



**We learn together, we play together, we pray together,
we grow together in the love of God**

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SUMMER TERM 2023

Friday 5th May

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday, the children had the rescheduled Wonderdome Mobile Planetarium show. All children were lucky enough to experience looking at a projection of the night sky on the inside of the dome whilst listening to some magical stories dating back to the times of Ancient Greek mythology.

When you receive this newsletter, the children should be enjoying our Coronation celebrations. They will be (or soon will be) having their picnic lunch followed by an ice-cream from the ice-cream van this afternoon. Unfortunately, due to the weather forecast, we decided to postpone the bouncy castle until we were sure of dry weather; we will let you know when this has been rearranged. A huge thanks to the Friends who have paid for these treats for the children; it is very much appreciated.

The Friends have been very successful in their fund-raising efforts and I am delighted to say that they have raised enough funds to purchase a new class set of iPads for the school. This will make a huge difference to the children and the quality of apps they will be able to access. The children will be hopefully able to use the new iPads after the May half-term.

On Monday 22nd May 3.45pm in the school hall, we will be holding our secondary transfer meeting for the current Year 5 parents (Y4 parents are also welcome to attend). Parents will be given important information regarding the application process to secondary schools for the current Year 5 children. Please be aware that some of the deadlines for applications to sit entrance exams, or aptitude tests, are approaching; this information has already been sent out to all the Year 5 parents.

We wish all the Year 6 pupils the best of luck for their end of Key Stage 2 tests next week. Please make sure your Y6 child goes to bed early and comes into school on time every day to ensure they are in school for the start of the tests.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all the children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks; we hope you all have a wonderful day!

A reminder to all parents that Monday is another Bank Holiday and therefore the school will be closed. We will see you on Tuesday.

Have a lovely Coronation Bank Holiday weekend.

Barbara Costa

Message from the Friends of St. Theresa's

NEW FRIENDS COMMITTEE WANTED

The current Friends Committee is stepping down from the end of this academic year and the school is now looking for a new committee to takeover. If you are interested in getting involved, please speak to the current committee, Miss Costa or the office.

SUMMER FAIR & BBQ - WINKWORTH ADVERTISING BOARDS

The preparations for the summer fair and BBQ have already begun and next week you will be receiving information on how you can raise money for St Theresa's by agreeing to have an estate agent board place on your property to promote the school's fair. For each board that we have up, Winkworths will pay us £6. We will need a minimum of 25 boards! Please ask family, friends and neighbours if they would be willing to help advertise and raise money for our school.

SUMMER FAIR & BBQ

Each class will be in charge of manning a stall. Your class representative will be coordinating cover for the stall. One of the stalls that we will be having is a pre-loved Cuddly Toy Tombola so we will be asking your children and you to bring in the pre-loved/no longer needed cuddly toys after half term. Please remember that the cuddly toys will need to be clean!

Prayer for the King

O God, to whom every human power is subject,
Grant to your servant our sovereign Charles
Success in the exercise of his high office,
So that, always revering you and striving to please you,
He may constantly secure and preserve
For the people entrusted to his care
The freedom that comes from civil peace.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.
Amen



St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for 2022-2023 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 5/9/22 - now	94.78%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y5 is in the lead with 95.9% attendance and Y4 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!

The Wednesday Word

"Those who trust in God can do all things." *St Alphonsus Liguori*
Ask your child what the word 'trust' means to them. Knowing who to trust is really important. A friend who can be trusted is a gift from God! Who does your child really trust and why do they trust them? Ask your child if they can think of a time when they were trusted. Perhaps you can tell your child about those people in your life whom you trust the most, and say why you trust them.
"Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love and the future to God's care." *St Augustine of Hippo*

Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life and he asks us to place our trust in him. Each of you say how, in the days ahead, you can show your trust in God. Perhaps, rather than worry, pray and offer any concerns to Jesus. How can we show God, and others, that we are people who they can trust? Perhaps we can always try to: tell the truth; choose to do the right thing; be generous with our God-given gifts of time, talent and money; keep our promises.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/trust?pid=MTA101634&tp=2&v=91.4>

Polio and MMR routine vaccinations for children aged 1 to 11

Polio and MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccinations both provide important protection against serious illness for your child. To keep your child safe, it is important to follow the childhood immunisation vaccination schedule.

Children aged 1-11 who are not up to date with their vaccinations are being offered polio and MMR catch-up vaccinations in school or at their registered GP surgeries. The NHS will be contacting the parents of children who are not fully vaccinated to sign a consent form for school-based vaccination.

Check your child's red book or contact your GP to check your child's vaccine status. If your child has missed one of their vaccinations, please contact your GP to book an appointment and get your child up to date.

