



**We learn together, we play together, we pray together,
we grow together in the love of God**

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AUTUMN TERM 2025
Friday 21st November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Travelling Book Fair this week. We sold a large number of books; today is the book fair's last day. We will let you know how much money this has raised for the school, in next week's newsletter.

Could I please ask all parents to avoid distracting staff when they are dismissing children at the end of the day. If you have something to would like to talk to the class teacher about, please wait until the children have been dismissed or make an appointment via the school office.

Over the past couple of months, the children in Y1-Y6 have been practising a choreographed routine and will be performing it to the rest of the school next Friday (28th November) at 9.15am. All parents are warmly invited to attend this Dance Festival. The best routine will go on to represent St. Theresa's at the Barnet Schools' Dance Festival in March; I hope to see many of you there.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

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.

Applications for Reception September 2026

Applications are invited for the **Reception Class** for **September 2026** – this is for children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022. The deadline to return this to the school office is 15th January 2026. 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/>

Applications for Nursery January 2026

Applications are invited for the new **Nursery** for January 2026 (this is for children who are 3 by 31st December 2025). Children who will be 3 by 31st March 2026 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/2025/10/Nursery-School-Application-Form-2025-2026.pdf>
Please return your completed application forms to the school office.

NEWS from the FRIENDS

Dear Parents and Carers,
As we approach the festive season, the Friends of St Theresa's are busy planning and preparing for our Annual Christmas Jingle Mingle, taking place on Wednesday 10th December, 6–8pm in the School Hall.

As with every year, we kindly ask for your support by providing donations for the event. Please find the class donation list below. We would be grateful if all donations could be placed in the classroom boxes by Monday 8th December at pick-up.

If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the Friends team or your class reps.

Thank you so much for your continued support, The Friends

Parent Governor Vacancies

The Governing Body currently has a vacancy for one parent governors. Governors play a key role in the leadership of the school and raising of standards including the appointment of key staff, overseeing the budget and monitoring progress in the curriculum. Being a governor can be very rewarding; don't worry if you have no experience as full training and support is available from the Local Authority and your colleagues on the Governing Body. If you are interested please complete the nomination forms that were sent out to parents on 22nd September, or please feel free to come and speak to me.

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

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

Period	Whole school attendance
From 2/9/25 - now	96%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y5 are now in the lead with 97.5% attendance and Y1 are still 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

“Do not doubt, do not hesitate, never despair of the mercy of God.” *St Isidore of Seville*

Mercy is a virtue. Ask your child what the word ‘mercy’ means to them. You may want to share with your child what the word ‘mercy’ means to you. Ask your child who they know to be a ‘merciful’ person.

Can you or your child remember a time when you have been merciful – when you gave someone another chance?

Each time we show ‘mercy’, we open ourselves to receive mercy from God. Being compassionate, being patient with others even if we are being treated unfairly, forgiving others (even if we feel they don’t deserve forgiveness), sometimes giving people more than they deserve, these are just some ways of showing mercy. Is there someone to whom you could show mercy? Each of you choose one way in which you will try to show mercy at home, at school or in the community in this coming week.

<https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/faithfulness?pid=MTA101634&v=189.2>

The Friends of
St Theresa's School



Class Donations

We're very excited that our Christmas Jingle Mingle is approaching!

Wednesday 10 December 2025: 6pm – 8pm

Every year we ask parents / carers to support our fundraising efforts by contributing specific items to our events. It is the continued generosity of the St Theresa's parents / carers that helps us reach our fundraising targets and ensure that our children have enriched learning experiences at St Theresa's.

Please see below the items selected for your child's class. If you are unsure what is required, please ask your class representative.

CLASS	DONATION REQUIRED
Reception	Sweets
Year 1	Lucky Dip Items (pencils, rubbers, rulers etc)
Year 2	Sweets
Year 3	Lucky Dip Items (pencils, rubbers, rulers etc)
Year 4	Sweets
Year 5	Lucky Dip Items (pencils, rubbers, rulers etc)
Year 6	Lucky Dip Items (pencils, rubbers, rulers etc)

All donations should be handed into your classroom by

Monday 8th December 2025

Reception	Simi for super attitude towards your work this week. Nathan E for making great progress since starting Reception in all aspects of your learning. Nathan is amazing at phonics and is already about to write short sentences.
Year 1	Radman for working hard and showing fantastic progress in Phonics Dara for working carefully and showing brilliant Maths thinking.
Year 2	Nicolas for showing good behaviour for learning in lessons. Doruk for being a helpful member of the class and persevering in Maths.
Year 3	Karin for being a 'Have a Go Mo' and trying hard in English lessons. Jakub for creating a creative flip book and following instructions first time.
Year 4	Allan for making a great effort in his maths learning this week and showing understanding of working out the area of a shape. Cataleya for having a Go Mo this week in her English learning and trying to extend her sentences.
Year 5	Gabriela for contributing more in lessons and showing enthusiasm during our carol practice. Sofia for showing a positive attitude towards her learning. Sofia is showing resilience and determination!
Year 6	Lydia for beginning to make an effort to join in with more class discussions. Natan for making an effort with staying on track and ignoring distractions.

