



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

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SUMMER TERM 2024

Friday 10th May

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to let parents know that following last week's very successful International Food Sale, a total of **£658** was made. Thank you again to everyone.

Yesterday, all parents received a letter regarding the school's proposal to open a nursery for 3-4 year olds. If you have younger children and will be looking for a nursery please do complete the survey so that we can gauge interest. The link to the survey can be found in yesterday's letter; here it is also <https://forms.office.com/r/tDpBMS2xL9>

On Monday 20th May at 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.

A reminder that the children in the juniors need to bring their own fruit or vegetables for snack time. **The children in Y3/4/5/6 can only bring fruit or vegetables for their morning snack – no other type of snack is permitted.**

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!

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa



Ofsted ParentView



A reminder to all parents that St. Theresa's is expecting an Ofsted inspection in the coming months and when we are notified of the Ofsted visit, the inspectors will want to gather the views of the parents. We are therefore asking parents to please complete the online Ofsted parent survey in preparation for the inspection. It can be accessed here: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>.

You will need to register with an email address first; once you are registered you will need to search for our school and then answer the 14 questions. The survey is anonymous.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Families,

The International Food Sale successfully raised £658, contributing towards our goal of £3000 for new laptops for the children. We deeply appreciate your generous donations and continued support.

We warmly invite you to join us at the Pre-Loved Uniform Sale on Tuesday the 14th of May. The sale will take place from 3:30 pm in the school hall, where you can find various items starting at only £1, and accessories for just 50p.

During the sale, we will also be offering coffee and cakes. This will be a wonderful opportunity for you to enjoy and have a chat with other parents and carers.

Additionally, we'd love to hear any new ideas you might have for fundraising events at our school. Please feel free to discuss your thoughts with your class representative or contact us directly. We look forward to your suggestions and feedback.

Warm regards,
The Friends

Increase in Breakfast Club Fees

Please note that Breakfast Club fees will increase to £4 per day starting from Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

Active Travel Breakfast: Friday 24th May

To encourage pupils to travel more actively to school and develop a healthy lifestyle, we are hosting an **Active Travel Breakfast**, on Friday 24th May.

All pupils who walk, or cycle to school on their bike or come on a scooter, on Friday 24th May, will get a free breakfast. The breakfast will be served from 8am-8.30am in the school hall and the pupils will be supervised by members of staff; parents are welcome to stay and have a cup of tea/coffee. All pupils are welcome to participate in this event.

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

Period	Whole school attendance
From 5/9/23 - now	96%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y5 is in the lead with 96.8% attendance and Y3 is 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!

Please visit our website where you will find our weekly newsletter, diary dates, curriculum information and lots more! <https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/>



The Wednesday Word

“Cast your cares upon God, for you are his and he will not forget you.” *St John of the Cross*

Ask your child what the word ‘care’ means to them. Who do you know to be a caring person? Each of you give an example of where or when you feel God’s care. Perhaps it is through: the love of your family and your friends; spending time alone with God in prayer at home; worshipping God with others; receiving help from others. Saying the ‘Our Father’, and really thinking about the words, is a great way to speak to God and to ask for God’s care.

Throughout the world, our Catholic schools and parishes educate and care for millions of children. Jesus cares for us and he wants us to care for others too. Each of you talk about a time when you recently showed your care for someone. Is there anyone who needs your care right now? As a family, choose a way in which you will especially start to show your care for others and for the earth, our common home.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/care?pid=MTA101634&sv=128.9>

Little Saints After School Club

Do you need Childcare for your child after the school day?

Little Saints offer an After School Club from 3.30-6pm Monday to Friday for only £12.

The children take part in so many different activities like arts and crafts, cooking, multi-sports and much more. We are Ofsted registered, so we now accept Childcare vouchers.

For more information please contact Vicky Avraam on 07968 498 364 or email her at: vicky_avraam@hotmail.co.uk

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs daily from 7.45am - 8.30am in the school hall for £3.50 (price will increase to £4 in September). 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.

