



**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 6th December

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everybody who supported yesterday evening's Jingle Mingle; it was clear that the children enjoyed themselves immensely! We will let you know how much money was raised, in next week's newsletter.

Next Friday (13th December) at 9.30am, our Reception, Y1 and Y2 pupils will be retelling the nativity story in their Christmas Show; parents are warmly invited to come and watch.

On Monday 16th December at 6pm, our Year 5 pupils will be leading a carol concert (in the school hall) and all parents are warmly invited to attend.

Children are invited to come to school on Wednesday 18th December replacing just the top part of their uniform with a Christmas - or red - jumper in return for a donation of £2. The money raised will be donated to 'The Passage'. The Passage runs London's largest voluntary sector resource centre for homeless and vulnerable people.

Also, on Thursday 19th December, the classes will be having their Christmas parties; details of the Christmas parties will be posted on your class Seesaw pages.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of The Friends of St. Theresa's, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents and families who contributed to making our Christmas Jingle Mingle such a wonderful success. Your generous donations, time, and support played an essential role in creating a joyful and festive event for our children.

A special thank you also goes to Ms Gulab, Mrs Conway, Mrs Tarrant, Miss O'Brien, Mrs Folan, Mrs Reimus and Ms D for their invaluable help.

We are truly grateful for your commitment. Wishing you all a joyful and blessed Christmas season!

Applications for Nursery January 2025

Applications are invited for the new **Nursery** for January 2025 – this is for children who are 3 by 31st December 2024). Children who will be 3 by 31st March 2025 can also apply and will be admitted in the summer term.

The application forms are available to download from the school website.

<https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Nursery-School-Application-Form-2024-2025.pdf>

Please return your completed application forms to the school office.

Applications for Reception September 2025

Applications are invited for the **Reception Class** for **September 2025** – this is for children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021. The deadline to return this to the school office is 15th January 2025. 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: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>

St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for 2024-2025 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 3/9/24 - now	95.2%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 are now in the lead with 97.6% attendance and Y4 are in 2nd place!
At the end of the year, in July 2025, the class with the highest record of attendance will win a non-school uniform day!

FOOTBALL AFTERSCHOOL CLUB - YEAR 3,4,5,6

We offer a wide range of age-specific activities, delivered by FA qualified coaches!

Bookings are now OPEN on our website www.NonStopAction.co.uk

Why join?

- ✓ Fun
- ✓ Engaging
- ✓ Safe
- ✓ Inclusive

Dates/Time

Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm
14th January - 1st April

Location

St. Theresa's Primary School, N3 2TD

Price

£7.00
/Session

Contact Us | 02084460006 | www.NonStopAction.co.uk

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

"Whoever has peace in his heart 'prepares a place' for the Lord." *St Theoliptos of Philadelphia*

Advent is a time of waiting and preparation. Ask your child what the word 'preparation' means to them. When did your child last prepare for something particularly well or for something special? It may help your child if you can share something about a time when you prepared particularly well for something. How is your child preparing at school for the celebration of Jesus' birthday at Christmas?

As a family, how can you prepare well for Christmas? Perhaps you can: slow down and try to remember Jesus - the real reason for Christmas; read The Wednesday Word together; read the Bible's Christmas story together; make an extra effort to consider other people's needs throughout this Season of Advent; sing favourite Christmas carols together. What other ways can you think of to prepare for celebrating Jesus' birth?

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/preparation?pid=MTA101634&sv=157.3>



Christmas/Red Jumper Day Tuesday 19th December!

The children are invited to come to school on Tuesday 19th December replacing just the top part of their uniform with a Christmas or red jumper in return for a donation £2. The money raised will be donated to 'The Passage'. The Passage runs London's largest voluntary sector resource centre for homeless and vulnerable people.



Coffee Morning



Date: Monday 16th December 2024

Time: 8.40am – 9.30am

Tea, coffee, and biscuits provided.

Venue: Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School, Bow Lane, N12 0JP

Family Links

For parents and carers of children aged 2-11.

Come along and find out about the Family Links session taking place in January 2025 at Our Lady of Lourdes School

Join us for an opportunity to discuss and think about parenting. We will share ideas which help us to support our children.

Please contact for more information:

Gary Duncan - Early Help Practitioner 07729 075230

Yvonne Scott – Early Help Practitioner 07917465170



Reception	Jacob for working so hard on making good choices. Sirwan for working really hard on his counting.
Year 1	Anastasia for settling in so well to her new class. Emilia for her happy and enthusiastic attitude towards all aspects of her work!
Year 2	Avicii for trying hard to increase his speed in lessons. Jakub for his resilience in Maths.
Year 3	The whole class for such wonderful behavior at Westminster Cathedral
Year 4	Phoebe for working so hard with her times tables. Arls for writing such an informative non-chronological report.
Year 5	Thea for her great contribution to Maths discussion. Frank for great piece of persuasive writing
Year 6	Kourtney –for making a great effort with her balanced argument. Chisom for her Have a Go Mo attitude in maths.
The Golden Ticket Winners are: Arron (Rec) Cagan (Y6)	

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

Dates for your diary

Mon 9 th Dec	Y6 Rockstar Day
Tues 10 th Dec	10.30am Y3 trumpet assembly for Y3 parents
Tues 10 th Dec	2.30pm Violin Assembly for violinist parents
Fri 13 th Dec	9.30am Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Show
Fri 13 th Dec	Y5 Rockstar Day
Mon 16th Dec	2pm Y5 singing at Nazareth House
Mon 16 th Dec	6pm Y5 Carol Concert (in school)
Wed 18 th Dec	School Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
Thurs 19 th Dec	Class party day
Thurs 19 th Dec	Flu Vaccination catch-up session
Fri 20 th Dec	Last day of Autumn term - 1pm finish
Mon 6 th Jan	School closed to children
Tues 7 th Jan	Children back at school
Fri 17 th Jan	Y1 and Y2 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's Church
Fri 24 th Jan	Y3 and Y4 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's Church
Fri 31 st Jan	Y5 and Y6 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's Church
Thurs 6th Feb	4pm-6.30pm Parent Consultations (face to face)
Tues 11th Feb	4pm-6.30pm Parent Consultations (face to face)
Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb Half term	
*New dates in bold	



Benefits

Housing

Domestic Abuse

Education



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For parents and carers of children aged 2-11.

Join us for an opportunity to discuss and share strategies and ideas to support our relationships with our children.

10-week programme

Starting: Wednesday 15th January 2025

Last session 02nd April 2025
(no session during half term)

Time: 9.30 to 11:30 noon

Tea, coffee, and biscuits provided.

Venue: Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School, Bow Lane,
N12 0JP

Nearest tube station: East Finchley

Bus route: 263

Free on-street parking

Please make referrals via the Universal plus form. This can be found on the Barnet website:

[Make a referral to the Early Help team | Barnet Council](#)

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