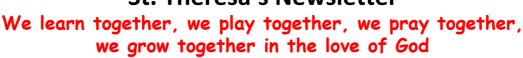


St. Theresa's Newsletter







St Theresa's Primary School, East End Rd, LONDON N3 2TD Tel: 0208 346 8826

Email: office@sttheresas.barnetmail.net Website: https://www.st-theresas.barnet.sch.uk/ Twitter: https://twitter.com/StTheresasCath1

AUTUMN TERM 2025 Friday 19th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended the Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Meetings over the last couple of weeks; we hope you found them useful. Please do speak to your class teacher if you have any further questions.

On Tuesday (23rd September) we are hosting three school tours for prospective parents at 9.30am, 1.30pm and 7pm. Please do spread the word and let your friends know.

Next Thursday, 25th September, at 3.30pm in the Y5 classroom, we will be holding an information meeting for the current Y5 parents, about the October 2026 Y6 residential trip to Grosvenor Hall. The Year 5 children are welcome to stay for the meeting.

A reminder to everybody that it is the Macmillan Coffee Morning next Friday. All parents/carers are warmly invited to come and have tea/coffee and cake in the school hall from 8.40-9.30am. The children will also be given a cake and squash and we ask them to kindly bring in 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. We are very grateful for your Barbara

Have a lovely weekend



barnetyoungcarers.org.uk | 0203 995 1909

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers

We are excited to invite you to The Friends of St Theresa's Halloween Disco on Thursday 23rd October from 6pm to 8pm in the School Hall! There will be a DJ, fun stalls, delicious food and refreshments, and a fantastic prize for the best costume. At St Theresa's, we aim to organise events that enrich our children's social experiences and create a strong sense of community. Supporting the school and enhancing the children's experience is at the heart of what The Friends is all about, and we would love to have your support in making this possible. If you are interested in joining or learning more, please email the school office, who will put you in contact with the chair of The Friends.

Warmest regards, The Friends

School Attendance

Term Time Holiday Requests

We receive a number requests for leave of absence during school time. Please can we remind you that term time holiday requests will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances.

Please ensure your child is present the last day of the term and the first day of a new term.

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**

Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 26th September

On Friday 26th 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

The coffee morning will run in the hall 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 26th. We are very grateful for your support.

St. Theresa's pupil attendance target for 2025-2026 is 96%

Period	Whole school attendance
From 2/9/25 - now	94.1%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y6 are in the lead with 96.6% attendance and Y5 are now

in 2nd place!

At the end of the year, in July 2026, the class with the highest record of attendance will win a non-school uniform day!

The Wednesday Word "Those who trust in God can do all things." St Alphonsus Liguori

Being a trustworthy person and also knowing who to trust is really important. Ask your child what the word 'trustworthy' means to them. A friend who can be trusted is a gift from God! Who are the most trustworthy friends in your child's life and why do they trust them? What do their friends do which shows they are trustworthy? Perhaps you can tell your child about those people in your life whom you trust the most, and say why they are trustworthy.

We can show God and others that we are trustworthy by making the most of our gifts – to make the world a better place. In this coming week, what can each one of us do to show that we are trustworthy people? Perhaps we can: be generous with our Godgiven gifts of time, talent and money; always try to tell the truth; say our daily prayers asking God to guide us to do the right thing; keep our promises.

https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/self-giving?pid=MTAl01634&v=183.6

Snacks in School: FRIUT ONLY

The NHS School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme provides a piece of free fruit/vegetable to every infant child, each school day as a morning snack. The scheme provides 1 of the children's 5 a day portions and aims to encourage healthy eating habits that can be carried into later life. Fruit for the children in the juniors is not provided and is not included in the scheme. Therefore, the children in the juniors need to bring their own fruit or vegetables for snack time. The children can only bring fruit or vegetables for their morning snack

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 www.eadmissions.org.uk

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 or visit www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmission 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 Friday 31st October 2025. Applications received after 31st 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 Monday 8th December 2025 at the latest.

