

St. Theresa's Newsletter





We learn together, we play together, we pray together, we grow together in the love of God



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AUTUMN TERM 2020 Friday 11th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now welcomed back most of our pupils and it has been a delight seeing them all.

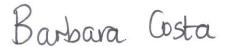
Can I please remind parents and carers to make their way into the car park when dropping off and picking up their children. The car park is not currently being used by the staff specifically for this reason and by using the space, it will avoid groups of parents gathering outside the school gate. If the car park begins to feel crowded, please queue along the wall on East End Road. Please practise social distancing –it will help us all keep safe.

This year, due to the coronavirus pandemic, the class teachers will be setting homework via the Seesaw app. This is to ensure we do not have unnecessary paper going backwards and forwards between home and school. All children will need their log-in details, please ensure you have these; if you have misplaced them or are new to the school and have not yet been provided with them, please contact the school office. More details regarding homework will be issued next week.

On Friday 25th September, the pupils at St. Theresa's will be involved in the Macmillan Coffee morning. Macmillan's goal is to make sure no one faces cancer alone. They provide medical, emotional, practical and financial support, as well as campaigning for better cancer care. Unfortunately, this year we are not able to invite parents to the traditional coffee morning due to the social distancing restrictions. However, the school will be providing cake and squash for the children - for a donation of £1 - to enjoy in their classrooms!

On Sunday, it is Roald Dahl Day and so, on Monday, the children will be celebrating their favourite Roald Dahl characters and stories. We hope to be able to frame some of the children's art work from the day and display it around the school.

Have a lovely weekend.





School Lunches

If you wish to switch from school dinners to packed lunch (or vice versa), please contact the office and give at least two week's notice. Thank you.

Pencil Cases



As part of the school's COVID-19 safety procedures we are asking all the children to bring in their own pencil cases/pencils etc. to help us reduce the sharing of equipment. We would be very grateful if parents could ensure their child has one to use in class. We will, of course, provide equipment for any children who are unable to bring their own pencil cases to school.

Symptoms of Covid-19

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus they will need to get a test as soon as possible.

Main symptoms:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste

They will need to stay at home until the test result is received. Everyone in the household and support bubble will also need to stay at home until the test results are received.



Year 1	All of Year 1 – For settling back into
	our school routine straight away and
	having a great attitude to learning.
Year 2	Albert – For his accurate maths work
	and neat handwriting.
	Lucas - For working diligently
	throughout the week, being
	respectful and being kind to others.
Year 3	Olivia – For making a great start with
	her writing this week.
	Rafael – For making a good start to
	Year 3 by showing great enthusiasm
	in class.
Year 4	Imina – For her fantastic work ethic
	and attentiveness in class.
	Mia – For an incredible start in Year
	4.
Year 5	Year 5 – For "a fantastic first week
	back! You've all been brilliant. Keep it
	up!"
	Chimdi – For "the excellent effort and
	perseverance she has shown this
	week!"
Year 6	All of Year 6 – For their enthusiasm
	and hard work this week.
	Dwayne – For settling into Year 6 so
	well.

After School Clubs - COVID-19

The school is currently liaising with some of the after school clubs that normally run straight after school for an hour. The clubs will provide parents with their risk assessments when distributing their registration forms; in this way parents will be able to make an informed decision as to whether they would like their child to attend any of the clubs.

A Prayer for our School

This is our school,

A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued.

Let our school be place of great discovery, adventure and creativity.

Help us to learn, play, pray and grow together in the love of God.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love.

Amen

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Information

Last week, all Year 6 parents should have received an email from the school office with information regarding the process of applying for a secondary school place for your Year 6 child.

Due to COVID-19 it is possible that the scheduled open evenings will not go ahead and therefore parents are strongly advised to check school websites before attending any events.

The online application system is now open at www.eadmissions.org.uk

All parents must apply online. If you need support please feel free to contact the school for support, or call the School Admissions Customer Services Team on 020 8359 7651.

Parents of children in Y6 who have an Educational Health Care Plan will need to complete a different form – this will be sent to you by the Barnet SEN team.

Many schools have delayed their selection test dates due to COVID-19, which means you may not get the results of tests until after 31st October. Where a test result might affect the outcome of an application, parents will be able to change their preferences up until 10th December.

Dates for your diary

Mon 14th Sept Roald Dahl Day

Fri 25th Sept Macmillan Coffee Morning

Mon 26th – Fri 30th Oct Half term

Mon 2nd Nov Staff INSET – school closed for children

Fri 18th Dec Last day of Autumn term - 1pm finish

Mon 4th Jan Staff INSET – school closed for children

Tues 5th Jan Children back at school

New dates added in bold