

ST. TERESA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Foundation Newsletter



St Teresa's

Catholic Primary School

"DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL"

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back

CURRICULUM:

Our topics this term are 'How many minibeasts are in our playground?' and 'Where would you like to go on holiday?' Every week we will be looking at a question to guide our learning. In our first topic our questions will be: What can a spider do? What could the ladybird do to be kind? What sounds can you hear? What healthy food could the caterpillar have eaten? What happened to the caterpillar? How many minibeasts can you name? The following half-term we shall be investigating: Which animals live in the zoo? What is happening in the woods? Who lives under the sea? What would you pack for a camping trip? What would you do at the seaside? Who lives in London? We would really appreciate if you could speak to your child about these topics before and as we are progressing through them.

This term we have lots of exciting events planned for the children. We will be going to White Post Farm on Wednesday 2nd May. We will have an 'Ugly bug ball WOW day' in the first half of the term and a 'London WOW day' in the second half of the term. **Please see the list of dates at the end of our letter for key events this term to avoid missing out on these wonderful opportunities.**

READING:

Thank you for your support to complete the children's reading each week. We ask that you continue to read 5 times a week with your children at home. Children who read a minimum of five times a week will be rewarded with a sticker in their personal organiser.

We are grateful for any time you can spare to come into school and read with the children. Please just let your child's class teacher know if you are interested.

UNIFORM:

The children have come back to school looking really smart and we would like this to continue through the year. Please ensure your child only wears brown or black hair bands/clips/bobbles in their hair. Remember **no fashion hair styles** and no earrings. Shaven hair must be a grade 2 or longer. As the weather gets warmer, girls can wear yellow checked summer dresses with white socks. Boys can wear grey shorts in the warmer months too. Also can you make sure they have the

correct P.E. kit in school ready for the exciting lessons we have planned.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Please support your child by reading with them on a daily basis. Asking questions about the story will help to improve your child's comprehension skills. We also encourage parents to continue to learn the 100 high frequency words found in the children's reading diaries.

Encourage your children to go onto Mathematics as much as possible to earn points. This is a fantastic way to develop your child's mathematical skills.

We are looking forward to working with you to support your child during this busy and important year in their lives. Please avoid taking holidays during term time wherever possible as it is very difficult for the children to catch up on the work they have missed.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Busy Bees class assembly – Thursday 26th April at 9.15am

White Post Farm trip – Wednesday 2nd May

Bank holiday – Monday 7th May

Ugly bugs ball – Thursday 17th May

Fitness Friday – Friday 25th May

Half term

Back to school – 4th June

Drumming workshop – 7th June

Teddy Bear's Picnic – 14th June (Bring a teddy to school)

Other faiths week – Week beginning 18th June

One Life – 26th/27th June

London WOW Day – Thursday 12th July

Foundation Sports Day – Monday 16th July

Foundation & KS1 Leavers Assembly- Wednesday 18th July

Last day of term and Fitness Friday – 20th July

Please contact us if you have any concerns or worries.

Foundation Team

Miss Holmes, Mrs McKinnon and Mrs Andrews