Please ring the doorbell labelled “Breakfast Club” when you get to school in the morning, and a member of the breakfast club team will let your child in.

Do you have any time to volunteer at school?

The school welcomes parent/carer volunteers who have any extra spare time to come and help read with the children. If this is something you think you would like to do, please do come and speak to either Mr Troy or Miss Costa.

St Michael's Catholic Grammar School - Open Evening for Secondary Transfer - Tuesday 25 June 2024

Parents and girls who are interested in taking the entrance tests for St Michael's Catholic Grammar School are invited to visit the school for a guided tour on Tuesday 25 June between 5pm and 7pm. Headteacher talks will be held at 5pm and 7pm in The Sports Hall.

We have 128 places in each year and are historically heavily oversubscribed with girls who meet the criteria of Catholic girls from a Practising Catholic family who have made their First Holy Communion in the Catholic Church. Priority for up to 32 places is given to girls who are registered as Pupil Premium with their primary school. Full details of the Admissions Policy can be found on the School's website <https://www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk/home/admissions/>.

The online application to apply to sit the entrance tests for entry in September 2025 is now available <https://www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk/home/admissions/admissions-2025-26/>. The deadline for applications to be completed and Certificate of Catholic Practice provided to the School is 4pm on Tuesday 2nd July 2024.

Reception	Erin for putting thought and care into her independent writing pieces. Hudson for the improvement in his handwriting and for working hard in all areas of his learning.
Year 1	JP for his positive attitude towards learning Thalia for her hard work in Phonics and Handwriting
Year 2	Turhan for being keen and enthusiastic to share his thoughts. He is a fantastic source of information. Emmanuel for working so co-operatively with his learning partner. He wrote a lovely letter to Ms Melanie from Stephen's House.
Year 3	Sienna for settling into St Theresa's brilliantly and showing kindness to others Nyara for a brilliant effort in her newspaper writing and using ambitious vocabulary in her work.
Year 4	Natan for making a fantastic effort in his reading and showing increasing confidence Kamo for consistently getting 25/25 in his multiplication test.
Year 5	Anita for great contributions in lesson and cooperation with other students. Rachel for improved focus in lesson and showing an eagerness to learn.
Year 6	Lily for the great progress you are making across all subjects. You should be very proud of yourself! Arvin for the excellent effort you are putting into your home learning. Well done for striving to reach your full potential.
The Golden Ticket Winners are: <i>Lili (Y2)</i> <i>Max S (Y4)</i>	

Dates for your diary

Mon 13th – Thurs 16th May Year 6 SATS week

Tues 14th May Friends pre-loved uniform sale

Mon 20th – Fri 24th May Walk to School Week

Mon 20th May Y4 at Greenwich Museum

Mon 20th May 3.45pm secondary transfer meeting for current Y5 parents

Tues 21st May Y6 at Ragged School Museum

Fri 24th May 8am-8.30am Active Travel Breakfast

Mon 27th – Fri 31st May Half Term

Mon 3rd June INSET Day – school closed for children

Tues 11th June Y5 performing at the Barnet Schools' Music Festival at the Arts Depot

Wed 12th June Reception Trip to Golders Hill Park

Thurs 13th June 3.45pm Reception to Y1 transition meeting for Reception parents

Friday 14th June Father's Day after school cake sale

Wed 19th June 2pm New Reception Parent meeting

Fri 21st June Y4 trip to Sea Life

Sat 22nd June Friends' Summer BBQ

Wed 26th June Y6 at Tate Britain

Fri 28th June Mass for 1st Holy Communicants

Thurs 4th July 6pm Y6 show

Fri 5th July Y6 at Lee Valley White Water Centre

Thurs 18th July 6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass

Wed 24th July Last day of term 1pm finish

***New dates in bold**

Pre-loved Uniform



Sale



**Tuesday 14th May
from 3:30 pm
in the schoolhall
Anything from just £1!**