



**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 20<sup>th</sup> November

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who have already responded to the school COVID-19 survey. The more responses we have, the more accurate the results will be and therefore if you have not already completed the questionnaire, please spend a few minutes answering the questions; the survey will close on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

You can access the survey by following this link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1D9emf4wl2dNAXcbJfq4nx3EjOTrtOTthuQiDvovldU/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1D9emf4wl2dNAXcbJfq4nx3EjOTrtOTthuQiDvovldU/viewform?edit_requested=true)

A reminder to all parents that as part of the school's safeguarding procedures, we ask all parents to contact the school as soon as possible on the first day of their child's absence. A phone call will be made – by the office staff - to the parent of any child who has not reported their absence on the first day that they do not attend school. If the parent does not answer, the next emergency contact will be called. The office staff will record the reason for the absence and the parent/carer spoken to. If after a phone call to the next emergency contact, the school still does not know the reason for the absence, after a discussion with either myself or Mr Troy, the school may inform the police. This procedure is to ensure the school knows the whereabouts of every child.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December we will be having the Friends of St. Theresa's *Movie Night* for the children; more details regarding the event (i.e. ticket prices etc.) from the Friends will be coming out to parents soon. Due to the COVID restrictions, the children will be staying to watch the films in their own classrooms with their class teachers. The afternoon will run from 3pm – 4.30pm approx. If your child is not attending the event, you will need to collect your child at the normal dismissal time in the usual way. We hope that many parents are able to support the Friends and that we have a large number of children staying for *Movie Night* – this is usually a very popular and enjoyable event.

A reminder that next Thursday (26<sup>th</sup> November) at 7pm, we will be holding a zoom meeting for all Year 4 parents to discuss the national Y4 multiplication check in June 2021. Parents will be given information about how the Y4 pupils will be tested and how you can support them at home. Zoom details will be sent out nearer the time.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

## Safeguarding Update

Please find attached to this week's newsletter the latest poster giving advice and information on domestic abuse support organisations.

## Anti-Bullying Week: United Against Bullying

This week the school participated in Anti-Bullying Week.

On Monday, the children wore odd socks to school to symbolise our differences and highlight that we are all unique.

On Tuesday, the children talked about "What is bullying?"

***Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological and it can happen face-to-face or online.***

On Wednesday the children talked about *choosing kindness*.

On Thursday, the children were encouraged to think about what they could individually do against bullying.

Today the children will be considering the actions they can take for combating bullying in the class.

If you would like further information about Anti-Bullying Week, please visit <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>



## Staying Safe Reminder for Pupils

As the nights are drawing in, can we please remind everyone of the need to be more alert and follow the staying safe and stranger danger rules.

### 8 ways to be safe while walking to school

- When crossing roads, look both ways and use zebra crossings.
- Never assume drivers can see you. Be alert and make eye contact with the driver.
- Look left, right and left again before crossing the street.
- Eyes up, phones down.
- Walk on pavements or paths.
- Cross with an adult.
- Be a good role model.
- Be visible.

### Stranger danger

- Never stop to talk to anyone on the way to school or going home from school.
- Ignore any drivers who might slow down to speak to you.
- Never accept a ride from anyone that is not expected to take you home.
- Always tell a trusted adult if something has happened that upsets you or makes you feel uncomfortable.



Reception	<b>Mia</b> – For her enthusiasm in learning and writing sentences independently. <b>Ted</b> – For being such a positive role model in behaviour and learning.
Year 1	<b>Callum</b> – For being Star of the Week! <b>Shervin</b> - For being Star of the Week!
Year 2	<b>Dori</b> – For improving his behaviour and for always being kind and helping others. <b>Kourtney</b> – For amazing handwriting and working hard in her learning.
Year 3	<b>Christina</b> – For her well written, detailed biography on Lennox Lewis. <b>Brandan</b> – For persevering in mathematics while working on Addition and Subtraction.
Year 4	<b>Joshua</b> – For his brilliant have-a-go attitude in class. <b>Nathan</b> – For persevering in his learning this week.
Year 5	<b>Jago</b> – For persevering with division this week. Well done! <b>Olivia</b> – For being helpful and kind to other children in class. Well done!
Year 6	<b>Luisa</b> – For improvements in your confidence. <b>Maja C</b> – For organising your writing so well in English.
<i>The Golden Ticket Winners are Theo Yr 1 and Amy Yr 6</i>	

### Little Saints After School Club

**Where?** St Theresa's School (multi-purpose room)  
**When?** Every day after school until 6pm  
**How much?** £10 per session offer (offer ends December)

To book a place please contact *Little Saints* with the following details: Child's name, class, your name, telephone number, any allergies or intolerances.

Payments with code "LS child's name" to Mrs V Avraam, Natwest, Account No: 64134520, Sort code: 51 50 00  
email: vicky\_avraam@hotmail.co.uk telephone: 07968 498 364

### Applications for Reception and Nursery

Applications are invited for the **Reception Class** for **September 2021** – this is for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017.

The deadline to return this to the school office is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The forms are available to download on the school website.

Please also be advised that you must also complete a CAF (Common Application Form) from Barnet - the on-line system is already open.

Please contact the office or visit the school website for an application pack.

### 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

Your child 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.

### Remember 'Hands. Face. Space.'

**Hands:** Wash your hands regularly and for 20 seconds

**Face:** Wear a face covering in indoor settings where social distancing may be difficult, and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet

**Space:** Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place (such as wearing face coverings or increasing ventilation indoors)

### Dates for your diary

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Nov Flu immunisation (going ahead as planned)

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 7pm Y4 Parents Meeting Multiplication Check (via Zoom)

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec Friends of St. Theresa's Movie Night**

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec School Christmas Lunch**

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec "Save the Children" Christmas Jumper Day**

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Dec Class Christmas Party day**

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec Last day of Autumn term - 1pm finish

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Jan Staff INSET – school closed for children

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Jan Children back at school

**New dates added in bold**

# Are you worried about domestic or sexual abuse?

If you are at home due to Coronavirus, then remember you can still get the support that you need. You are **NOT** alone.


- If you are in immediate danger, then call the police on **999**
- **Silent Help** – if you need help but are unable to speak, then **ring 999, when they answer press 55.**  
(This alerts the operator and the police will be sent to help you)
- You can call the **National Domestic Abuse Helpline** for free, confidential support 24 hours a day on **0808 2000 247**
- **Solace** provides free and confidential support for women and men in Barnet affected by domestic abuse.  
Call **0203 874 5003** or  
email **barnet.advocacy@solacewomensaid.org**

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