For further information about the secondary school application process please read the "A Guide to Secondary Education in Barnet 2026" which can be found here:

https://www.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/024681 bc4 927 - guide to secondary 2026 final 1.pdf



Reception	Ravi for settling so well into Reception and
	tackling everything with a smile on his face.
	Anil for working so hard and trying her best in
	Reception class .
Year 1	Radman for showing fantastic understanding of
	numbers to 10 by using Numicon shapes with
	confidence and creativity.
	Dara for using the tricky words to write her own
	amazing sentences.
Year 2	Kayden for showing fantastic perseverance in
	Maths this week.
	Erin for working hard in all areas of the
	curriculum.
Year 3	Gabbie for being an enthusiastic, curious learner.
	Eva for using fantastic vocabulary in Maths
	lessons.
Year 4	Zoe for having a go at writing a biography on
	Julius Caesar and remembering the features.
	Narvin for being kind and considerate during our
	swimming session this week.
Year 5	Radek for always putting outstanding effort into
	his work and showing excellent focus in every
	lesson.
	Ted for showing a consistently positive attitude
	and always trying his hardest in everything he
	does.
Year 6	Armanis for his brilliant attitude towards his
	learning, and for his continued independence.
	Emily for her excellent enthusiasm and
	dedication in Maths - keep it up, Emily!
"	The Golden Ticket Winners are:
Avina Y3	
Esther Y4	
Dates for your diary	
	

	-
Tues 22 nd Sept	9.30am/1.30pm and 7pm Prospective parent tour
Wed 24 th Sept	Y5 trip to Petrie Museum
Thurs 25 th Sept	$3.30\mbox{pm}$ 2026 Y6 residential trip meeting for current Y5 parents
Fri 26 th Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Mon 29 th Sept	Y3 trip to Hampstead Heath
Wed 1 st Oct-Fri 3 rd	Oct Y6 Residential Trip to Grosvenor Hall
Wed 1 st Oct	Y1 trip to London Transport Museum
Fri 3 rd Oct	Y1 and Y2 attending 10am Mass at St. Philips
Fri 17 th Oct	Y5 and Y6 attending 10am Mass at St. Philips
Wed 22 nd Oct	Y6 trip to National History Museum
Thur 23 rd Oct	The Friend's Halloween Disco
Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st	October Half Term
Mon 3 rd Nov	School closed for children
Tues 4 th Nov	Children return to school
Tues 4 th Nov	Flu vaccinations for Rec-Y6
Wed 5 th Nov	Online Teacher Parent Consultations
Thurs 6 th Nov	Photographer for individual pupil photos

Online Teacher Parent Consultations

Wed 12th Nov

*New dates in bold



Bishop Douglass

Autumn Events 2025

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Open Evening and Curriculum Showcase. Register your place for these events via our school website!

OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 23rd September 5:30-7:00pm

Tour the school and join us for Headteacher speeches at 5:45pm or 6.45pm. Everyone is welcome!

CURRICULUM SHOWCASE

Thursday 16th October 4:15-5:45pm

Join us for an afternoon of taster lessons and exciting activities for both parents and pupils to enjoy. This is open to all Year 5 and 6 pupils and their families.

In Pursuit of Excellence

Why choose Bishop Douglass?

- Exceptional exam progress at both GCSE and A Level
- A bespoke and personalised curriculum, study and playground areas for Year 7
- An unrivalled extra-curricular programme; international, national and local
- An outstanding transition and induction programme for all new Year 7s
- Subsidised music lessons and creative arts clubs
- Philanthropy, volunteering and charity opportunities based on our strong ethos and values
- A thriving and popular Sixth Form with an unprecedented number of students achieving places at Russell Group universities
- E-learning in every classroom and 24-hour access to the curriculum through our Virtual Learning Environment
- A remarkable alumni where former students have achieved success in all walks of life





Bishop Douglass School, Hamilton Road, East Finchley, London, N2 0SQ 020 8444 5211 • schooladmin@bishopdouglass.barnet.sch.uk • ⊠ bdfinchley

