

ST. TERESA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
**Foundation Autumn Newsletter**



**St Teresa's**

Catholic Primary School

**“DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL”**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Foundation Stage! Miss McFadden is the teacher in the Busy Bees class. Mrs McKinnon and Mrs Andrews are the teachers in the Butterflies class. Miss Tompkin, Miss Poxon, and Mrs Sunley are the Teaching Assistants. We are very excited to be working with you all this year.

**CURRICULUM:**

Our topics this term are 'Who am I?' and 'What is your favourite nursery rhyme?'

Every week we will focus on a question to guide our learning. In our first topic our questions will be: What is my name? What do I look like? Who is in my family? What do I like? Where do I live? Can you name parts of the body? How are we all different?

After half-term we shall be investigating: Who fell down the hill? Who fell off the wall? Where does the spider go?

We would really appreciate if you could talk to your child about these topics.

**READING:**

We aim to develop a love of reading and we hope you encourage your child to foster this. Share lots of stories together. Please read with your child every night and ensure that you write in their organiser once you have read so that we know that they have read at home. Your child needs to bring their reading books to school every day so we can read too. We will also be sending home a list of bear words in the organiser. The children will need to know how to read these by the time they leave Foundation.

**UNIFORM:**

**Please label all of your child's clothes with their name.** Lots of children misplace their jumpers and this ensures that they get them back at the end of the day. Also, please can all PE kits be brought in by Friday at the latest. **All PE kits need to be clearly labelled with a name too.**

**HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

We will be asking for your child to bring items in from home this term to aid their learning.

Please could your child bring in some family photos on 18<sup>th</sup> September so we can make a family tree in school. Also, on 25<sup>th</sup> September we will be sending a star home and we ask that you write one thing that your child does well and one thing that you do together with your child. On 9<sup>th</sup>

October we would like for your children to bring in photos of their baptism as we are starting to look at baptism in this week. Thank you for your help and support, we are looking forward to the

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Reading Workshop**

Please come and join us on 20<sup>th</sup> September Parent's Reading Workshop at 3:15pm. The staff will show you how you can help read with your child at home. This is a really important meeting.

28<sup>th</sup> September - Individual photos.

### **St Teresa's Day**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> October we will celebrate the Feast Day of St Teresa. Children are invited to bring a yellow rose into school.

3rd/4<sup>th</sup> October- Parent's Evenings - An opportunity to meet class teachers to see how your child is settling into school.

### **Parents Breakfast**

5<sup>th</sup> October - Please come and join us at 9.00 to have breakfast with your child. Drop your child off as normal and enter school via the office.

**10<sup>th</sup> October - INSET Day - school closed**

16<sup>th</sup> October- Restart a heart day

### **Choral Speaking**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> October please join us in the hall to hear your child's class poem.

26<sup>th</sup> October- French Friday - More details to follow.

**Half-term - 26<sup>th</sup> October - 5<sup>th</sup> November**

w/c 12<sup>th</sup> November- Anti-bullying week

16<sup>th</sup> November- Children in need day - details to follow

**3<sup>rd</sup> December - INSET Day - school closed**

5<sup>th</sup> December- One Life Day

20<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas dinner and Nativity Play - Please come and watch your child in their Nativity play. Details to follow.

21<sup>st</sup> December - Fitness Friday (Santa run)

### **Break up**

Please contact us if you have any concerns or worries.

Foundation Team

Mrs McKinnon, Mrs Andrews and Miss McFadden