St. Theresa's Catholic Primary School

# St. Theresa's Newsletter

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



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## AUTUMN TERM 2024 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new year at St. Theresa's Catholic Primary School; I hope everyone had a restful, and safe, summer holiday. A very warm welcome to the all the new families who are joining our school community this autumn – we hope you and your children will be very happy here.

Today your child is bringing home a pack containing a number of important forms. Please look in your child's book bag for the following documents which must be completed and returned to school as soon as possible:

- Student details form the school updates all pupils' details every year
- The Home-School Agreement form one page to be signed by the parents and the other page to be signed by pupils in Y3-Y6
- **Pupil Acceptable Use Policy** re. online safety (to be completed by the pupil)
- Parent Acceptable Use Agreement re. online safety (to be signed by parents)

Other documents parents must read and be aware of are:

 The Importance of Good Attendance and School Procedures. This can be found on pages 14-16 of the school Attendance Policy <u>https://www.st-</u> theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Attendance-and-Punctuality-

Policy-May-2023.pdf Please read this very carefully as leave of absence during term time will be granted only in exceptional circumstances. If you take unauthorised leave, you may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £120 per parent, per child.

- School opening times and punctuality information. This can be found on page 13 of the school Attendance Policy <u>https://www.st-</u> theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2023/06/Attendance-and-Punctuality-Policy-May-2023.pdf
- **Spelling lists for Y3-Y6** these are spellings the children must learn off by heart.
- Packed lunch guidelines for parents who provide their child with a packed lunch every day. This can be found on page 10 of the school Food and Drink Policy <u>https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2023/06/Food-and-Drink-Policy-May-2023.pdf</u>

Over the next couple of weeks, parents are invited to attend class curriculum meetings at the school. At the meetings, the class teacher will explain routines, talk about what the children will be learning, expectations for the year group and ways you can help at home. The times and dates of these meetings can be found overleaf in the "Dates for your Diary" section of this newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend

Barbara Costa

## NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

A big warm welcome back to school and especially to all the new families starting at St Theresa's, we hope you will be happy here! An update on all The Friends exciting plans will be coming soon so watch this space!

Warm regards, The Friends

## 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: <u>Vicky avraam@Hotmail.co.uk</u> Telephone: 07968 498 364

#### **Class Curriculum Meetings**

Curriculum meetings for each class start next week: **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> 2.15pm Y6 parents** (this meeting includes important information about the Y6 national tests) **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Y5 parents** 

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 2.15pm Y4 parents* (this meeting includes important information about the Y4 national multiplication check)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Y3 parents

Please look at the "Dates for your Diary" section of the newsletter for information on the other class curriculum meetings.

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September



On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September we will be participating in the MacMillan Coffee morning. It is MacMillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer. Macmillan's goal is to make sure no one faces cancer alone.

The coffee morning will run in the Multi-Purpose room and parents will be able to come and have a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake! The children will be able to buy a cake and a cup of squash, to enjoy in their classrooms, for a donation of £1. If you are able to support this event by donating cakes/biscuits etc. please drop your contribution off to the school office by the morning of the 27th. We are very grateful for your support.

#### Football Afterschool Club for Year 3,4,5 & 6!!

Bookings for the Non Stop Action Football after school club at St. Theresa's Primary School is **OPEN**! The club will begin on Tuesday 10th of September and the last session of the term will be on Tuesday 17th December. Please book online at <u>www.NonStopAction.co.uk</u> to confirm your child's space for this term - **please note that you must be logged in to an account be able to see after-school clubs for your child**. Please ensure to book in advance, in order to secure your child's space. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact david@nonstopaction.co.uk or call the office on 0208 446 0006.

