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**SUMMER TERM 2023**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Friends' BBQ - £2400 was raised. This is wonderful and will go a long way towards the cost of the repairs to the soft surface under the climbing apparatus in the playground.

Again, I am asking for parents to think about volunteering to take over from the current Friends committee in September; the current committee are stepping down as their children move onto secondary school. Unfortunately, still no-one has come forward. Events such as the Halloween Disco, Movie Nights, Jingle Mingle are all organised by The Friends; without a Friends committee, these events will stop. The committee plays a huge role in our school community. The Friends have raised thousands of pounds over the years to support the children; they have contributed significantly to the children's experiences at school. Therefore I am urging all parents to please reconsider, and if you think you could spare some time to volunteer as a Friend, I would be very grateful if you could please let myself, or Mr Troy, know as soon as possible.

Congratulations to all the Y6 pupils for their hugely entertaining show "Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies"! It was incredibly funny, well rehearsed, cleverly staged and directed and very polished; well done children and Miss Georgious! What a way for Y6 to end their time at St. Theresa's!

In the next few days, your child is bringing home their end of year report. Should you wish to discuss the report in further detail, please make an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher.

A reminder to all parents that the children will be participating in Sports Day (at Bishop Douglass) on Wednesday. All the details regarding the event have been emailed. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 will be leaving St. Theresa's to walk to Bishop Douglass at 8.30am – please ensure your child arrives on time. The junior children's sports day is in the afternoon and they will be back in time for pick up. The children will need to come to school wearing their PE kits, caps and sun-cream – they will also need a water bottle. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

A reminder to all Year 6 parents that on Thursday evening, the Year 6 pupils will be leading the Leavers' Mass for their families. The Mass will be celebrated by Father John, at the school, at 6pm.

On Friday, at 2pm, the Reception children are inviting their families to their graduation ceremony in the school hall. The ceremony will be a celebration of everything the children have done during their first year at St. Theresa's. Have a lovely weekend.

*Barbara Costa*

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

**The Friends' Committee** is delighted to let you know that the Summer Fair and BBQ raised just over **£2,400** which is **absolutely amazing!**

Thank you again to everyone who supported the event. This money will go towards fixing the climbing frame. **THANK YOU!**

## Goodbye, thank you and good luck

It is that time of year again when we have to, sadly, say goodbye to a number of families who will be leaving our school community after some years...

The Lazarevic family	11 ½ years
The Burns family	11 years
The Dusinkiewicz family	11 years
The Espinosa family	11 years
The Kirby family	11 years
The Mac Crossan family	10 years
The Crowley family	7 years
The Gibson family	7 years
The Maglione family	7 years
The Morozova family	7 years
The Osaren family	7 years
The Golhosseini family	3 ½ years
The Gusmao family	2 ½ years
The Alushi family	1 year
The Dias Costa family	1 year
The Jafari family	1 year
The Nesterenko family	1 year
The Bello family	7 months
The Ezekwugo family	7 months
The Yuan family	6 months
The Balladares-Chan	2 months

Thank you for all your support over the years and we wish you the best of luck for the future. Goodbye also to Miss Coleman and of course Sister Jenny. God bless you all.

## St. Theresa's pupil attendance

Congratulations to **Year 5** who have the highest attendance in the school this year. They have won a non-school uniform day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

## Parent Questionnaire

Yesterday, a parent questionnaire was sent out. Please complete the questionnaire as fully as possible and return it to school by Friday 21st July. Should you wish your responses to remain anonymous you may return your questionnaire to the box labelled "Questionnaire" in the main school entrance, just outside the school office.

Should you prefer to complete the questionnaire online please visit <https://forms.gle/Qh8LHjUAQx6Vntf6>; we have also texted this link to parents.

### The Wednesday Word

Jesus wants to be our companion through life – to be there for us always, reminding us that we are loved by God.

Good companions always want the best for us. Ask your child what the word 'companion' means to them. Parents, carers, children and friends can be good companions for each other. As a family, talk about people who are good and helpful companions to you. Can you remember the last time that you were a good companion and helped or comforted someone? What did you do?

"Do you want your companions to respect you? Always think well of everyone, and be ready to help others. Do this and you will be happy." *St John Bosco*

As a family, talk about the qualities that make a good companion (e.g. trust, kindness, honesty, loyalty, etc.). Then each say one thing that you can do to be a better companion to someone at home, at work or at school. Perhaps it is by: always trying to treat your friends as you would wish to be treated; saying kind and encouraging words to your friends; supporting and giving, rather than taking; being reliable, faithful and loyal.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/companion?pid=MTA101634&v=99.3>



<b>Reception</b>	<b>Kimia</b> for taking a challenge in Maths and ordering numbers 1-50 independently. <b>Sofia</b> for being a Have-a-Go Mo in her writing and attempting to spell "fantastic" and "holographic".
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Genelle</b> for making more of an effort with all her learning. <b>Vanesa</b> for really making an effort to punctuate each sentence correctly in her literacy lessons.
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Nikolay</b> for improved attitude and confidence in learning. <b>Leonardo</b> for trying super hard with handwriting.
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Emily</b> for producing some lovely art work during Art Week. <b>Rafael</b> for working so hard with his reading and making great progress.
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Leona</b> for producing a descriptive setting about the ocean. <b>Karo</b> for making a great effort in joining up his writing neatly.
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Chiamaka</b> for displaying a positive and responsible attitude to her learning. Chiamaka is also contributing more to class discussions. <b>Krissy</b> for always working hard and pushing herself consistently. Krissy has used great vocabulary in her English learning.
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Imina</b> for consistently displaying wonderful manners and respectful behaviour. You're a great role model for others. <b>Timmy</b> for challenging yourself and striving for excellence in all areas. Very well done!
<i>The Golden Ticket Winners are:</i> <b>Nathaniel Y4</b> <b>Turhan Y1</b>	

### Staff and Classes for 2023-2024

Reception	Miss Gulab, supported by Mrs A.Coleman
Year 1	Mrs Decuseara, supported by Mrs Reeves
Year 2	Mrs Reimus, supported by Mrs Rossi and Mrs Espinosa
Year 3	Mrs Conway (new teacher), supported by Mrs Fraser
Year 4	Miss O'Brien, supported by Mrs McGrath and Miss O'Hara
Year 5	Class Teacher to be confirmed (we are currently recruiting and will let the current Y4 parents know as soon as possible), supported by Mrs Tarrant and Mrs Reeves
Year 6	Miss Georgious
Support teacher	Mrs Katin
Office Manager	Mrs Orsi
School Secretary	Mrs Tsui
Site Manager	Mr Kryst
Mealtime Supervisors	Mrs Ottery, Mrs Espenica, Mrs Jaramillo
Breakfast Club Supervisors	Mrs Espenica Mrs Jaramillo
Mr Troy, Head of School, will not be class based.	
Mrs Folan, the Inclusion Leader, will not be class based.	
Miss Porcu will be on maternity leave.	

### 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.

### 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

### Dates for your diary

Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day (please see letter emailed on Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> June)
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Class BBQ (new date)
<b>Fri 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Y5 non-school uniform day</b>
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm Reception Graduation (for Reception parents/carers)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Class picnic at Avenue House
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term 1pm finish
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	First day of Autumn term for Year 1 – Year 6
<b>Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct Half term</b>	
<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Inset Day (School closed for pupils)</b>
<b>Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Children back</b>
<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>School Photographer for individual pupil photos</b>
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Last day of term 1pm finish</b>

*New dates in bold*

*\*All parents welcome*

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.**



# St Theresa's Summer Fair 2023

## A HUGE THANK YOU TO:

### Winkworth

