St.Theresa's Catholic Primary School

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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Friday 7th May

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to the Reception class for winning last week's "Big Pedal"!

Thank you to everybody for supporting today's NSPCC Number Day, we will let you know how much money we raise in next week's newsletter.

Could we please remind **all** parents to consider our community's safety at drop off and pick up times. No parent should be driving into the school car park to drop off their child in the mornings; the car park is for pedestrian access only at drop off and pick up times. We are using this space as a result of the COVID-19 social distancing regulations in order for the children and their families to wait safely. Some of our parents are also parking on the white zig-zags outside the school; drivers must not park or overtake in this area, as parking would block the view for pedestrians and oncoming traffic. If you do park on the white zig-zags, you are risking a fine and penalty points.

The school recognises that dogs are an important part of family life for many in the school community, and as such are often included in day-to-day activities such as walking children to and from school. However, others may (and do) find the presence of dogs in the school car park and grounds stressful, even frightening, particularly with younger children; even well-behaved dogs can behave unpredictably when placed in a busy, noisy and crowded environment. The school's priority is the safeguarding of its children and staff and therefore dogs will no longer be allowed onto the school premises, including the car park, unless the dog is being used as an aid to visual impairment or disability.

If your child displays symptoms of COVID-19 (a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to their sense of smell and taste) you must book a PCR test. You can book a PCR test online here: https://self-referral.test-for-

coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/essential-worker
Your child, and the rest of the household must selfisolate immediately and not leave home. If their test
result comes back negative, everyone can resume their
normal day-to-day activities. If the test result is positive,
they need to self-isolate for 10 days and so does
everyone else in the household. Please do not use the
rapid lateral flow tests for people with COVID-19
symptoms; the lateral flow tests are for testing people
without symptoms.

Have a lovely weekend.

The Gospel in Church - Sunday 9th May As the father has loved me, so I have loved you

"God is love and all love comes form God. When we invite Jesus, as a loving friend, into our family life then love grows and life becomes more joyful.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus entrusts his friends, the disciples, with his message of unconditional love, and asks them to carry it to the whole world – not just in

their words but also in their actions.

Love is life's greatest blessing and Jesus' message is for us too. By loving as Jesus loves, we too become his friends and we experience the harmony and peace which comes from following his command – to love. Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thought about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is LOVE"

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/love?pid=MTA101634&v=26.7
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

https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleychurchend/news/sacraments. They should be completed and returned by the end of May.

St. Theresa's School on BBC2 Thursday 13th May 9pm

"Saved by a Stranger" is a four-part series, hosted by Anita Rani, which tells several stories of ordinary people caught up in big recent historical events. Each survivor is looking for someone whose special kindness changed their lives forever.

At 9pm on BBC2, on Thursday 13th May, follow Darryl whose story brings him (and the camera crew) to St. Theresa's!!

Please visit our website where you will find our weekly newsletter, diary dates, curriculum information and lots more! https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/



Rec	Ted for his concentration and effort in
	Maths.
	Radek for always setting such a good
	example in his learning and behavior.
Year 1	Helios for working so hard on doubling
	and halving in Maths this week.
	Laura for showing great confidence in
	reading unknown words and being able to
	sound them out.
Year 2	Joelle for concentrating during lessons
	and constantly striving to improve her
	work.
	Francesco for his interesting and well
	written diary entry and for working so
	hard.
Year 3	Lily For challenging herself in maths
	activities. Well done!
	Hayden For working hard and showing
	improvement in Fractions. Amazing effort.
	Well done!
Year 4	Zoe For her determination to not stop
	with her Mile A Day.
	Sofia For her willingness to keep
	improving in her numeracy this week.
Year 5	Lily for the fantastic progress you are
	making in reading. Miss Georgious is very
	proud of you.
	Connor for being a great role model,
	being kind, respectful and always try his
<u> </u>	best.,well done.
Year 6	Stella for excellent use of description in
	her Mayan myth this week.
	Idris for putting 100 percent effort into all
	of his learning this week.

The Golden Ticket Winners are: Evan Y1 Euan V4

Walk this way!

"Walking builds bones and muscles, and helps kids grow up big and strong. It also improves stamina, reduces stress, and boosts the immune system for 24 hours. It can even lower blood pressure.

Any brisk walk of 10 minutes or more counts, so get outside and start having some fun. Dogs know how important it is to have a daily walk — just follow their lead!"

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/activities/sports-andactivities/walking

Ordering COVID-19 rapid lateral flow tests

Everyone is now able to order free packs of rapid lateral flow tests. A pack of tests contains 7 tests. You can order one pack per household each day.

Lateral tests are for people who are not showing symptoms of COVID-19.

You can order rapid lateral flow tests if:

- you do not have coronavirus symptoms
- you're 11 or older
- you have not been told to self-isolate
- you cannot get tests from your work, school, college or university (ask them for rapid lateral flow tests)

Where can you order the tests?

From https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/order-lateralflow-kits/condition

Other ways to get rapid lateral flow tests

You might be able to:

- collect tests from a test site
- collect tests from a pharmacy
- get a test at a site

If you're collecting tests, you can collect 2 packs at a time (14 tests in total).

To find your nearest test collection point, please visit https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/

You are advised to do a test twice a week.

Primary school-age children and younger do not need to test.

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

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School Uniform update

The school uniform page on the website has been updated to include shorts and the school white polo shirt (with crest) for the girls for the summer, as an alternative to the summer dress.



Dates for your diary

Thurs 13th May 9.30am Zoom Ascension Day Mass (for children and staff only)

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