*The Golden Ticket Winners are:
Kaci (Y3) & Theo (Y3)*

Dates for your diary

Mon 24 th Nov	Y2 at Moss Hall Infants for Music Festival
Fri 28 th Nov	*9.15am Y1-Y6 Dance Festival
Wed 10 th Dec	2 nd session Flu Vaccinations
Wed 10 th Dec	*6pm-8pm Friends' Jingle Mingle
Fri 12 th Dec	9.30am Infant Christmas Show
Mon 15 th Dec	6pm Y5 Carol Concert
Wed 17 th Dec	School Christmas Lunch and Xmas Jumper Day
Thurs 18 th Dec	Class Party Day
Fri 19 th Dec	Last day of term 1pm finish
Tues 6 th Jan	Children return to school
Tues 6th Jan	*2.15pm Whole school Mass to celebrate Epiphany (please note new time)
Fri 16 th Jan	Y1 and Y2 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Fri 23 rd Jan	Y2 trip to Tower of London
Fri 23 rd Jan	Y3 and Y4 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Fri 30 th Jan	Y5 and Y6 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Wed 4th Feb	Year 3 trip to Pizza Express Highgate

***New dates in bold**

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

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

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 **5 or 6-session online training course**, covering topics including:

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

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

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

**BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents and Carers.
Spring Term 2026 One, A 6-session evening course.**

Dates and times:

- Wednesday 7th January 6.00-7.30pm
- Wednesday 14th January 6.00-7.30pm
- Wednesday 21st January 6.00-7.30pm
- Wednesday 28th January 6.00-7.30pm
- Wednesday 4th February 6.00-7.30pm
- Wednesday 11th February 6.00-7.30pm

Sign up form here: [BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents And Carers, Jan. & Feb. 2026. Sign-up form. - Fill in form](#)

**BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents and Carers.
Spring Term 2026 Two, A 5-session morning course.**

Dates and times:

- Monday 23rd February 10-11.30am
- Monday 2nd March 10-11.30am
- Monday 9th March 10-11.30am
- Monday 16th March 10-11.30am
- Monday 23rd March 10-11.30am

Sign up form here: [BACPAC: Barnet Autism Course for Parents And Carers, Feb. & March 2026. Sign-up form. - Fill in form](#)

For any enquiries please email Autism.Team@barnet.gov.uk with 'BACPAC course' as the subject, thanks.

SEND & Inclusion are delighted to offer:

Autism: Supporting Autistic Pupils – A Toolkit of Strategies:

Monday 5th January, Monday 13th April 2026.

Who should attend:

- Staff who have not attended autism training previously/recently - this is a first course for beginners (Please only sign-up to one of these sessions per person).
- LSAs and teachers wanting hands on strategies to use in the classroom.
- It is also suitable for staff wanting to refresh their knowledge and understanding.
- Please note this is the same training that was delivered Sept. 2024 & Jan./Sept. 2025.
- Please only sign-up to **one of these sessions per person**.

Outline/Objectives:

This short online course is designed to help staff understand what kind of support Autistic children and young people need in the classroom. It comprises of a basic overview of Autistic pupil's experiences in school, based on the information from Autistic people, including autism researchers. We will also sign post you to videos, books, and blogs by Autistic advocates.

The strategies are **primary focussed** but secondary colleagues are welcome to join.

Tool kit:

The Tool kit part of the training introduces some interventions that are commonly used to support Autistic children in school. We will also sign post you to further resources.

Lived Experience Talk:

A short talk about the personal experiences of an Autistic adult.

Leads: BELS Autism Advisory Team (Primary).

Dates: Monday 5th January 2026 or
Monday 13th April 2026

Time: 09:30am - 12:00pm

Format: These are remote training sessions, via Zoom

Provider: SEND & Inclusion

Charges: Free to all Barnet maintained/free/academy schools.

To book: [Autism: Supporting Autistic Pupils - A Toolkit of Strategies, January/April 2026 – Fill in form](#)

The council is committed to providing equality of opportunity for all. If you have any needs (for example, access, hearing loop, large print handouts, signing, tape recorders, etc) please telephone the Traded Services Business Support Team on (020) 8359 6306/6325/6341 to discuss your needs.

Closing Date: For January 2026 sessions Friday 2nd January 6pm.

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2025 DECEMBER Camp

Childcare Vouchers Accepted

Monday 22nd December - Tuesday 23rd December

MOSS HALL JUNIOR SCHOOL (Multi-Sports)
NETHER STREET, WEST FINCHLEY, N3 1NR

MILLBROOK PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL (Football, Dance & Multi Activity)
SCHOOL HOUSE LANE, MILL HILL, NW7 1JF

Times
9AM - 4PM
10AM - 3PM

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