



**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 16th June

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who supported "This is Us" day earlier this week. It really was wonderful to see the children wear their traditional clothes, or flag colours, with such pride. Please do look at the school's Instagram account to see photos from the day. Thank you to Miss Gulab for organising the event.

Thank you to the current Reception Class parents who attended yesterday's meeting about the transition from Reception to Year 1 – we hope you found it useful.

Next week is Art Week at St. Theresa's and the children will be participating in a variety of activities. The children in Y3/4/5/6 will be going to Bishop Douglass for Art lessons and our infant children are having an art workshop at St. Theresa's delivered by sixth form Art students from Bishop Douglass. We also have parents coming in to help with activities next week. Thank you to our volunteers who are supporting the event next week, and in particular to Mrs Katin for organising Art Week.

A reminder to everyone that on Saturday 24th June from 2pm-4.30pm, the Friends of St. Theresa's are holding the summer Fayre and Barbeque. The Friends (a group of volunteer parents) raise significant funds for the school and contribute enormously to the experience that all pupils have here. It is thanks to the Friends that classes have new interactive whiteboards, or the Reception children have a brand new sand pit, or that we have 30 new iPads – the list goes on. We are incredibly grateful for everything the Friends do for St. Theresa's and I hope that you will all support them on the day of the barbeque.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

School Attendance

Term Time Holiday Requests

We receive a number requests for leave of absence during school time. Please can we remind you that term time holiday requests will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances. Please ensure your child is present the last day of the term and the first day of a new term.

Education Welfare Officer (EWO)

Please note that children are expected to attend school for at least 96% of the year. Attendance is regularly checked by the EWO who may fine parents for any unauthorised absence.

Illnesses that will not prevent your child from coming to school

- Mild cough
- Cold/Sneezes
- Tiredness

Message from the Friends of St. Theresa's

CUDDLY TOY TOMBOLA: bring your pre-loved and clean cuddly toys (at drop off) until 23 June 2023. There will be a clearly marked box when you come through the main school gates by the lost property area to leave your cuddly toys.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: we need your help to make the fair a great success!!! Can you spare 30 minutes or an hour to help man a stall? Without parent/carers volunteers, this event won't be able to take place.

VA – School Building Fund

Thank you to everyone who, following the letter sent out on Friday 26th May, contributed to the building fund. Over the years, this money has contributed to the cost of various building projects – our current one being the redevelopment of the Reception outdoor area. If you have not yet made a donation, and would like to, please do so via SchoolMoney, or pop in to see the office staff. We are suggesting a donation of £60 for one child, or £100 for two or more children. However, all contributions, however big or small, are very gratefully received.

School Uniform

There are a number of pupils attending school wearing the incorrect uniform. Could I please remind all parents that the school uniform is a crucial part of our identity and is communicated to parents when children join the school. The uniform has not changed and all parents are expected to ensure their child is wearing the correct items. Parents can visit the school website for a complete uniform list (<https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/school/uniform/>). If any parents is struggling, for whatever reason, to purchase the uniform, please do speak to a member of staff and the school will try and support you in whatever way it can.

Friday after school Ice-Cream Sales

The Friday after school ice-cream sales are back – perfect for the summer months.

All money raised from the ice-cream sales will go towards the cost of the Y5 residential trip to Kent later this year in October. Please do support us!



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

Period	Whole school attendance
From 5/9/22 - now	95%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y5 is still in the lead with 96% 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

"Where Christ is, there is the kingdom of God." *St Ambrose*
God loves all people equally and invites everyone to share in his kingdom – today! 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, happiness, love, kindness or understanding into their lives (you might like to give your child an example of your own). Where and when does your child personally experience these special gifts?

"The kingdom is hidden within you; it is found in your own soul." *St Isaac of Nineveh*

We can help God's kingdom of peace and healing to grow within and around us through the little things that we do and say. Each of you choose one way in which you can help the kingdom of God to grow. Perhaps you can: be more helpful around the house; 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 or Missio.org.uk)?

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&cv=94.6>

Packed Lunch Guidelines

A reminder to all parents that St. Theresa's School is a nut free school and therefore **packed lunches must not contain any nut products; this includes Nutella**. The school requests that all parents adhere to the school packed lunch guidelines; please see below.

