



**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 28<sup>th</sup> November**

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Travelling Book Fair last week; it made £1131.56! This is a tremendous amount of money – thank you.

Therefore, a grand total of £565.78 will be donated to the school - from Scholastic Books - to spend on books for the children.

On Monday morning, our Y2 pupils participated in the Infant Music Festival at Moss Hall Infant School, where they sang a range of songs along with pupils from Our Lady of Lourdes, Summerside and Moss Hall Infants schools. I would like to say thank you to all the adults who supported this trip.

Thank you to all the parents who came to watch the Dance Festival this morning. Congratulations to all the children and the staff who have been preparing the pupils for this event. The winners are . . . Y6! They will represent St. Theresa's at the Barnet Schools' Dance Festival, at the Arts Depot, in March next year – well done.

Have a lovely weekend.

Barbara Costa

### Applications for Reception September 2026

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

Can you believe it's December next week? It's time to dust off the decorations, dig out those festive jumpers, and get ready for St Theresa's Christmas Jingle Mingle!

The countdown is officially on for our biggest school event of the year, just two weeks to go! We're looking forward to coming together for a joyful celebration filled with festive cheer, community spirit, and plenty of sparkle.

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 still 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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	95.8%

Class with highest attendance to date - Y5 are now in the lead with 97.6% attendance and Y1 are still in 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

“It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in each one of us memories of goodness.” *Pope Benedict XVI*

Advent helps us get ready for Christmas and reminds us that God loves us so much that he sent his only Son, Jesus, into our world. Ask your child what else they know about Advent. What do they like best about this season which leads up to Christmas? Advent is an opportunity to be spiritually refreshed and helps us get ready for Christmas. You may want to share with your child what you know and like best about the season of Advent.

Advent is a time to make an extra effort to be more loving towards God and our neighbours. As a family, how can you prepare well through Advent – to ‘stay awake’, to be ready to welcome Jesus? Perhaps you can: always try to be fair, honest, generous and ready to go out of our way to help anyone who is in need; be a peacemaker; put up a crib, Advent wreath and Advent calendar; make a special effort to let other family members know how much you love them – through your words and actions.

<https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/advent?pid=MTA101634&v=191.3>



<b>Reception</b>	<b>Barok</b> for impressing me with his attitude to learning and his writing has been amazing! Keep up the good work. <b>Ravi</b> for working so hard on counting and initial sounds. I've been so proud of your this week, keep it up!
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Whole Class</b> for their hard work, dedication and effort in preparing for their dance competition.
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Leni</b> for excellent singing at the Music Festival. <b>Whole Class</b> for performing at the Music Festival with confidence, teamwork and enthusiasm.
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Thalia</b> for your excellent attitude towards learning your spellings and times tables. <b>Lucy</b> for engaging in our class learning about the Jesse Tree.
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Daniel C</b> for his excellent progress in learning the $\times 3$ , $\times 6$ , and $\times 9$ times tables this week <b>Helenka</b> for making a great effort in reading texts and understanding how to answer questions.
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Whole Class</b> for putting lots of effort into the dance and showing enthusiasm and motivation to do their best.
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Natan</b> for being an excellent team player and taking challenge in his stride. <b>Malaika</b> for her positive attitude towards her work and for responding to feedback well.
<b>The Golden Ticket Winners are:</b> <i>Florence (Y1)</i> <i>Asante (Y3)</i>	

### 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.



### 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 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

### Dates for your diary

Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2 <sup>nd</sup> session Flu Vaccinations
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	*6pm-8pm Friends' Jingle Mingle
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am Infant Christmas Show
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6pm Y5 Carol Concert
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Lunch and Xmas Jumper Day
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Class Party Day
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term 1pm finish
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Children return to school
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	*2.15pm Whole school Mass to celebrate Epiphany (please note new time)
<b>Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Y4 trip to Apple Store Brent Cross</b>
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y1 and Y2 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Y2 trip to Tower of London
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Y3 and Y4 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y5 and Y6 attending 10am Mass at St. Philip's
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> 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 Cygnets Course.

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

**Dates and times:**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 6.00-7.30pm  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 6.00-7.30pm  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 6.00-7.30pm  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 6.00-7.30pm  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 6.00-7.30pm  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 10-11.30am  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 10-11.30am  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 10-11.30am  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 10-11.30am  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 enquires please email [Autism\\_Team@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:Autism_Team@barnet.gov.uk) with 'BACPAC course' as the subject, thanks.

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**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

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**SEND & Inclusion are delighted to offer:**

**Autism: Supporting Autistic Pupils – A Toolkit of Strategies:**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 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).
- LSA's 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 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 or  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> January 6pm.

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