

# St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God

## Skipping Day

Last Thursday, Miss Gibbon led our annual 'Skipping Day'. The results were:

Reception: 1st - Tazain, 2nd - Mia, 3rd - Baajveer Year 1: 1st - Tarjae, 2nd - Remy, 3rd - Ava

Year 2: 1<sup>st</sup> - Lacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Avani, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ruth

Year 3: 1<sup>st</sup> - T'nae, 2<sup>nd</sup> - America, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kinga

Year 4: 1<sup>st</sup> - Rosa, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Adan, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Samuel Year 5: 1<sup>st</sup> - Aleiba, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sharla, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Hebron

Year 6: 1<sup>st</sup> - Naomi, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Aryan, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Shiloh Staff: 1<sup>st</sup> - Miss Bennett, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Miss Gibbon, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs Higgins

Thank you to Miss Gibbon for organising this event.

#### Caritas Christi In Urbe Citizenship Award

Since March the Year 5 and Year 6 children have been participating in the 'Caritas Christi Catholic Citizenship Award' based on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. On Tuesday evening, there was there is a presentation event for the four children from each of the Caritas Christi In Urbe schools who have the most examples of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit recorded in their booklets. This event was at St John Wall School. The children who received a gold medal were; Honey, Shaina, Beneice, Clevette and Kristabella. Congratulations to these children for being the highest achieving children since March and representing the school at this event. Thank you to Mrs Byrne for taking the children to the awards evening. Congratulations also to Ben and Gerrard for achieving a silver medal and to Aliya, Mekhi, Milen, Thinh and Aaron for achieving a bronze medal.

## Positive Relationships

On Thursday afternoon, the Safeguarding leading staff from eight Caritas Christi In Urbe schools were at St. Teresa's for a meeting. At that meeting a group of Year 6 children led presentations about the 'Positive Relationships' programme that they have been part of this term. The visiting staff were very impressed with Dinari, Thinh, Daejon, Lee, Anna, Janae and Hafsa.

## Summer Production

This week we have had two performances of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' which finished late in the evening. There has been an immense amount of planning, organising and hard work from the adults and the children that were involved. Thank you to the parents and carers who worked with their children learning their words and the songs and getting the children to the performances. Thank you to the dedicated and talented staff and who put so much time and effort into the wonderful production. Thank you to the children themselves who showed how talented, confident and brilliant they truly are. You are all stars! A special mention for Mrs Higgins who has produced and directed these performances; her last at St. Teresa's School.

## Woodwind recital

This afternoon, Mrs Lord led a recital performed by the children she has been working with this year. Thank you to Mrs Lord and the children for sharing their talents.

## Annual School Reports

The children have been given their annual school report today. This has been given to the children in a sealed envelope for you, as the parent or carer to open. Included in the report is a sheet inviting you and your child to comment on the report. Please return these comment sheets to school by Wednesday 18th July.

## Bag for Books

Next week could each child bring a strong plastic bag or similar to take their exercise books home in. Some books will be kept as examples of good practice should Ofsted or any other relevant agency wish to see evidence of the curriculum.

#### Open Afternoon

There will be an Open afternoon for parents/carers on Monday 16th July, starting at 2.00 p.m. and continuing to 4.00 p.m. Please come to the entrance by the school office and you will be able to go to see your child's 'workplace'. Children may leave with their parent/carer prior to 3.20 p.m. All children are to be collected at 3.20 p.m. as usual, even if you plan to visit your child's class after that time.

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Next week is the final week in school for Year 6. They are on their final class visit on Tuesday, the Leavers' Party is on Wednesday evening, the class are leading the final Mass of the school year on Thursday morning and there is planned to be a Staff v Year 6 Rounders match on Thursday afternoon. Year 6 are leading most of the final school assembly of the year on Friday. All of this is on top of the 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' performances and receiving their Key Stage 2 SATs results, of which they should be very proud, with their reports today.

#### Toy Day

Next Friday, Years 1 to 6 may bring in, at their own risk, toys for a 'Toy Day'. Children are not allowed to bring a device that requires headphones. Any toys or games that children bring in are on the understanding that it is at the owner's risk. I advise not bringing in valuable or fragile items. There are other plans for the children in Reception to have a lovely last day of term.

#### Review of the Year 2017 - 2018

With this newsletter is a form requesting your views about this year at school. Please return the completed sheets to the school office by the end of next week.

## School dinners

The new school menu choices are on our school website (www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk), click on 'Parents and Carers Information' then click on 'School Dinners' and scroll down the page. It will be Week 1 of the rota next week.

### Top Table

Children are chosen from a year group each week to eat at the Top Table for a range of positive behaviours or work. The children selected to eat at the Top Table this week are they Year 5 Playleaders and dinner monitors. These children joined Mrs Lal for lunch today.

## Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to Year 1 who were the best attending class last week with 99.3% attendance. The overall school attendance last week was 95.9%. Congratulations to the most punctual class last week which was also Year 1 with no children late all week. In total, children were late twenty seven times last week.

## Dates for the Diary.

- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Open afternoon for parents and carers.
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 visit to Jump Xtreme, Tamworth.
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Year 6 Leavers' Party.
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 9.00 a.m. End of school year mass in school.
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 3.20 p.m. End of academic year.
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September Start of the new academic year for the children.

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