



**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 13th June

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the Reception parents who attended yesterday's Reception to Y1 transition meeting. The presentation has been uploaded onto the Reception class Seesaw page and the school website:

<https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Year-1-transition-meeting-June-2025.pdf>

Yesterday, the annual parent questionnaire was sent out. Please complete the questionnaire as fully as possible and return it to school by 12noon on Monday 30th June. Should you wish your responses to remain anonymous you may return your questionnaire to the box labelled "Questionnaire" in the main school entrance, just outside the school office. Should you prefer to complete the questionnaire online please click this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/q78XwybawR>

Today the school participated in Spirituality Day; the day is designed to help children reflect on deeper life questions and develop their sense of self, others, and the world around them. This year the activities focused on CAFOD's principles of catholic social teaching: Human Dignity, Solidarity, Stewardship, Participation, Promoting Peace, Subsidiarity, Promoting Peace and Preferential option for the Poor. Thank you to Miss O'Brien for organising this day for the pupils.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

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.

Parent/Carer Governor Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for one Elected Parent Governor of St Theresa's with immediate effect. We therefore invite nominations for parents, or carers, who would like to join the Governing Body. Should there be more than one candidate, we will hold an election.

Yesterday, parents were been emailed a letter and nomination form, which should be returned to The Clerk to the Governors via the school office, by 12pm on Friday 20th June.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're very excited that our Summer Fair is fast approaching on **Saturday 5th July, from 2pm to 5pm.**

Reminder for class donations below.

Reception: Stationery

Year 1: Stationery

Year 2: New Toys

Year 3: Sweets

Year 4: New Toys

Year 5: Sweets

Year 6: New Toys

Please bring all donations to your child's classroom by **Friday 27th June**. If you're unsure about what is required, feel free to ask your class representative for guidance.

Best wishes, The Friends

Barnet Windrush Day – FREE EVENT

Date: Sunday, 22 June 2025

Time: 12pm – 5pm

Location: Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, NW4 4BG

Windrush Day is celebrated nationwide on 22nd June, a day to remember and honour the significant contributions African and Caribbean communities have made to the UK's economy and culture since the Second World War.

We are inviting families and community members to celebrate Windrush heritage through film, conversation, craft, and food in this family-friendly event. Drop in any time between 12pm and 5pm.

Highlights include:

- A crafts and photography exhibition in the library sharing stories from the Windrush generation
- Video screenings from the Barnet Windrush Stories project, starting at 2pm
- Elizabeth from Heritage Community Crafts CIC leading a 'Smocking' brooch-making workshop – suitable for ages 12 and over – where participants can learn traditional hand-smocking and create their own brooch to take home
- Tasty food and opportunities for friendly conversation

Grab your free ticket here: www.bit.ly/windrushday25

St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for

2024-2025 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 3/9/24 - now	94.9%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 are still in the lead with 96.75% 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

"Every time that we make the sign of the cross, we draw closer to the great mystery of the Holy Trinity." *Pope Francis*

This coming Sunday, the Church celebrates the great feast of The Most Holy Trinity. Ask your child what the words 'Holy Trinity' mean to them. What have they learnt at school about the Holy Trinity? It may help your child if you tell them something that you know about the Holy Trinity.

The word Trinity means 'Tri-unity', three in one. We remember the Trinity each time we bless ourselves with the sign of the cross - a reminder that God is always with us, wherever we are. Ask your child if they know the words that complete this blessing: "In the name of the Father, and of the"? Come and learn more about the Most Holy Trinity, and grow closer to God at church this Sunday.

<https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/holy-trinity?pid=MTA101634&v=176.6>

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.

Cases of measles are increasing locally – is your child protected?

Measles spreads quickly and can cause serious illness. Vaccination is the only way to protect against measles. Two doses of the MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine offers life-long protection. Children who get measles can become very ill. Some will suffer life changing complications.

To stop the spread and reduce serious illness, make sure your child is up to date with their MMR vaccinations. The MMR vaccine is offered at 1 year (first dose) and 3 years and 4 months (second dose).

How to get your child vaccinated?

If your child missed one or two doses of the MMR vaccine, contact your GP practice and book an appointment. All routine childhood vaccines are free. Or attend a catch up clinic, details below:

- MMR Paediatrics clinic at UCLH
- MMR Clinic Paediatrics Department, Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Wing, University College Hospital, 25 Grafton Way London, WC1E 6DB.
- Saturday 29 June, 9am to 4:45pm
- [Book your appointment here](#)
- Translation services are available for patients whose first language is not English.

Useful links for parents/carers

- Childhood routine vaccination schedule Vaccination schedule - [North Central London Integrated Care System \(nclhealthandcare.org.uk\)](#)
- MMR – measles, mumps and rubella – how to protect your child [Measles, Mumps and Rubella - North Central London Integrated Care System \(nclhealthandcare.org.uk\)](#)
- Baby and childhood vaccinations - Frequently asked questions [Frequently Asked Questions - North Central London Integrated Care System \(nclhealthandcare.org.uk\)](#)
- Help your child feel confident and prepared: watch Teddy on his journey to get vaccinated [Teddy Bear's Vaccination Adventure - YouTube](#)



Reception	Joshua for your extra efforts in phonics this week. Amelia for your super creativity making a collaged butterfly.
Year 1	Whole Class for showing fantastic effort, determination and hard work in taking the Y1 Phonics Screening Test. I am very proud of all of you!
Year 2	Naruto for great effort in writing. Avina for working hard in Maths, English and staying resilient when challenges arise.
Year 3	Andreas for being a kind friend and working well with others in science. Amal for her excellent attitude to learning and participating in class.
Year 4	Nyara for showing hard work and determination during the multiplication check. Whole class for showing great focus and effort during the multiplication check.
Year 5	Maya for consistently putting effort into all her work and always striving to improve. William for consistently showing resilience and independently applying himself to all task.
Year 6	Denys for showing great effort in learning his lines and for a wonderful ability to improvise. Kourtney for working hard to produce a clear and detailed explanation text on a Victorian invention, showing excellent effort in proofreading, redrafting, and publishing your final piece.

The Golden Ticket Winners are:
Dara (Reception)
Emily (Y5)

Dates for your diary

Wed 18 th June	2pm Meeting for new Reception Parents
Thurs 26 th June	Y1 trip to London Zoo
Thurs 26 th June	1.30-2.30pm Open afternoon for new Reception starters
Fri 26th June	Y6 Junior Citizenship workshop at Finchley Youth Theatre
Fri 27 th June	2.30pm Mass for Holy Communicants
Mon 30 th June	Y2 trip to London Sea Life
Wed 2 nd July	Y3 trip to London Zoo
Thurs 3 rd July	6pm Y6 Show
Sat 5 th July	2pm-5pm Friends Summer Fair
Tues 8 th July	Sports Day (details to follow)
Thurs 17 th July	6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass
Tues 22 nd July	9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Tues 22 nd July	Last day of term 1pm finish
Tues 2 nd Sept	Y1-Y6 Children back to school

***New dates in bold**