Read more about routine vaccinations:

<https://bit.ly/vaccination-tips-for-parents>

Barnet Specialist Inclusion Service

(Autism, Physical Support/ Complex Needs, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Vision and Inclusion Advisory Teams)

Secondary School Virtual Transition Morning

Learn about ways to support your child in transitioning from Primary to Secondary School and what to expect from schools. Hear from some of the professionals involved with your children. This is a virtual morning for:

Parents/Carers of Year 5/6 children with Additional Needs, with or without an EHCP, transferring to a mainstream Secondary School in Autumn 2023 or 2024.

Places are free but you must register by email at

inclusion.transition@barnet.gov.uk

Date: 11th May 2023

Time: 10am -1.30pm

May Camp 2023! Non Stop Action are looking forward to **May 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 1 week, from **Tuesday 30th May - Friday 2nd June**. Bookings made before **Saturday 13th May** will automatically get our Early Bird discounts, and you can also save money by booking week blocks - book from as little as **£27.50** for a day, or **£99** for a week!
Head to our website to book now:
<https://www.nonstopaction.co.uk/>



Reception	Zema for writing some amazing facts about caterpillars. Oseias for learning the names of 3D shapes.
Year 1	Lili for trying really hard to improve her writing. Gabi for working really hard on his diary entry this week.
Year 2	Melody S for impeccable attitude to learning. Keep it up! Radek for beautiful behavior and striving for excellence.
Year 3	Evan for working well independently. Gabriella for listening well and always focusing in class.
Year 4	Pania for working so well on learning her times tables with accuracy and speed. Rachel for learning her times-tables efficiently and achieving 25 out of 25.
Year 5	Ola for being a conscientious and helpful member of our class. Ola is a fantastic role model and works really hard. Erin for demonstrating a diligent work ethic. Erin is eager to learn and embrace challenges. Well done.
Year 6	Elena for the excellent effort you put into your learning. Well done. Tomas for your great problem solving in maths. Well done.

The Golden Ticket Winners are:

Evie (y5)

Masih (y3)

Dates for your diary

Mon 8 th May	Bank Holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III (school closed)
Mon 8 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Tues 9 th May	Year 2 Trip to Stephen's House
Thurs 11th May	Reception Hearing and Vision recall screening
Thurs 11th May	Year 1 Trip to Stephen's House
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th May	Year 6 Residential Trip
Thurs 18 th May	9.15am Ascension Thursday Mass
Mon 22 nd May	Y4 trip to National Maritime Museum
Mon 22 nd May	3.45pm Secondary transfer meeting for Y5 parents
Mon 29 th May-Fri 2 nd June inclusive	– Half term
Mon 5 th June	Inset Day – school closed to children
Thurs 8 th June	2.30pm St. Theresa's Feast Day Mass
Fri 9th June	"Bring-a-Bottle" Non-School Uniform Day
Thurs 15 th June	3.45pm Reception to Y1 transition meeting for Reception parents
Wed 21 st June	2pm New Reception Parent meeting
Sat 24 th June	Summer fair and BBQ 2pm-4.30pm

New dates in bold

**All parents welcome*



The Coronation of King Charles III

The coronation of King Charles III will take place in Westminster Abbey. This will be the first coronation for 70 years in our countries; indeed, the first since our late Queen, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, entered the ancient church as a young woman to take on the awesome responsibilities of monarchy. In his first address to our countries after the death of the Queen, His Majesty stated, in the context of the late Queen's unwavering service, "that promise of lifelong service I renew to you all today."

None of us can imagine the incredible burden that His Majesty will assume as he is crowned King alongside his wife and Queen, Camilla. The world has immeasurably changed since 1953 with many more opportunities and challenges in the lives of all.

As faithful citizens of our countries, we now pray for our King as he assumes the fullness of the high office of monarch. From Wednesday 3rd May until Friday 5th May, the Bishops of England and Wales ask each Catholic in our lands to pray for His Majesty and the Queen. We can do this in our daily prayer asking Almighty God to guide the King in his appointed tasks. We can also pray for him when we gather for prayer at Mass. This triduum of prayer will culminate on Friday evening when we have asked each Catholic community to offer a special Mass for the King before the Coronation on Saturday. It will be the culminating moment of our three days of prayer when we ask God's continuing blessing on our new King and Queen.

As we look towards the Coronation Day, which will be marked with joy and celebration across England and Wales, and the Commonwealth, let us commend King Charles and Queen Camilla to our Heavenly Father, that he may sustain them in their duties all the days of their lives.

With every good wish and prayer,

Cardinal Vincent Nichols

President

Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales