastic effort in all her learning. Klaudia - For good progress in her Maths learning.
Yr 4	To be announced on Monday's assembly.
Yr 5	Hugo - For showing perseverance when dividing in Mathematics. Well done! Nyat - For your brilliant and well written biography on Williams Shakespeare.
Yr 6 Blue	Hugo - For finding ways to make his planning more effective. Ronan - For his valuable discussion ideas in English this week.
Yr 6 Red	Ben - For taking pride and care with in English, especially with his sentence structures. Madan - For taking his time with his Literacy learning and making sure it is the best of his ability. Well done!

**Golden Children** this week are.

Jeremiah Year 2 and Noah Year 3

\*\*\*\*\* **SAVE THE DATE** \*\*\*\*\*

The School Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 24th November 12pm – 3 pm.

### Class Representatives

We are in the process of compiling the Class Representative list. Please could each class rep for this academic year submit their name to the school office no later than Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The first meeting will be held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00am.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Odd Socks Day  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Y4 Assembly  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5 Tudor Workshop  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Own Clothes Day- Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fair

## Attendance and Punctuality this week



	Absence	Late
Reception	98%	0
Year 1	98%	3
Year 2	99%	2
Year 3	97%	2
Year 4	97%	0
Year 5	97%	2
Year 6 Blue	97%	3
Year 6 Red	98%	0
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>98%</b>	

*Well done to Reception, Years 1, 2 and 6 Red for your excellent attendance this week!*

*Well done to Reception, Years 4 and 6 Red for coming to school on time!*

***Our attendance target for this term is 97%***

In Flanders Fields  
John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from falling hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.



# Congratulations

Samuel was nominated earlier this year for the young male performer who had made the most significant contributions to PE and sport in his school and his community.

Samuel has represented St Theresa's Catholic Primary School's football team since he was in Year 4. He proved that he was an invaluable asset during that football season and also when he played at Finchley Catholic High School's Summer Fair tournament that same year. The tournament was aimed at children in Year 6 and Samuel was still only in Year 4!

During last year's, Year 5 football tournament, Samuel helped the St Theresa's Catholic Primary School's football team go through to the semi-final (unknown territory for our school in recent years) and was consistently 'Man of the Match' within in all our league games.

When Samuel was in Year 5 he had another incredible year representing the school in a variety of sports across the Barnet including winning many events during the Small Schools Sporting Tournament at Allianz Park. He came first in the sprint section of the tournament for the third year in a row, first in the field event for the second year in a row and during the final leg of the relay race he completely out ran every other team to help his team, the Year 5 boys, win their event. Samuel also managed to finish third at the first Cross Country Meet last year despite falling over and spending a good deal of time on the floor!

Samuel has also represented the school at Tag Rugby events and shown that his pace and strength can be applied to a wide variety of sporting activities.

Samuel is truly talented in sport and this was recognised by Watford F.C. who Samuel now plays for. He plays in the age group above his own and has been extremely successful at the club to date.

Samuel has also become a star 400m runner for his athletics club that he attends regularly.

Despite all of these great achievements, Samuel is very humble and an inspiration to his peers. He always shows excellent determination and no matter what challenge he faces on the pitch or during a cross country meet, he plays every sport with a smile on his face. He always shows real sportsmanship to those around him. When he could probably have had the opportunity to win games on his own he has sought out to pass to his team mates. He always encourages others as he values their ability and skills.

Samuel spends lots of his break times playing football with the younger children and has become very much a role model and icon who they look up to.

Samuel's mother always attends his sporting events, sometimes his elder sister comes too. It is evident from their positive approach of encouragement, not only to him, but to his team mates and opposition players that shows us all how sportsmanship can be conducted.

We are all very proud of Samuel and wish him the very best in his sporting career.