Packed lunches should include	Packed lunches should NOT include
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least one portion of fruit and one portion of vegetable or salad every day Meat, fish or another source of non-dairy protein, every day. Non-dairy sources of protein include lentils, kidney beans, chickpeas, hummus and falafel An oily fish, such as salmon, at least once every three weeks A starchy food, such as bread or pasta, rice, couscous, noodles, potatoes or other cereals, every day A dairy food, such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage fraise or custard every day Water, still or sparkling, fruit juice, semi-skimmed or skimmed milk, yoghurt or milk drinks and smoothies Acceptable snacks includes: seeds, vegetables and fruit (with no added salt, sugar or fat). Savoury crackers or breadsticks served with fruit, vegetables or dairy food are also a good choice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crisps Confectionery such as chocolate bars, chocolate-coated biscuits and sweets We are a nut free school – please do not send in any food containing nuts. This includes Nutella and other chocolate spreads.

You may also include:

- Cakes and biscuits are allowed but these should be part of a balanced meal
- Meat products such as sausage rolls, individual pies, corned meat and sausages / chipolatas should be included only occasionally

Birthday Treats

Please note that if it is your child's birthday, we ask that, rather than bringing in sweets or treats, a book or book token is donated to the school. Please note that the staff have been told not to hand out any birthday sweets or treats.



Reception	Radvin for using the Numicon pieces to double numbers. Riyanne for writing beautiful sentences independently.
Year 1	Kaci for really making an effort in Literacy. Marko for his positive attitude and enjoying his learning in Maths.
Year 2	Gabriela for being a wonderful partner during partner week. Maria for being an excellent role model.
Year 3	Maya for always making good choices. Helios for working hard in all subjects.
Year 4	Leona for making a great effort in joining up her handwriting. Karo for trying so hard in Maths and always trying to challenge himself.
Year 5	Miki for being a responsible and dedicated Junior travel Ambassador. Miki has worked hard to ensure his job is completed to a good standard. Brendan for being a responsible and dedicated Junior travel Ambassador. Brendan has worked hard to ensure his job has been completed to a good standard. He has also participated more in class discussions which is great to see. Lilla for being a responsible and dedicated Junior travel Ambassador. Lila has worked hard to ensure her job is completed to a good standard.
Year 6	Jan for your excellent learning attitude. You are a great role model for your peers. Davi for the fantastic progress you are making across all subjects. Very well done.
<p><i>The Golden Ticket Winners are:</i> Emily (Y2) Tye (Y3)</p>	

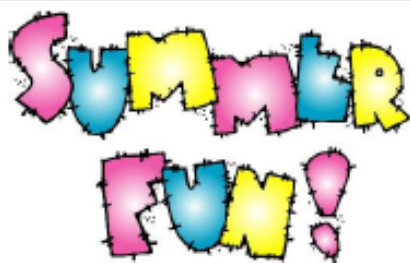
Breakfast Club runs daily from 7.45am - 8.30am in the school hall for £3.50. Please let the school office know if you would like your child to attend. **Please ensure you pay for breakfast club charges in advance of your child attending, or on the morning.**

Dates for your diary

Mon 19 th June	Art Week
Wed 21 st June	2pm New Reception Parent meeting
Sat 24 th June	2pm-4.20pm Summer fair and BBQ
Mon 26 th June	Y4 visit to Sea Life
Thurs 29 th June	*9.15am Saints Peter and Paul Mass
Thurs 29 th June	1.30-2.30pm open afternoon for new Reception starters
Thurs 6 th July	6pm Y6 Show
Wed 12th July	Sports Day (more details to follow)
Thurs 13 th July	6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass
Fri 21st July	9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Fri 21 st July	Last day of term 1pm finish
Tues 5th Sept	First day of Autumn term for Year 1 – Year 6

New dates in bold

**All parents welcome*



2023 St Theresa's Summer Fair and BBQ!

Please join us on **Saturday 24th June**
at the:

St Theresa's Summer Fair and
from:

2.00pm - 4.30pm



ENTRANCE £2 per person (Under 3s are FREE!)

There will be lots and lots of fun and games and
different stalls and activities for the whole family!

We'll also have a delicious BBQ menu and drinks
available for the whole afternoon – DON'T MISS OUT!

Please do come along and support us and bring your
friends, family and cousins along too!!

*We are looking forward to
seeing you there!*