

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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SUMMER TERM 2025 Friday 23rd May

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the Y5 parents who attended Monday's Secondary Transfer Meeting; we will be uploading the slides to the Y5 class Seesaw page.

Thank you to everybody who supported the Friends' Infant Movie Night; which raised £270. A huge thank you again to all the members of the Friends' Committee for everything they do; they have recently paid for the new smartboards that had been installed in Y1, Y5 and Y6 and for the upgrade of the school's WiFi in the autumn term.

On Friday 6th June at 2.15pm, Father John will be celebrating Mass for the school's feast day; parents are very welcome to attend.

See you all on Tuesday 3rd June; have a lovely May half-term holiday.

Barbara Costa

Notice for Nursery Parents Increase to price for school lunches

As of Monday 2nd June 2025, the new price will be: £2.76

Notice from St Michael's Catholic Grammar School Open Evening for Secondary Transfer Wednesday 25th June 2025

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 Wednesday 25 June between 5pm and 7pm. Headteacher talks will be held at 5pm and 7pm in The Sports Hall.

We have changed our admissions criteria for entry from September 2026 onwards and will no longer require evidence of First Holy Communion. We have 128 places in each year and are historically heavily oversubscribed with girls who meet the criteria of Baptised Catholic girls from a Practising Catholic family. 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 and the online application to sit the entrance tests for entry in September 2026 is now available https://www.st-

michaels.barnet.sch.uk/home/admissions/admissions-2026-27/.

The deadline for applications to be completed and Certificate of Catholic Practice provided to the School is 4pm on Tuesday 8th July 2025.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

A big thank you to all the children who attended the Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 movie night yesterday. The children had a fantastic time and it was a thoroughly enjoyable evening for everyone involved and raised £270! A special thank you to Mr Troy, who managed the event alongside The Friends, your help is truly appreciated. The Key Stage 2 movie night date will be announced after half term, so please keep an eye out.

We're now busy planning our St Theresa's Summer Fair, which will take place on Saturday 5th July from 2–5pm. Please save the date and we'd love to see as many of you there as possible.

To make the fair a success, we're looking for parent volunteers to help with set-up and running activities on the day. If you're able to help, please contact the school office, and they will put you in touch with the Chair of The Friends. Best wishes, The Friends

Occupational Sleep Support

For information

Is your child struggling to settle to sleep or stay asleep at night? Join this training to learn about the stages of sleep, and evidence-based strategies that you can implement to support healthy sleeping habits and bedtime routines.

Monday 7th July

1pm-2pm (with optional 30 minute Q&A)

Link: Join conversation

Meeting ID: 361 903 192 251

Passcode: i9fH3YN2

The link can also be accessed on the Barnet training menu: Barnet CIT Universal training menu:

https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/document.ashx?id=15232 It's advertised for age 2-11 years, but families with older children

are welcome to access this too.

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

Period	Whole school attendance
From 3/9/24 - now	94.89%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 are still in the lead with 96.52% 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!

The Wednesday Word

""Love is the only language everyone understands."

St Joseph Frienademetz

God is love and all love comes from God. Whenever we love and care for one another we can be sure that God is with us. Ask your child who they love. What does your child think it means to 'love one another'. Who makes your child feel especially loved: a) at home? b) at school? c) at church or in the community? Ask your child when they recently felt especially loved. When did your child last show love towards someone? How did they show their love?

Each of you decide on something you can do in the coming days to share your love - to love as Jesus loves. Perhaps you can: as a family, visit someone who may be sick or lonely; be extra helpful by putting others' needs first; show and tell family members how much you love them through unexpected acts of kindness; include someone in your games who may be feeling left out.

https://wednesday-word.paperturnview.com/love?pid=MTA101634&p=2&v=174.6

School Attendance and Punctuality Policy

The school attendance and Punctuality Policy can be found on the school website here: https://www.st-

theresas.barnet.sch.uk/school/policies/

The Barnet Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) visits the school every half term, and every half term the registers are monitored. All children are expected to attend school for 96% of the school year. Therefore if your child's attendance falls below this number, it is very likely you will receive a letter from the school informing you of this. You will receive the letter regardless of whether the absences were authorised or not – this is standard procedure and simply alerts parents to the fact that their child's attendance has fallen below 96%. In some cases, children's attendance may fall below 90%; any child whose attendance falls below 90% is considered a "Persistent Absentee" and will trigger more formal monitoring directly from the EWO.





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Reception	Simran for your excellent behaviour and characteristics
	of learning.
	Dara for being a great partner to your classmates in
	team activities.
Year 1	Erin for showing fantastic understanding of halves and
	quarters in Maths.
	Theo for your amazing progress in reading. Your
	Phonics skills are growing stronger every day!
Year 2	Jakub for always willing to give things a go and help
	out. He brings joy to all those around him.
	Lucy for settling so well into Year 2.
Year 3	Levi for his positive attitude towards improving his
	handwriting.
	Jason for his excellent learning about rhetorical
	questions.
Year 4	Oliver and Hebeh for settling in wonderfully to school
	life in Year 4.
Year 5	Amilia for focusing in lessons and putting great effort
	into her short story narrative. Keep up the good work.
	Kamo for applying himself in lessons and making
	positive contributions when answering questions.
Year 6	Chisom for a great Victorian story, well done! You
	have demonstrated a strong understanding of the
	historical setting.
	Kezie for making a great effort in his writing this week.
The Golden Ticket Winners are:	
Esther Y3	
Oliver Y4	

<u>Applications for Nursery April and September 2025</u>

Applications are invited for the Nursery for September 2025 (this is for children who are 3 years old by 31st August 2025). The application forms are available to download from the school website.

https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/admissions/

Please return your completed application forms to the school office

Dates for your diary

Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May Half term holiday

Mon 2nd June INSET day – school closed for children

Tues 3rd June Children back to school

Fri 6th June St. Theresa's Feast Day Mass at 2.15pm
Wed 11th June Hearing and Vision recall test for Reception

Thurs 12th June 3.30pm Transition from Reception to Year 1

meeting for Reception parents

Mon 16th June 9.30am Y3 and Y4 visit to Akiva School

10.30am Y1 and Y2 visit to Akiva School

2pm Y5 and Y6 visit to Akiva School

Wed 18th June 2pm Meeting for new Reception Parents

Thurs 26th June 1.30-2.30pm Open afternoon for new Reception

starters

Fri 27th June 2.30pm Mass for Holy Communicants

Thurs 3rd July 6pm Y6 Show

Sat 5th July 2pm-5pm Friends Summer Fair

Thurs 17th July 6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass
Tues 22nd July 9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Tues 22nd July Last day of term 1pm finish

*New dates in bold