

# 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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# Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Friends' Summer Fayre – £4170 was raised!! This is wonderful and will go a long way towards supporting the school; we are very grateful.

On Wednesday, the pupils had great fun at their Sports Day! We are again very grateful to the PE department at Bishop Douglass for organising and hosting the event; we hope the parents who came on the day, enjoyed it. Photos of the day can be found on the school's Instagram page @st.theresas.n3.

A reminder to all Year 6 parents that on Thursday evening, the Year 6 pupils will be leading the Leavers' Mass for their families. The Mass will be celebrated by Father John, at the school, at 6pm.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

# 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

# **School Attendance**

# Authorised and Unauthorised Absences Examples of authorised absences

- · Proof of illness from GP/Hospital provided
- Phone call from parent / carer explaining that their child is ill
- Proof of medical appointment
- Permission given from Headteacher following a written request for exceptional leave of absence (i.e. Religious days etc.). All requests for exceptional leave of absence must be made in writing to the Headteacher. Request forms are available from the school office.

# Examples of unauthorised absences

- Holidays
- Days out
- Birthdays
- Parent / carer or sibling unwell
- Tiredness
- No reasonable explanation received from parent / carer Holidays in term time will not be authorised; we see every day that a child is not in school as a day's learning lost. Every day matters.

# **Education Welfare Officer (EWO)**

Please note that children are expected to attend school for at least 96% of the year. Attendance is regularly checked by the EWO who may fine parents for any unauthorised absence.

# Illnesses that will not prevent your child from coming to school

- Mild cough
- · Cold/Sneezes
- Tiredness

### NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Friends of St Theresa's would like to thank you all so much for coming along to last Saturday's Summer Fair on 5th July. It was a fantastic day, and it was lovely to see so many of you there, bringing a real sense of community spirit.

We are delighted to announce that, together, we raised £4,170 for the school. This is a brilliant achievement, and it would not have been possible without your generous donations for the class stalls and your support on the day.

The Friends are now busy planning events for the new school year, and we will share dates with you soon. We really appreciate all your support, and if you would like to get involved with the Friends, please contact the school office, and they will put you in touch with the committee.

Thank you once again for your kindness and support.

Best wishes, The Friends St Theresa's

# Class Curriculum Meetings

School opens to the children on Tuesday  $2^{nd}$  September and the following week, we will start the curriculum meetings for each class:

Monday  $8^{th}$  2.15pm Y6 parents (this meeting includes important information about the Y6 national tests) Tuesday  $9^{th}$  2.30pm Y5 parents

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> 2.15pm Y4 parents (this meeting includes important information about the Y4 national multiplication check)

Thursday 11th 2.30pm Y3 parents

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

# Goodbye, thank you and good luck

It is that time of year again when we have to, sadly, say goodbye to a number of families who will be leaving our school community after some years...

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The Kusi family 14 years The Dialah family 11 years The Rojek family 10 years The Muci family 9 years The Alberto-Valeza family 7 years The Fernandes family 7 years The Grzebyk family 7 years 7 years The Gyan family The Mashinchy family 7 years The Pietrzyk family 7 years The Zagorski family 6 years The Dorosh family 3 years The Mali family 2 years The Mustapha family 2 years The Kamel family 1.5 years The Catakoglu family 1 year

Thank you for all your support over the years and we wish you the best of luck for the future.

# The Wednesday Word

"Anyone who needs me, and whom I can help, is my neighbour." Pope Benedict XVI

The Good Samaritan teaches us how to be a good neighbour. Ask your child what the word 'neighbour' means to them. What makes a good neighbour? Do you ever find it difficult to 'love your neighbour as yourself? Can you remember a time when someone was a good neighbour to you? Who are the 'Good Samaritans' in your community?

Good neighbours are caring, generous, kind and compassionate. How can we show these qualities and be 'Good Samaritans' to those around us in this coming week? Perhaps we can: visit an elderly or sick person together as a family; be welcoming to new people in our community; try to include someone at school who may be feeling lonely or left out; learn about and help our neighbours abroad: www.cafodorguk/Education/Kidz-Zone https://wednesday-word.paperturnview.com/neighbour?pid=MTA101634&v=180.6

Match Funding from your Employer

Match funding is a fantastic scheme whereby employers provide funding for organisations such as primary schools. It is a very simple and easy means of extra funding. As an employee it doesn't cost you anything, except maybe a little help at an event but could mean *hundreds of pounds* of extra money for the Friends, which directly benefits the children. In many cases it is as simple as approaching your HR department and finding out about their scheme (the name of the scheme may differ depending on the company). If you think you may be able to help us, then please do contact the PSA.

