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**SUMMER TERM 2021**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everybody who has already taken the time to complete the online parent questionnaire. The questionnaire is really important as it gives the school, the parents' views. If you have not already done so, please take the time to answer the questions, it should not take more than 10 minutes and the more responses we get, the more accurate the results will be. The link will stay live until next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 3pm.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1\\_qUE8X0Gk-a6x3oegK2bqo5CX-YX7OjHBhL-PxrtZf0/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1_qUE8X0Gk-a6x3oegK2bqo5CX-YX7OjHBhL-PxrtZf0/edit)

In the next couple of weeks, Pantelis Hapeshis (who visited the school in the Autumn term to take photos for the school website) will be returning to St. Theresa's to video the children during the school day, for a short promotional film for the school website. The school already holds a list of names of pupils whose parents do not wish for them to be filmed; if there are any others, please let me know as soon as possible.

This is the Year of St Joseph and the Catholic Children's Society (CCS) have made it the theme for their summer fundraising appeal. The CCS helps children, young people and their families of all faiths and none across London, Hertfordshire and the South-East. The CCS 'Journey with Joseph' has been inspired by the long trip Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem. To participate in the fundraising, can the children take part in the *Captain Tom 100 challenge*? It can be anything your child likes – from walking 100 metres, baking 100 cakes, writing 100 letters, 100 kick-ups, scoring 100 goals, or even flipping 100 pancakes! The children can be sponsored for completing their challenge and a CCS sponsorship form has been attached to the newsletter. If your child decides to participate, they will need to have completed their challenge and collected the sponsorship money by 9<sup>th</sup> July. Do put photos on Seesaw so we can see what challenges the children are doing – good luck!

A reminder that at 7pm on Thursday we will be holding a Zoom meeting for all the current Reception parents. This meeting will give you information about your child's transition into Year 1 in September. Please make the effort to attend this meeting as routines, procedures, curriculum content and the learning environment in Y1 are very different to the provision in Reception. Your child's time in the EYFS is coming to an end and it is important for you to understand how different the teaching and learning in Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) will be. A zoom invite will be emailed to all the Reception parents, next week.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

## News from the Friends of St. Theresa's

### Summer BBQ Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

Please save the date - **\*\*Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2-5pm\*\*** - the **Summer BBQ & Fair is back!**

We are planning our first school event in over a year and can't wait to bring the St Theresa's families and community together again. There will be delicious food – a Polish BBQ + burgers and hotdogs - as well as lots of family fun with a bouncy castle & slide, stalls and games organised by Non-Stop Action.

Can you volunteer some of your time to support the event? We need volunteers for the food & bar, stalls and activities.

Please let us know, if you can spare an hour or so of your time and be part of a fantastic get together!

Email: [friendsofsttheresa@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofsttheresa@gmail.com) or contact your class rep for more details.

## The Gospel in Church – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June

*"The Kingdom of God is there, hidden in the holiness of daily life."* Pope Francis

What is Jesus teaching about in this Sunday's Gospel? In this Sunday's Gospel, to explain God's kingdom, Jesus uses images drawn from the fields around him. This Gospel reminds us that Jesus came to establish a kingdom – God's kingdom of love. God loves all people equally and invites everyone to share in his kingdom. Ask your child what the words 'God's kingdom' mean to them. We can see God's kingdom in the person of Jesus and demonstrated through the loving actions of others. Ask your child who brings peace, joy, love, happiness, kindness or understanding into their lives (you might like to give your child an example of your own).

*"It is in the human heart that the Kingdom takes root and grows."* Pope Francis

Within our families, and everywhere we go, we can help to reveal God's kingdom through everyday acts of kindness, sharing the love and peace which Jesus brought as he went teaching around the countryside. Each of you choose one way in which you can help reveal the kingdom of God to others this week. Perhaps you can: share more; support a child, family or project at school where help is needed. Why not get involved with a charity that helps the poorest in the world (e.g. visit [Cafod.org.uk](http://Cafod.org.uk) or [Missiontogether.org.uk](http://Missiontogether.org.uk))?

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/holiday?pid=MTA101634&p=7&v=30.11>

The Wednesday Word



Rec	<b>Ariya</b> for settling in so well into our class. <b>Taybah</b> for the great effort that she puts in into our creative area.
Year 1	<b>Amber</b> for trying really hard to settle into Y1 and learning how to adapt to her new school. <b>Arthur</b> for making a great effort in learning and remembering his sounds.
Year 2	<b>Annaliese</b> for her commitment to her learning and for her impeccable manners. <b>Lucas</b> for enjoying his learning and always having a go.
Year 3	<b>Evie</b> for great improvement in her handwriting and presentation. <b>Gabriella</b> for fantastic non-chronological report on the Stone Age.
Year 4	<b>Imina</b> for her wonderful knowledge of time, especially using "to" and "past". <b>Joshua</b> for his progression in his spellings this year!
Year 5	<b>Jordan</b> for settling in so well and trying his best. <b>Olivia</b> for her great understanding of prime numbers and prime factors. Well done.
Year 6	<b>Maja K</b> for her mature attitude to her learning. <b>Dwayne</b> for his kind and caring attitude to his classmates.
<i>The Golden Ticket Winners are <b>Mamie Y5 and Michal Y5</b></i>	

### Dogs on School Premises

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.

### 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

### 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-lateral-flow-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.

### Could you foster?

Nexus Fostering is a well-established and highly regarded fostering agency, based in Harrow, who are urgently seeking full-time & respite foster carers throughout the area. The agency is rated Ofsted 'Outstanding' in all areas & place a high premium on the quality of support & care that they provide to every one of the foster carers &, in turn, the children and young people placed with them.

To find out more about becoming a foster carer or a respite carer in London & surrounding areas please call 0800 389 0143 or email [foster@nexusfostering.co.uk](mailto:foster@nexusfostering.co.uk).

### Dates for your diary

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> June 7pm Reception to Y1 transition meeting for Reception parents (Zoom)

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2pm-5pm Summer BBQ

**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> July Taster day at Bishop Douglass for Y5 pupils (more details to follow)**

**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> July Sports Day (TBC more details to follow)**

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> July Leavers' Mass (TBC more details to follow)**

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Trip to Chessington World of Adventures

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> July Last day of Summer Term

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept First day of term for existing pupils

**\*New dates in bold**