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

#### <u>The Wednesday Word</u> "God grants us his love, which saves us,

heals us and gives us strength." *Pope Francis* Why do you think the people asked Jesus to lay his hand on t the deaf man? This Sunday's Gospel reminds us how, in Jesus, God is active in the world, bringing healing. At differing times and in differing ways, we all need the healing touch of Jesus. Ask your child what the word 'healing' means to them. It may help your child if you tell them about the different kinds of healing we can experience in life. Then ask your child who brings healing to them, bringing comfort when they are ill, hurt or upset.

God still heals today, particularly through other people – doctors, nurses and, if we let him, through us too.

We can hurt people by unkind words, by a look or by refusing to speak to them. But we can heal people by a smile, by a greeting or even by asking for their forgiveness or offering them ours. Consider if there is anyone to whom you can help bring God's healing. What could you do? Perhaps you can: pray for someone; talk gently and lovingly to someone if there is a problem; give the gift of a smile; take time to listen carefully to other people, and try to support them where possible. Can you think of any good ways to bring healing to others?

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/summer-holidaybooklet?pid=MTA101634&zv=146.2

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club runs daily from 7.45am - 8.30am in the school hall for £4. 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.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Information

The online application system for our Year 6 parents is now open at <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>

All parents must apply online. If you need support please feel free to contact the school for support, or call the School Admissions Customer Services Team on 020 8359 7651.

Parents of children in Y6 who have an Educational Health Care Plan will need to complete a different form – this will have been sent to you by the Barnet SEN team.

The deadline for submitting your application is Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024. Applications received after 31<sup>st</sup> October will be treated as late. Late applications will not be considered until after the on-time applicants have been allocated their school places. This means that late applicants are unlikely to be offered one of their preferred schools. If there is a good reason as to why your application is late; for example you moved to the area after the closing date, you must contact the admissions department by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at the latest.

For further information about the secondary school application process please read the "*A Guide to Secondary Education in Barnet 2025*" which can be found here:

https://admin.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/024239\_b c4446\_barnet\_guide\_to\_secondary\_2025\_hg5s\_3.pdf?\_g [=1\*11s53of\*\_gcl\_au\*NjA0OTQ0MjEwLjE3MTc4NjM0NzA.\*\_ ga\*MTAyMzQ0ODMzNy4xNjk0NTI3MDc1\*\_ga\_FQ5GMM MGZJ\*MTcyNTU0MTUzOC4xMy4xLjE3MjU1NDE3NDAuNTg uMC4w



Year 1	Whole class for completing their first week of
	school in Year 1.
Year 2	David for super sounding out in English.
	Tashinga for demonstrating excellent learning
	behaviour.
Year 3	Whole class for settling in really well in Year 3
	and getting stuck into your work quietly.
Year 4	Whole class for making an excellent start to
	Year 4 and showing good behaviour for
	learning.
	Arel for showing good behaviour for learning
	and completing his work to a good standard.
Year 5	Theo for displaying a positive and focused
	attitude towards his learning. Great role
	model!
	Maya for listening attentively during lessons
	and keeping focused on her work. Well done!
Year 6	Whole class for settling so well into Year 6 and
	having a good attitude to learning.

### **The Golden Ticket Winners are:** Kourtney (Y6) Francesco (Y6)

#### **Dates for your diary**

Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.15pm Y6 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.30pm Y5 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.15pm Y4 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.30pm Y3 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.30pm Whole School Mass
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.15pm Y2 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.15pm Y1 Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Sep	2.30pm Reception Curriculum Meeting for Parents
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Y6 trip to Natural History Museum
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Y2 trip to the Golden Hinde
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Sep	3.30pm Residential Trip meeting for Y5 parents
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Macmillan Coffee morning
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct-Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct Y6 Residential trip to Grosvenor Hall	
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Y5 trip to British Museum
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y1 and Y2 attending 10am Mass at St. Philips
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y4 trip to Cartoon Museum
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y3 and Y4 attending 10am Mass at St. Philips
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y3 trip to Gunnersbury Park Museum
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Y1 trip to London Transport Museum
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov Half term	
*New dates in bold	