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SPRING TERM 2023

Friday 24th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everybody for supporting Red Nose Day last week; we raised **£143**.

A reminder to all children that the deadline for the Friends' Egg Decorating Competition is on Monday; each winner will be given a prize.

The second hand uniform sale will take place next Monday (26th) and Tuesday (27th) March after school. Buying items of uniform at the 2nd hand sale is very cost effective and I hope many of you will be able to take advantage of the low prices.

Last week, next year's term dates were emailed to all parents and carers. If you did not receive them, you can find them on the school website here:

<https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/St.Theresas-Term-Dates-for-2023-2024.pdf>

On Thursday evening (30th March) at 6pm, the Year 3 and 4 pupils will be retelling the Easter Story for parents; you are all very welcome to come and watch.

A reminder to all parents that next Friday (31st March) is the last day of the Spring term and school will close at 1pm; the children will have lunch at school as normal. There will be a Reception Easter Chocolate sale after school on that day. School re-opens for the children on Monday 17th April.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

Message from BACE Holidays

Barnet. Active. Creative. Engaging. Holidays!

We are pleased to announce Barnet is launching the Holiday Activity and Food Programme this Easter. Venue: **NLBP (Primary), Oakleigh Road South, N11 1NP**. We are super excited to give your children the opportunity to attend our HAF Programme through the Easter Holiday period. I have attached the booking link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe98FtISPK3JltQ9A_of7eQxg7wTwkGMHLPI05kALuyk5kIpA/viewform

This offer is only for pupils who are entitled to free school meals.

Please see the flyer attached to the end of the newsletter.

Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)
Lenten Appeal Boxes

A reminder to please return all the CAFOD Lenten appeal boxes by Friday 31st March.

Message from the Friends of St. Theresa's

SECOND HAND UNIFORM: sale of second hand uniform is next week on Monday and Tuesday 27 & 28 March at pick up. Thank you to everyone who brought in their child's outgrown uniform. Please make sure that you bring change (50p & £1) with you.
EGG DECORATING COMPETITION: deadline is Monday (27 March) when judging will take place. There will be a winner chosen from every class.
BUNNY HOP SPONSORSHIP MONEY: please remember to bring your sponsorship money into school as soon as possible.

Mid Morning Snacks



A reminder to parents that children may only have fresh fruit as a mid-morning snack. No other snack will be permitted.

St. Theresa's School Attendance Policy

Illnesses that will prevent your child from coming to school

- Vomiting and diarrhoea (your child can return to school 48 hours after the last episode)
- High temperature with a diagnosed infection
- Hospital admission
- Dental surgery
- Medical emergency

Illnesses that will not prevent your child from coming to school

- Mild cough
- Cold/Sneezes
- Tiredness

Authorised and Unauthorised Absences

Examples of authorised absences

- Proof of illness from GP/Hospital provided
- Phone call from parent / carer explaining that their child is ill
- Proof of medical appointment
- Permission given from Headteacher following a written request for exceptional leave of absence (i.e. Religious days etc.). All requests for exceptional leave of absence must be made in writing to the Headteacher. Request forms are available from the school office.

Examples of unauthorised absences

- Holidays
- Days out
- Birthdays
- Parent / carer or sibling unwell
- Tiredness
- No reasonable explanation received from parent / carer

Could parents/carers please ensure that any absence is reported to the school office by 9am.

St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for

2022-2023 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 5/9/22 - now	94.8%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y4 is still in the lead with 95.6% attendance and Y5 is in second place!

At the end of the year, in July 2023, the class with the highest record of attendance will win a non-school uniform day!

Easter Camp 2023!

Non-Stop Action are looking forward to **Easter Camp 2023!** We are running **Multi Sports** at Moss Hall Junior School (N3 1NR) and **Football** and **Dance** at Millbrook Park School (NW7 1JF).

We will be running for 2 weeks, week 1 from **Monday 3rd April – Thursday 6th April** and week 2 from **Tuesday 11th April – Friday 14th April**. Bookings made before Saturday 18th March will automatically get our Early Bird discount, and you can also save money by booking week blocks – book from as little as **£27.50** for a day or **£109** for a week!

