



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 6th October 2017

Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to those parents and children who contributed the cakes and biscuits which were sold last Friday morning and after school on Friday. Thank you to Mrs Robinson, our school secretary for many years, who came back to school to help with the Coffee Morning and to the Year 6 children who stayed after school last Friday to manage the after school cake sales. The total raised for this worthwhile cause is £434.04.

Reunion for Kingswood Activity Centre group

On Tuesday afternoon a small group of children; Teneve, Malakai, O'Shae and Sam A, accompanied by Miss Goupilliere, joined children and staff from Caritas Christi In Urbe schools; our family of local Catholic schools, for a reunion following their recent visit to Kingswood Activity Centre in Staffordshire. Thank you to Miss Goupilliere for taking the children to this event.

Rosary Group

As October is the month of the Rosary, there is an opportunity to pray a decade of the Rosary at the end of each lunchtime. All of the children are invited to come for prayer. The Rosary Group is led by children from Year 6 working in pairs starting from Monday lunchtime. Thank you to Hafsa, Chad, Clevette, Beneice, Olivia, Think, Eva and Janae who led the Rosary groups this week.

Confirmandi visit to St. Chad's Cathedral

Today, the children in Year 5 and Year 6 who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on 8th March 2018 visited St. Chad's Cathedral as part of their preparation. Thank you to Miss Shirley, Mrs Lamb and Mrs Carbery for taking the children on this visit.

Parents' and Carers' Evening letters

Earlier this week you should have received the reply slip informing you of your Parents' Evening appointments on Tuesday 10th or Wednesday 11th October. If you have not yet returned your appointments slip please do so on Monday. Please contact school if you require another copy of the appointment letter. Due to the Parents' Evening there will not be a Zumba and Fitness After School session on Wednesday next week.

Photographs

On Friday, 13th October, the school photographer will be in school. If you have a pre-school aged child and would like a photograph of him or her with your children who are at school please come to the school office from 8.30 a.m. If you do not wish your child or children to have photographs taken please inform the school in writing.

School dinners

The menu choices for the school dinners are on the school website. Go to www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk, click on 'Parents and Carers Information' then click on 'School Dinners' and scroll down the page. Next week is Week 1 of the rota.

Scholastic Book Club

The children should have received a leaflet for the Scholastic book club today. The closing date for all orders is Thursday 12th October. In addition to returning orders to the office, online orders can be placed at <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-teresas-b20>



Mrs Guest

Harvest Festival



There will be a Harvest Mass on Thursday 19th October at 9.00 a.m. to which all are invited. We are asking for donations of packets and tins of foods to be made from next week. When you are shopping you may put an extra packet or tin in your trolley in readiness for this collection. The items donated will be forwarded to a food bank for distribution to those in need.

Foundation Governors

The Birmingham Diocesan Education Service is inviting applications from practising Catholics who would be interested in being appointed as a Foundation Governor at one of their schools. If this is of interest to you, or anyone that you know, please contact Rebecca Tonks at the D.E.S. on 01675 464755 ext110 or r.tonks@bdes.org.uk.

Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to Year 4 who were the best attending class last week with a 99.7% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class last week which was Reception.

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 4. Well done to Michael, Uyen-Thi, Karam, Cassia, Chiaku and Sam who joined Miss Gibbon for lunch today.

Karam the Hero.

Last week we were told about Karam's recent heroics when his mother fell and sustained injuries to both legs including a broken ankle. With no other adults present it was Karam who made the 999 call and calmly got the ambulance for his mother. What a hero!



Dates for the Diary

Monday 9th October at 4.00 p.m. - School football team to play St. Patrick's School and St. Edmund's School at Wood Lane fields.

Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th October - Parents' Evenings.

Thursday 12th October - Closing date for Scholastic Book orders to be returned

Friday 13th October - Individual and Family photographs.

Tuesday 17th October from 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. and Thursday 19th October from 1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. - Open day for parents and carers of children considering applying for a place in the Reception class of September 2018.

Wednesday 18th October at 2.00 p.m. - Handsworth Fire Service visit to Year 4.

Thursday 19th October at 9.00 a.m. - Harvest Mass at school. Please donate goods from Monday 9th October onwards.

Thursday 19th October at 3.30 p.m. - Phonics Meeting for Year 1 parents and carers.

Friday 20th October - End of the first half of the Autumn Term.

Monday 30th October - Start of the second half of the Autumn term.

Tuesday 31st October - Applications for secondary schools for current Year 6 children to be completed at <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>.

Best wishes,

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