



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

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AUTUMN TERM 2023

Friday 10th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday, all parents will have received the link to the survey about the online parent consultations. If you did not receive the link, here it is again: <https://forms.office.com/r/WxEwmGCNGW>. Please do take the time to respond; we value your feedback.

On Monday 27th November at 3.45pm in the Y5 classroom, we will be holding an information, meeting for the current Y5 parents, about the October 2024 Y6 residential trip to Grosvenor Hall. The Year 5 children are welcome to stay for the meeting.

A reminder to all parents that next Wednesday - 15th November - the school photographer is coming to take the children's individual photos. The staff will ensure siblings have their photos taken together.

Next week we will be celebrating Anti-Bullying Week. This year's theme is Make a Noise About Bullying – a theme aimed at empowering children to speak up if they are being bullied or know of other children being bullied. Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online. It is behaviour that hurts someone else. It includes name calling, hitting, pushing, spreading rumours, threatening or undermining someone. If you think your child is being bullied, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you and have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

Applications for Reception

Applications are invited for the **Reception Class** for **September 2024** – this is for children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.

The deadline to return this to the school office is 15th January 2024.

The forms are available to download on the school website.

Please also be advised that you must also complete a CAF (Common Application Form) from Barnet - the on-line system is already open.

Reception Parent Rep

If you a parent/carer of a Reception child and would be interested in volunteering to be a Parent Rep, please speak to the school office. All classes have a rep and they are invaluable for passing on messages and keeping the lines of communication open for everyone.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Thank you for all your support over the past few events. Please see the total money raised for the school, below:

- 2nd hand uniform sales - £164.24
- Halloween disco - £271.23
- Year 3 sweet sales -£170.56

Thank you again.

MOVIE NIGHTS

Infant (Reception, Y1 and Y2) Movie Night: Wednesday 22nd November

Junior (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6) Movie Night: Wednesday 29th November

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

"Travelling Books" Book Fair

Celebrate reading at our Book Fair!

Reading for pleasure is transformative for pupils' academic success and personal wellbeing. We are hosting a Book Fair to bring reading to the heart of our school.

WHEN: Monday 20th November to Friday 24th November.

TIME: From 3:30p.m. to 4:00p.m.

WHERE: In our school library.

There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, we hope that everyone will be able to find a suitable book. Approximately 30% of the titles are under £5.

You will be able to pay for the books you purchase in cash or online using a QR code.

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school library!

It's the perfect place to begin your Christmas shopping!

St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for 2023-2024 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 5/9/23 - now	97.4%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 is still in the lead with 97.6% attendance so far with Y1 in second place!

At the end of the year, in July 2024, the class with the highest record of attendance will win a non-school uniform day!



The Wednesday Word

"God alone is infinitely wise. He is wisdom, power and love."

St Maximilian Kolbe

God loves us and sent Jesus to help us to grow in wisdom.

Ask your child what the word 'wisdom' means to them. Who do they know to be a wise person? What makes a person wise?

You may want to remind your child about a time when they made a wise choice – something which pleased you and made you proud of them. Loving our neighbour as ourselves is a powerful way to show that we are growing in wisdom.

"Wisdom is kind and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good." St James

Each of you choose a way in which you will try to grow in God's wisdom in these coming weeks. Perhaps it is through: not rushing when making decisions; thinking before we speak; being open to correction; trying to consider what effect our words and actions might have on ourselves and others; reading the gospels together; going to church and listening carefully; praying to God for the gift of wisdom; listening to parents, carers, teachers and other truthful or wise people.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/wisdom?pid=MTA101634&v=108.1>

New Year Camp 2024!

Non Stop Action are looking forward to **New Year Camp 2024!!!** 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 2nd January – Friday 5th January**. Bookings made before **Saturday 16th**

December 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 **£109** for a week! Head to our

website to book now: <https://www.nonstopaction.co.uk/>

Message from Public Health Barnet

MMR vaccine rates are still worryingly low in Barnet. Protect your children against measles and prevent disruption to school attendance.

Measles is a viral illness that can be serious and sometimes fatal. Cases of measles are rising in London, and with around 75% of 5-year-olds fully vaccinated in Barnet, we are well below the World Health Organisations target of 95% needed to prevent an outbreak.

Symptoms of measles include high fever, runny nose, cough, red and watery eyes, small red spots with a bluish-white centre inside the mouth. A rash can appear later, usually on the face, upper neck, hands and feet, fading after 5 to 6 days.

Vaccination can help prevent outbreaks and protect against serious illness. Any child identified as a close contact of a measles case without satisfactory vaccination status may be asked to self-isolate for up to 21 days.

Hear from Dr Colin Campbell on the importance of the MMR vaccine:

•<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xe7FPKZgNgw>

Read more about the importance of ensuring your child is up to date with their childhood vaccinations here.

Check your child's red book and contact their GP to make sure they are up to date on their routine vaccinations.

If your child has missed the vaccine as a baby or pre-schooler, contact your child's GP to make an appointment or visit a catch up clinic:

•Mill Hill Clinic, Hartley Avenue, Mill Hill, NW7 2HX

Phone: 0208 447 3622

Email: clcht.barnetimmunisationteam@nhs.net

For more information

visit: <https://nclhealthandcare.org.uk/keeping-well/baby-and-childhood-vaccinations/>

Reception	Alan for being a "Have-a-Go Mo" and really trying hard in maths when the children were learning about circles and triangles. Sara for her beautiful printing and for trying her best during lessons even when she finds things challenging.
Year 1	Avicii for his enthusiasm in our science lessons. Kimi for using exciting adjectives to describe the Traction Man.
Year 2	The whole class for taking part in the Barnet music festival. You were amazing.
Year 3	The whole class for a fantastic visit to Pizza Express and brilliant recounts.
Year 4	Lydia for showing amazing confidence when reading at Mass. Theo for working so hard in learning his times tables and getting 25 out of 25 in our recent test.
Year 5	Olivia for going the extra mile in her topic work. Alan for exceptional research in our study of the War of the Roses.
Year 6	Samyar for the great progress you are making – well done. Evie for the excellent vocabulary you are using in your writing. Very impressive!
<i>The Golden Ticket Winners are:</i> Liliana Y3 Olivia D Y6	

Dates for your diary

Tues 14 th Nov	Open Day visits for prospective parents 9.30am/1.30pm and 7pm
Wed 15 th Nov	Individual photos
Fri 17 th Nov	Y5 trip to The Charterhouse
Mon 20 th Nov	Travelling Book Fair week
Tues 21 st Nov	3.45pm Wellbeing workshop 2 for parents
Wed 22 nd Nov	Infant Movie Night
Fri 24 th Nov	9am Y1-Y6 Dance Festival for parents
Mon 27th Nov	3.45pm Grosvenor Hall residential meeting for Y5 parents
Wed 29 th Nov	Y3 Advent Carol Service at Westminster Cathedral
Wed 29 th Nov	Junior Movie Night
Fri 15 th Dec	9.30am Y1 and Y2 Christmas Show
Mon 18 th Dec	6pm Y5 Carol Concert
Tues 19 th Dec	Christmas Jumper day
Tues 19 th Dec	Christmas Lunch day
Thurs 21 st Dec	Last day of Autumn Term – 1pm finish
Mon 8 th Jan	INSET Day – school closed for children
Tues 9 th Jan	Children return to school
Wed 24 th Jan	Year 6 Trip to RAF Museum
Mon 12 th -Fri 16 th Feb	Half Term

***New dates in bold**