



# St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019

## *Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God*

### **New Reception children in school**

On Monday morning, the children of the new Reception class for September were in school. They had an opportunity to meet their teachers and have some time in their new classroom. Thank you to our Year 6 house captains and vice-captains; Hebron, Jay, Gerrard, Ruqqaya, Hassan, Prabjot and Luca for leading the parents and carers of the new Reception class children on a tour of the school.

### **Year 1 visit to the Butterfly Farm**

On Monday, Year 1 visited the Butterfly Farm in Stratford-upon-Avon. The children had a wonderful day. Photographs of the visit are the first item on the Year 1 page of the school website. Thank you to Miss Goupilliere, Miss Foster, Mrs Ashraf and Miss Khalid for taking the children on this visit.

### **Birmingham Catholic Primary Schools' Athletics**

On Monday afternoon, the school competed at the Birmingham Catholic Primary Schools' Athletics event at Alexander Stadium. St. Teresa's School was represented by; Sukhjeevan, Gianna, Lacey, Ikjap, Kinga, T'nae, Chiaku, Sam, Sukhsimran, Nikola, Uyen-Thi, Malakai, Diego, Luca, Z'kea, Aleiba and Tajah. Luca reached the final of the Year 6 Boys' Sprint finishing sixth. Thank you to Miss Foster, Mrs Byrne and Miss Gibbon who looked after the team with me. Thank you also to the parents who attended for their support.

### **Class photographs**

On Wednesday morning, the children had end of year class photographs taken. These photographs will shortly be available for you to buy.

### **Wednesday Word**



The Wednesday Word sheet was given to the Junior children earlier this week. Please do make time to consider the theme of 'Nourish' from this weekend's gospel.

### **Secondary Transfer Meeting**

Thank you to the parents/carers of Year 5 and Year 4 children who attended the meeting on Wednesday afternoon in preparation for applications for secondary school places for September 2019 for the current Year 5 children.

### **Mass at School**

Thank you to those children from the Junior classes who led the readings at the school mass yesterday morning. Thank you to Pavneet for managing the technical systems, to Rosa, Gabriel, Ewa and Zofia for serving, and to Ben and Umayer who were ushers, to Year 4 for signing the Hail Mary and all who contributed to the Mass.

### **School dinners**

The school menu choices are on our school website ([www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk](http://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 from Year 1. They are; Josh, Tyler, Fariha, Tazain, Edward, Eesa and Samar-Hayat. These children joined Miss Gibbon for lunch today.

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Well done to Reception who were the best attending class for the last week, with a 99.3% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class for last week, which was Year 2, with two children late during the week.

### **ParentPay**

ParentPay went live from Monday. Thank you to those parents/carers who have activated their accounts. Please do activate your account using the information forwarded to you prior to the Whitsun break. If you have mislaid the information, please contact the school office. The school will continue to accept cash payments at this time.



Love one another.

## The Catholic Pupil Profile Virtues

This half term the two Virtues that are to be a focus for us and the other Catholic schools in the archdiocese of Birmingham are to be 'intentional' and 'prophetic'.

**Intentional:** planning our actions and choosing to live how God wants us to.

Every action we make has an impact on other people and the world around us. If we live intentionally, we listen to our conscience and deliberately decide that the actions we take will have a positive impact. We use the earth's resources wisely, think about the choices we make, and care for God's creation.

**Prophetic:** spreading the word of God through how we live our lives.

As we choose to act intentionally and make good decisions, we encourage others to do the same. We set a good example through our words and deeds and inspire other people to act in a positive and wise way. We help people to make the right decisions themselves and think about how God wants them to live their lives.



## Term Dates 2019-2020

St. Teresa's School's term dates for next academic year, for the children, are:

### Autumn Term 2019:

*Monday 2nd September to Friday 25th October and Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December.*

*(Monday 2nd September is a Teacher Training Day. The children will return to school on Tuesday 3rd September. Friday 13th September is a Teacher Training Day).*

### Spring Term 2020:

*Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February and Monday 24th February to Thursday 9th April.*

*(Monday 6th January is a Teacher Training Day. The children will return to school on Tuesday 7th January).*

### Summer Term 2020:

*Monday 20th April to Friday 22nd May and Monday 8th June to Friday 17th July.*

## Baby Veeraj

Belated congratulations to Abhijay and his family on the birth of Abhijay's brother; Veeraj on 18th May. Abhijay is very proud of the new addition.

## Dates for the Diary

- Thursday 27th June - Year 4 visit to Cadbury World.
- Friday 28th June at 9.00 a.m. - Reception Class Assembly.
- Tuesday 2nd July at 1.15 p.m. - Junior Sports Day.
- Wednesday 3rd June - Transition Day at their secondary schools for most of Year 6.
- Wednesday 3rd July - Year 3 visit to the Botanical Gardens.
- Wednesday 3rd July at 1.30 p.m. - Infant Sports Day.
- Thursday 4th July at 9.00 a.m. - Mass in school. All are welcome.
- Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th July at 7.00 p.m. - Summer Production
- Friday 12th July - School closed for Caritas Christi In Urbe schools staff training day.
- Thursday 18th July at 9.00 a.m. - Leavers' mass in school.
- Friday 19th July at 9.00 a.m. - Leavers' Assembly.
- Friday 19th July at 3.20 p.m. - End of the academic year.

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