

# St. Theresa's Newsletter

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AUTUMN TERM TERM 2019 – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October



Thank you to Mr Troy, Mrs Katin and Year 2 for leading a very reflective assembly. They focussed on the qualities of what makes a good leader. The children spoke about how Moses led the Hebrews to freedom. The children read and sang beautifully and shared the significance of how we can help one another overcome obstacles in our lives.



The St Theresa's Cross Country Team had their first meet at Copthall Playing Fields this week. The children had a fantastic day and left feeling extremely motivated to improve in their individual performances for the next meet in February. The children worked brilliantly as a team. Their individual scores were added to a team total which will go towards our total points over three different cross country meets.

Well done all!



Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Reception Curriculum Meeting yesterday. It was a very informative meeting where Mrs Decuseara spoke about how well the children have settled in and what they will be learning this year. If you were unable to attend the meeting please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.



This morning Years 1 and 2 attended Mass at St Phillips Church. Thank you to Father John for celebrating the Mass and allowing us to visit. The children enjoyed the experience of going to Church. Thank you to the staff and parents who helped walk the children to the church.

## Uniform Sale

Thank you for your donations for the second hand uniform sale. The sale will take place next week (Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October).

**Friends of St Theresa's**

## Reminders

**Meetings:** At St Theresa's, we are always happy to arrange meetings with parents when you have a matter you wish to discuss.

In the first instance, please make an appointment to meet the class teacher, as they are best placed to know the details about your child and any issue that may have arisen. If, after this meeting, you then wish to take the matter further, please ask the office to arrange a meeting with Mr Troy. For SEND matters please make an appointment to see Mrs Arrowsmith. If you still have any outstanding issues after this meeting, a meeting can be arranged with Mrs O'Melia.

Following the above procedures will ensure that your concerns are dealt with as promptly and efficiently as possible. Thank you.

**Whatsapp:** Please can we ask that should you have any grievances about the school, please contact Mr Troy or Mrs O'Melia who will be able to assist you. We kindly ask that you do not use social media as a platform for this. Thank you.

**Safety:** Please ensure you drop off your child safely in the morning. Some children have been seen walking into school unsupervised. Breakfast Club is from 7.45am and children need to be escorted by an adult to the school office. The playground access gate is opened at 8.30am and children and parents can access the school playground during this time. Children should never be dropped at school before 8.30am to wait on their own outside the main school gate or on the pathway leading to the playground gate. Only Year 6 children are permitted to walk to and from school on their own. We want to ensure the children feel safe at all times. Thank you for your understanding.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### **-SAVE THE DATE-**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October Parent Consultations**

**4pm – 6.30pm**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October- CAFOD assembly. Children**

**to come to school dressed in bright clothes**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October Parent Consultations**

**4pm – 6.30pm**

Yr 1	<b>Haroon</b> – For showing increasing confidence in his writing by adding more details to his sentences. <b>Nia</b> – For showing a great understanding in our Maths this week, in particular in numbers.
Yr 2	<b>Evie</b> – For her excellent work in Mathematics. Keep it up! <b>Rafael</b> – For always giving 100% in all lessons. What a Star!
Yr 3	<b>Genevieve</b> – For her excellent effort with her learning and for her amazing Bonnie and Clyde comic strip. <b>Lucas</b> – For producing an amazing comic strip about Bonnie and Clyde.
Yr 4	<b>Michal</b> – For his excellent vocabulary and handwriting in his soliloquy. <b>Evie</b> – For her commitment to his learning, especially in Maths and writing this week.
Yr 5	<b>Maja</b> – For the politeness and kindness she show's to everyone. <b>Lily</b> – For her great attitude to her learning and the confidence she displays in class.
Yr 6	<b>James</b> – For an excellent persuasive letter this week. <b>Hayley</b> – For her excellent effort when working on percentages in class.

## **Attendance and Punctuality this week**



	Absence	Late
Year 1	99%	0
Year 2	95%	0
Year 3	99%	0
Year 4	99%	0
Year 5	99%	2
Year 6	92%	1

*Well done to Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 for your excellent attendance this week!*

*Well done to Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 for coming to school on time!*



**We will be celebrating our Cafod Harvest assembly on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October.****

**Please send your harvest donations in by**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October.**

**We ask for non-perishable, long life items only please.**

All food will be donated to charities and soup kitchens around Barnet.

### Items for donation could include:

**Tinned Foods:** Soup, baked beans, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, rice pudding, tinned custard, spaghetti hoops, tinned tuna, salmon or mackerel, tinned pasta.

**Dry Foods:** Pasta, rice, cereals, lentils, Super Noodles, Pot Noodles, Cup-a-Soup.

**Snack Foods:** Biscuits, crackers, rice cakes, cereal bars.

**Personal Items:** Toothpaste, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, socks, flannels.

**All items should be sent to your child's classroom**  
**Many thanks for your generosity.**



**Lucas Year 1 and Idris Year 5**



**St Patrick's won the most house points**

### Vomiting and Diarrhoea



Please remember that it is school policy that children must not return to school until 48 hours after the LAST bout of vomiting and diarrhoea. This is in accordance with advice on the NHS website.

There are two key reasons for this: stomach bugs spread extremely easily and, when children return to school too soon, they are risking infecting other children and staff. In addition, it usually takes this long for children to have recovered sufficiently to be able to cope with a full day at school.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### **Safeguarding**

Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Theresa's Catholic Primary School is everyone's responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. If you have concerns regarding Safeguarding please contact the school office. Our school designated Safeguarding Officers are: **Mrs O'Melia (Headteacher) Mr Troy (Deputy Head) and Mrs Arrowsmith (SENCo)**