Staff and Classes for 2025-2026	
Nursery/ Reception	Mrs Reimus, supported by Mrs Barnes
Year 1	Mrs Decuseara, supported by Mrs Fraser
Year 2	Miss Kastanias, supported by Mrs Coleman and Ms Decsak
Year 3	Mrs Conway, supported by Ms Bradley and Mrs McGrath
Year 4	Miss O'Brien, supported by Mrs Espinosa, Mr DeMiranda, Mrs Rossi, Mrs Bouchelaghem and Mrs Johansson
Year 5	Miss Porcu, supported by Mrs Tarrant and Mr DeMiranda
Year 6	Mr Owen, supported by Miss O'Hara
Office Manager	Mrs Orsi (Mon, Wed, Thurs)
School Secretary	Mrs Tsui (Mon, Tues, Thurs am, Fri)
Site Manager	Mr Kryst
Mealtime Supervisors	Ms Espenica Ms Jaramillo Mrs Ottery
Breakfast Club Supervisors	Ms Espenica Ms Jaramillo
Inclusion Leader	Mrs Folan (Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri) – not class based
Head of School	Mr Troy – not class based
Executive Headteacher	Miss Costa (2.5 days a week) – not class based



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Reception	Whole class for your participation in Sports day this week. Well
	done everyone!
Year 1	Jesvin for proudly competing in Sports Day and showing great
	effort and energy!
	<b>Doruk</b> for his excellent effort and progress in learning about clocks
	and telling time.
Year 2	<b>Lucy</b> for great effort in writing. Keep it up!
	Michelle for working hard in Maths and solving problems.
Year 3	Catelaya for using expression and feeling in whole class reading.
	Andreas for being a Have a Go Mo and answering questions in
	class.
Year 4	Faith for including a range of key features in her non-
	chronological report.
	Amin for working hard to improve his reading.
Year 5	Shervin for listening attentively and participating across all lessons
	with a positive attitude.
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The Golden Ticket Winners are: Eva (Y2) & Emíly (Y5)

### School Chess Club My Background My name is Rob Willmoth. I have played chess for 35 years. I am currently ranked in the top 100 players in the UK . I run chess coaching services, which provides professional chess coaching in schools What can Chess offer to Children. Chess Club Lesson. Potential for better performance in academic •Structured lesson plan by term ,from basic play to advanced play •Regular grading system to assess performance. •Enhanced strategic thinking ·Weekly coaching on demonstration board •Enhanced self esteem ·Graded weekly games against other children ·Friendly forum for making friends ·Weekly recap on knowledge learnt. ·Healthy competition in a safe environment Sign up For Chess Club ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY 12 lessons commencing Fri 12th Sep ending Fri 5th Dec... Cost:-£8 per lesson on Friday-07.45 to 08.45 Total cost for term is £96.(12 lessons)... Online pay/ registration at https://www.chesscoachingservices.net/online-payments/school-club Further Enquiries. Email:admin@chesscoachingservices.net Mobile 07956 297329 Website: chesscoachingservices.net

# **Dates for your diary** Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July 6pm Y6 Leavers' Mass Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July 9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July Last day of term 1pm finish Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept Y1-Y6 Children back to school Mon 8th Sept 2.15pm Y6 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Tues 9th Sept 2.30pm Y5 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Wed 10th Sept 2.15pm Y4 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Thurs 11th Sept 2.30pm Y3 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Fri 12th Sept Y2 trip to Golden Hinde Mon 15th Sept 1.45pm Whole School Mas Tues 16th Sept 2.30pm Y2 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Wed 17th Sept 2.15pm Y1 Curriculum Meeting for Parents Thurs 18th Sept 2.30pm Reception Curriculum Meeting for Fri 19th Sept 2.30pm Nursery Curriculum Meeting for Parents Tues 22nd Sept 9.30am/1.30pm and 7pm Prospective parent Fri 26th Sept **Macmillan Coffee Morning** Wed 1st Oct-Fri 3rd Oct Y6 Residential Trip to Grosvenor Hall

\*New dates in bold



# **FENCING CLUB**

This club is open to everyone! If you're new to fencing, we'll get you up to speed. If you've attended previous terms, expect to level up your parries, ripostes, distance control, and bout strategy. We'll also work on timing, tempo, and making smart decisions under pressure.

Each session includes practical drills, fun games, and friendly bouts that encourage competition and personal growth!

www.threethirty.co.uk office@threethirty.co.uk



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For children age 4-11

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St. Theresa's Primary School, East End Road, Finchley, London N3 2TD Tuesdays: 9th September - 9th December

3:15-4:15pm









£117 per term. To book a place please email us the following details: Child's Name, Class, Your Name, Telephone Number, Any allergies or Intolerances, Special Needs/Requirements. For payments use code: "ST plus your child's name' to Miss V Avraam, Natwest, Sort Code: 51 50 00 Account No: 64134520

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DECEMBER

Contact Us 020 8446 0006 Info@NonStopAction.co.uk

Why Join?