Head to our website to book now:

<https://www.nonstopaction.co.uk/>

The Wednesday Word

“Blessed are the compassionate.” St Chromatius (of Aquileia)

Ask your child what the word ‘compassion’ means to them. Who is the most compassionate person they know, who really listens when they have a problem? Ask them if they can remember a time when someone showed them care and compassion - what did they do? To be compassionate is to share someone’s suffering – to feel sorrow for their situation and to do something about it. It may help your child if you can talk about a person whom you know to be compassionate.

“What we say and how we say it ought to express God’s compassion and tenderness for all.” Pope Francis

Jesus knew that Martha and Mary were sad and he did what he could to help them. People saw this and started to believe in Jesus. Today we can show people how good Jesus is and help others to believe in him by the way we live. Ask your child if they can remember when they last felt sorry for someone and helped them. As a family, ask yourselves, “Is there anyone who needs our compassion and our help at this time? What could we do?”

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/compassion?pid=MTA101634&cv=88.1>

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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Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs daily from 7.45am - 8.30am in the school hall for £3.50. Please let the school office know if you would like your child to attend. **Please ensure you pay for breakfast club charges in advance of your child attending, or on the morning.**

Safeguarding at St. Theresa’s

Miss Costa is the Designated Safeguarding Lead at the school; Mr Troy and Mrs Folan are members of the safeguarding team. However, safeguarding and child protection at St. Theresa’s is everyone’s responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. Click the link to read the school’s Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy: <https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Child-Protection-and-Safeguarding-Policy-September-2022.pdf>



Reception	Anduena for being such a kind friend to everyone in our class. Gloria for settling in so well into her new class and school.
Year 1	Scarlett for working hard in all of her lessons. Liana for trying hard in her literacy lessons.
Year 2	Melody S for never giving up and showing fantastic perseverance with each piece of work. Lucille for a fantastic attitude towards all of her learning.
Year 3	Nikola for working so hard and always smiling. Frank for working really hard in all his subjects.
Year 4	Kezie for performing really well during gymnastics and making the right choices. Joelle for consistently getting her times-tables correct and helping others with theirs too.
Year 5	David for concentrating hard on his work and always participating in class discussions and presenting ideas clearly. Gaby for displaying a positive and responsible attitude towards his learning. Gaby is working hard and pushing himself.
Year 6	David for becoming more independent in your learning. Mia for using wonderful adjectives to describe Jesus – well done.
<i>The Golden Ticket Winners are:</i> Timmy Y6 Annaliese Y4	

Dates for your diary

Mon 27th March Second hand uniform sale after school

Tues 28th March Second hand uniform sale after school

Thurs 30th March Reception hearing and vision check

Thurs 30th March 6pm Y3 and Y4 Easter Play

Fri 31st March Last day of term 1pm finish

Fri 31st March 1pm Reception Easter Chocolate sale

Mon 3rd-Fri 14th April Easter Holiday

Mon 17th April First day of summer term

Wed 26th April 3.45pm Online Safety Meeting for parents

Mon 1st May Bank Holiday Monday (school closed)

Wed 3rd May Planetarium Workshop (new date)

Mon 8th May Bank Holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III (school closed)

Mon 8th May Year 6 SATs week

Mon 15th – Fri 19th May Year 6 Residential Trip

Thurs 18th May 9.15am Ascension Thursday Mass

Mon 22nd May 3.45pm Secondary transfer meeting for Y5 parents

Mon 29th May-Fri 2nd June inclusive – Half term

New dates in bold

**All parents welcome*

HAF Programmes

Offered during Easter Holidays.

We offer various activities, including **Sports, Arts & Crafts, IT, Nutrition and Parent Engagement.**

Venue: **NLBP (Primary), Oakleigh Road South, N11 1NP**

Date: **Tuesday, 11th April - Friday, 14th April**

Time: **10 am - 2:30 pm**

Ages: **5 - 12**

Contact and more information:

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