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SPRING TERM 2021

Friday 23rd April

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to everyone and I hope you all enjoyed the holiday.

Next Friday (30th April) is a staff training day and therefore the school will be closed to the pupils. This date has been on the school website since the dates were given out to parents last year but has not been in the newsletter – apologies for this.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the "Walk for Water" CAFOD Lent appeal; we will let you know how much money was raised in next week's newsletter.

Message from Mr Troy:

Reading Challenge

This week all our children from Y1 - 6 have been given their very own reading challenge for the Summer Term. We have had a fantastic first week and there have already been lots of tickets given out to all the children who have completed some of the challenges. A ticket will be picked out of a hat on the last day of half term and the winner will win a £20 Amazon voucher. Thank you to all the parents who have donated books on the Amazon wish list for each class. The children have been so excited seeing all the new books coming into class! If you would like to donate please look on your class Seesaw page for the Amazon wish list for your class. We are currently devising a list for Reception so that they can join in with us all.

Cycle to School Week

Next week is the Big Pedal. A 5 day challenge to see how many of our children can cycle, walk, scoot or roller-skate to school. We will be recording which class participates the most; there will be a prize for the winning class and a few prizes chosen at random with the help of the "Golden Lock". The Golden Lock is exactly that, a golden padlock which will be placed (randomly) every day on one of the pupils' bikes or scooters; if your child finds the padlock on their bike/scooter at home time, please come to the office to collect a prize!

Have a lovely weekend,

Barbara Costa

The Gospel in Church - Sunday 25th April

"This Sunday is traditionally known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. Jesus is the good shepherd who can be trusted to guide our lives in the right direction.

Part of a shepherd's job is to look after the sheep, guide them and help them to stay safe. In Sunday's Gospel (John 10:11-18) Jesus encourages his disciples to put their trust in him; it is through trusting in Jesus that they will find security and hope.

There can be many things that trouble our hearts, but following and trusting in Jesus leads us on life's right and joyful path, freeing us from fears and worries."

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/trust?pid=MTA101634&v=24.5>
The Wednesday Word

First Holy Communion at St Philip's

A new course for First Holy Communion in Finchley Church End parish is expected to start in the autumn term. Parents of children who are currently in Year 2 or Year 3, and who live in the parish, are invited to express their interest by completing an application form. Forms are available at the church, or may be downloaded from the parish microsite at parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleychurchend/news/sacraments. They should be completed and returned by the end of May.

Winners of the Decorating Easter Eggs Competition

Congratulations to:

Mia Rec

Max Y1

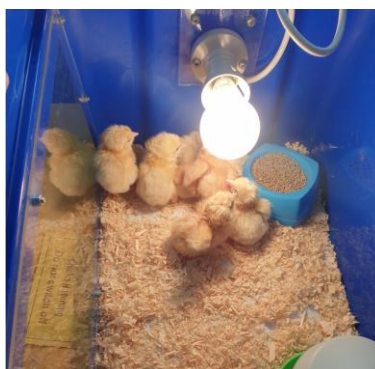
Kourtney Y2

Erin Y3

Nea Y4

Margaret Y5

Jessie Y6



The hatching of the chicks in Reception has caused great excitement amongst the children – and staff.



Rec	Melody for completing her first of learning at St. Theresa's. David for showing a great interest in looking after the class chicks and their life cycle.
Year 1	Gabriella for working so hard in her maths learning and being able to recall numbers 1-20 with great confidence. Masih for showing great enthusiasm in learning his phonics and applying them to his writing.
Year 2	Chisom for her determination and good manners. Victoria for participating during lessons and never giving up.
Year 3	Shirley for making a fantastic start and settling in week in her first week at St. Theresa's. Summer for applying focus and concentration in class and producing some great work.
Year 4	Genevieve for her brilliant use of idioms in her writing. Julia for her determination to improve her number bonds.
Year 5	Chimdi for her fantastic behaviour and her great listening skills. Dominykas for the excellent effort he is making in class. Well done!
Year 6	Marcel for being an excellent talk partner this week. Luisa for putting 100% effort into everything she does.

The Golden Ticket Winners are:
Callum Y1
Jago Y5

Little Saints After School Club

Where? St Theresa's School (multi-purpose room)
When? Every day after school until 6pm
Please contact Vicky for further information.
email: vicky_avraam@hotmail.co.uk
telephone: 07968 498 364

2021-2022 School Holiday Dates

The 2020-2021 school holiday dates can be found on the school website:
<https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/St.-Therasas-Term-Dates-for-2021-2022.pdf>

Asymptomatic Testing for Parents and adults in households with Children at School

Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles. Here are the different ways for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test:

- Through your employer if they offer testing to employees.
 - Contact your employer to find out more.
- At a local test site.
 - To find your nearest test site visit <https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>.
- By collecting a home test kit from a test site.
 - You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests.
 - Anyone 18 or over can collect.
 - Most collection points are open from 1.30pm to 7pm. You can check online if the location is open or busy before you go. You do not need to make an appointment.
 - Do not visit a collection point outside opening hours, as it may be used to test people with coronavirus symptoms outside these times.
 - To find your nearest home test kit collection point visit <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/findatestcenter.html>
- By ordering a home test kit online.
 - If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online.
 - Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.
 - To order rapid lateral flow home test kits visit <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Dates for your diary

Week of 26th April Big pedal week

Friday 30th April Staff INSET day (school closed to the children)

Mon 19th April Start of the summer term

Mon 3rd May Bank Holiday

Wed 26th May Y6 Trip to Lee Valley

Mon 31st May – Fri 4th June Half term

Fri 16th July Y6 Trip to Chessington World of Adventures

Thurs 22nd July Last day of Summer Term

Thurs 2nd Sept First day of term for existing pupils

***New dates in bold**