- Engaging ✓ Safe
- Inclusive

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**Registration Link** 

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✓ Fun

Time

3.30-4.30PM

- ✓ Safe

Tuesdays 9TH SEPTEMBER - 16TH DECEMBER

Price Per Session £7.00

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# **BELS Advisory Team** for Autistic Children and Young People

BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents And Carers. An Online Parent/Carer Training Course

Autumn Term 2025

A comprehensive training and support programme for parents/carers of children aged 6-19, with a diagnosis of Autism.

This course is available free of charge to families living in Barnet.

A 6-session online training course, covering topics including:

- An overview of what it means for your child to be Autistic.
- Communication.
- Understanding emotional regulation/'behaviour'.

This course also gives parents/carers an opportunity to learn together and share experiences

Please only sign up for one of these courses and please do not sign up if you have already attended this course, or the Cygnets Course.

BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents and Carers. Autumn Term 2025 One, A 6-session morning course.

### Dates and times:

Monday 8th September 10-11.30am Monday 15th September 10-11.30am Monday 22td September 10-11.30am Monday 29th September 10-11.30am Monday 6th October 10-11.30am Monday 13th October 10-11.30a Sign up here: <u>BACPAC Autumn 2</u>

BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents and Carers Autumn Term 2025 Two, A 6-session evening course.

### Dates and times

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 6-7.30pm Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 6-7.30pm Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 6-7.30pm Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November 6-7.30pm

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 6-7.30pm Monday 8th December 6-7.30pm Sign up here: <u>BACPAC Autumn 2025 Two</u>

For any enquires please email Autism. Team@barnet.gov.uk with 'BACPAC course' as the



# **LAUNCH EVENT**

# TUESDAY 15TH JULY 2025

Join us for a special launch event at the Barnet Children and Families Autism Hub.

- Meet the team and learn more about the hub
- Take part in autism friendly activities
- Speak to the team, ask your questions, and find out how to get involved

10:30AM - 12:30PM or 12:30PM - 2:30PM at 858 Finchley Road, **NW11 6AB** 

Book now to join us by scanning the QR Code















# **BELS Advisory Team** for Autistic Children and Young People

# **Autistic Speaker Dean Beadle:** Q&A Session for Parents and Carers & Professionals

We are delighted to welcome Dean Beadle

A choice of 2 online talks for parents/carers & professionals.

When: Thursday 17th July 2025 at either

10-11am Or 6-7pm

Online via Zoom

In this session Dean will answer pre-submitted questions and will look at practical ways to meet the needs of Autistic children & young people.

Dean Beadle is an Autistic speaker who has spent 20 years delivering talks across the UK and abroad. He is known for his humorous and thought-provoking sessions. He is patron of three autism related charities.

The online session is free, but it is essential parents/carers register using the link/s below.

Thursday 17th July 10-11am session: Dean Beadle O&A 10-11am

Thursday 17th July 6-7pm session: Dean Readle Q&A 6-7pm

Please add any questions you'd like Dean to discuss on the registration form. Due to time constraints, we are unable to take questions during the session.

\*Closing date for questions 3pm Thursday 10th July\*

Any questions please email Autism.Team@Barnet.gov.uk with

'Dean Beadle July 25 Q&A session' in the header.



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# SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2025

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGES 10-18 WHO HAVE ADDITIONAL NEEDS

# 12TH AUGUST: ALEXANDRA PALACE TRIP



- 10.30-3PM DROP OFF AND COLLECT FROM COMMUNITY FOCUS

  INCLUDES AN OUTDOOR WORKSHOP IN THE HISTORIC

# 18-20TH AUGUST: CF FEST

10.30–3PM EACH DAY AT COMMUNITY FOCUS INCLUDES MUSIC. DANCE. ART & FASHION WORKSHOPS AND A CHANCE TO HOLD YOUR VERY OWN FESTIVAL FOR FRIENDS

# 27TH AUGUST: KENTISH TOWN CITY FARM TRIP



- 9:30–2PM DROP OFF AND COLLECT FROM COMMUNITY FOCUS INCLUDES A TOUR OF KENTISH TOWN CITY FARM AND A CHANCE TO WORK WITH REAL ANIMALS

# WHAT IS COMMUNITY FOCUS?

### HOW TO APPLY?

You must be ages 10-18 and registered as having a learning disability. You can email benipcommunity/focus.co.uk or phone 020 2748 2226 to request an enrolment form. Once you have completed and returned the form you will need to arrange a meeting where we can assess whether CF can meet the needs of your young person. Please note CF cannot provide personal care or support those with physically behavioural issues such as lashing out.

# HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?







