



NEWSLETTER

ST. THERESA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to School, we hope you all enjoyed the holidays. It was lovely to see the children this week looking very smart and full of enthusiasm for the new year.

We extend a warm welcome to our new children and families starting with us this year.

Exciting news!

We have been successful in getting a grant to enable us to extend the school kitchen. This will mean the school dinners will be cooked on site instead of being transported into school everyday, meaning they will be much fresher and appetising.

Work begins on Monday and the kitchen is estimated to be fully operational by mid November. In the mean time dinners will run as normal as we are able to use the parish centre.

The builders will be using part of the car park so please be aware there will be less spaces than normal during this period.

Early Bird Club

St Theresa's run a Breakfast Club for our pupils in the Parent Centre every school day. Children will receive a breakfast of their choice and there is childcare included from the time they are brought in. Children can arrive from 8.00am until 8.15am and they are then escorted to school at 8.40am.

Payment to be made in cash and can be paid either daily or weekly, the price for families is as follows:

First Child £2.00

Two Children £3.00

Three Children £3.50 and 50p for each additional child.

PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school everyday including pumps or trainers. PE kits can be taken home for washing at half term. Please see below a reminder of the appropriate PE Kit as per our Uniform Policy:

- White t-shirt, long enough to tuck into shorts
- Plain black shorts or black tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- For health and safety reasons, no jewellery to be worn

Please ensure your child's name is written into every item of clothing so that if they are misplaced they can be returned to class.

Earrings

Please can everyone be aware that for Health and Safety reasons children are not permitted to wear jewellery to school. However if ears are recently pierced and the earrings cannot be removed they may remain in for a maximum of 6 weeks. **During this time your child cannot participate in PE.**



Dates for the Diary

Tues 10th Sept	All Saints Admissions Advice Session 2.30pm -Year 6
Tues 10th Sept	Mass in Church with Year 4
Wed 16th Oct	Y6 Hollowford Residential
Thurs 24th Oct	Parents Evening from 2pm
Fri 25th Oct	Break up for Half term
Mon 4th Nov	Back to School



Fruit for Junior Children

Don't forget that children in Year 3-6 don't need to bring in their own snack as we are supplying fruit for all children to enjoy at morning break. This is at the request of the junior children and we are happy to do this to encourage our pupils to enjoy a healthier lifestyle.



Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion.

From 6th September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win.

The poster is in Mrs. Windle's room. We would encourage children to come and stick their stickers on the poster.

School Dinners & ParentPay

Just a reminder that as your child has moved into Year 3 they are no longer eligible for a Universal Free School Meal. The cost of a meal is £2.00 per day and should be paid via ParentPay. ParentPay is updated each Friday so parents can check their account and pay the balance due.

You may be entitled to Free School Meals

Please check the Council Website to see if you can claim free school meals. The rules are changing due to Universal credit so even parents earning above £7400.00 may be entitled. Further information can be found at <https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/schools-childcare/school-meals.html>.

Its really quick and easy to check you can either do it online via the link shown above or just pop into the school office with your NI Number and we can submit an application on your behalf, it takes 5 minutes of your time. Even if your child is in years Reception-Year 2 and receives free meals it is still helpful to school if you register because we receive additional funding for each child who is eligible and this money is spent on essential resources. As you know school budgets are tight so any additional funding is gratefully received.

Afterschool Activities

Afterschool permission slips were sent home in July and must be completed and returned by a parent/carer or your child will not be able to attend. Replacement forms can be obtained from the office. **All Afterschool clubs finish at 4.15pm, please collect your child promptly at this time.**

Monday	Y4/5/6 Netball
Monday	Football squad training
Tuesday	Y4/5/6 SUFC Football

Parking on Queen Mary Road

Please do not park on people's drive whilst dropping children off at school. We have had some complaints from home owners that some parents are parking on their drives whilst bringing and collecting children from school. Please be mindful of our neighbours and park appropriately.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a Water bottle in school. They are £1.50 to purchase from the school office or you can bring one from home.



We don't usually print this Newsletter but ask that parents view it on the School APP or the School Website. It is important that all parents download the School APP onto their smart phones and tablets as this is our main method of communication with Parents. If you have the old APP showing the St Theresa's logo you will need to delete this and download the new APP which is called School App for Parents showing this green logo. You can then scroll down and choose St Theresa's.