



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 29th June 2018

Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God

Year 5 visit to the National Space Centre

On Monday, Year 5 visited the National Space Centre in Leicester. The children had a very informative and educational day. The behaviour was, as one would expect, exemplary. Thank you to Mrs Lal, Miss Siddique and Mrs Lamb for taking the children on this visit.

Year 1 visit to the Butterfly Farm

On Tuesday, Year 1 visited the Butterfly Farm in Stratford-upon-Avon. The children had a wonderful day, with fabulous weather. The message that I had was that they didn't want to come back! Thank you to Miss Goupilliere, Miss Foster, Mrs Keogh and Miss Anderson for taking the children on this visit.

Wednesday Word



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

Class photographs

On Wednesday, you should have received information and for most classes proof copies of your child's class photographs. Any orders are to be made by Thursday 5th July.

We are Year 2 Get Us Out of Here!

Yesterday, the children in the Infant classes looked fabulous in their Australian Jungle themed clothing. Year 2 organised themed trails and activities for Reception and Year 1. I don't think I can bring myself to describe some of the bowls of contents that the children were putting their hands into! Thank you to Year 2, Mrs Byrne, Mrs Dignan and Mrs Cooper for organising this event for the Infant children.

Year 5 Parents'/Carers'

Thank you to the parents/carers of Year 5 children who attended either or both of two meetings held yesterday afternoon. The second meeting was also open to Year 4 parents/carers. The first meeting considered the 'Growing Up' puberty programme to be shared with the Year 5 children. The second meeting was in preparation for applications for secondary school places for September 2019.

Safeguarding

Just before 9.00am yesterday morning a child from a local primary school, walking to school, was approached by a silver taxi and asked to get in. The child did not and continued to school. The police have been informed. Please inform the police of any suspicious incidents and then let school know. This information was shared with Year 5 and Year 6 children yesterday as some make their own way to and from school.

St. Peter and St. Paul's feastday.

This morning, children in Years 2 to 6 walked to church for mass at 10.00 a.m. to celebrate the feastday of St. Peter and St. Paul. Fr. David is developing the church building, including replacing the windows. Each new window will cost £1,000, with donations of £250 being requested. Therefore, children in all classes were invited to wear their own clothes today. Children were asked for a £1.00 donation. Thank you for the £170.77 which was raised for this cause. Please keep Fr. David in your prayers as tomorrow is the 33rd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Sports Days

On Monday afternoon the intention, providing it is not too hot, is for the Junior Sports Day to take place on the fields accessed via Butlers Road where the Juniors have Games lessons. On Wednesday afternoon the intention is for the Infant classes to have their Sports Day at school. It is intended that at both of these events the parents of Year 6 children will be selling seasonal refreshments, such as tip-tops. The children may bring money on those days and any parents spectating may also bring money. Funds raised are to provide for the Year 6 Leavers' Party.

Secondary Transition Day

On Wednesday next week, the majority of Year 6 children will be at their new secondary schools for a Transition Day. Please keep these children in your prayers at this important time in their lives.

Bag2School

Last week you should have received a Bag2School bag. Please donate any clean unwanted items of clothing either on Thursday 5th July or by 9.00 a.m. on Friday 6th July. The school will receive a cheque based on the weight of the bags donated.

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 3 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 3. They are Abbie, Aden, Ikjap, Victoria, Haris and Karamvir. These children joined Miss Gibbon for lunch today.

Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to Year 5 who were the best attending class last week with a 99.3% attendance. The overall school attendance last week was 96.7%. Congratulations to the most punctual class last week which was Year 3 with no children late all week. In total, children were late seventeen times last week.

Miss Anderson

Today we say goodbye to Miss Anderson who has been working with us this term. We wish Miss Anderson every success in her future career.

Term Dates 2018-2019

The term dates for the next academic year were confirmed at the governing body meeting at the start of this week. These term dates for St. Teresa's School are not the same as Birmingham Local Authority's maintained schools' dates. St Teresa's School's term dates for next academic year are:

Autumn Term 2018:

Monday 3rd September to Friday 26th October and Monday 5th November to Friday 21st December.

(Monday 3rd September is a Teacher Training Day. The children will return to school on Tuesday 4th September).

Spring Term 2019:

Monday 7th January to Friday 15th February and Monday 25th February to Thursday 18th April.

(Monday 7th January is a Teacher Training Day. The children will return to school on Tuesday 8th January).

Summer Term 2019:

Monday 29th April to Friday 24th May and Monday 10th June to Monday 22nd July.

(Friday 12th July is a Teacher Training Day).

The dates of two further Teacher Training Days are to be confirmed.

Dates for the Diary.

- Monday 2nd July at 1.15 p.m. - Junior Sports Day at Wood Lane fields. Parents/carers are welcome.
- Wednesday 4th July at 1.30 p.m. - Infant Sports Day on grassed area by playgrounds. Parents/carers are welcome.
- Thursday 5th July - Class photographs to have been ordered by this date.
- Friday 6th July at 9.00 a.m. - Bag2School collection.
- Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th July at 7.00 p.m. - Summer Production. Tickets - £3.00, on sale from Monday 2nd July.
- Friday 13th July at 2.30 p.m. - Year 4, 5 and 6 woodwind performance. Parents welcome
- Friday 13th July - Annual School Reports to parents/carers.
- Monday 16th July from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. - Open afternoon for parents and carers.
- Tuesday 17th July - Year 6 visit to Jump Xtreme, Tamworth.
- Thursday 19th July at 9.00 a.m. - End of school year mass in school.
- Friday 20th July at 3.20 p.m. - End of academic year.

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