

St Teresa's Catholic Academy

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In Liturgy today, following All Saints Day, we continued to think about the Saints and the qualities they have. We have listened to the stories of normal men and women who became Saints because of the brave and dangerous things they did in the name of their faith. As Christians, we are all called to be Saints, not necessarily in such bold ways but by increasingly allowing our daily lives to more closely match our position in Christ and living as his Disciples, proud in our Faith. **'Love the Lord, all you his Saints! The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride.'** (Psalm 31:23)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th November

Inset Day, School closed

7th November

Open Morning for Prospective Parents, 9.30am

7th November

Author Visit for Seuss and Year 1

8th November

Happy Bag Collection

9th November

Year 5 to Ufton Court

14th November

Lewis Class Liturgy, 9.05am

Monday 5th November

Due to our Inset Day on Monday, Yoga and Football will have an extra session at the end of term on the 10th December.

School Ties

We are introducing a new school tie that will help our environment. They look exactly the same as the current tie but have been manufactured using recycled plastic bottles!



Individual Photographs

Everyone should have received their photo proof this week. Please note the deadline to return any orders is Tuesday 13th November. Orders can also be done directly with Braiswicks using their online facility, details of which are on the proof envelope.



Lost Property

We have 4 boxes full of unnamed lost property. As our storage is now at full capacity, if this is unclaimed in the next week we will have to dispose of it. Please always ensure uniform is named as that is the only way it can be returned to it's rightful owner.

Staff News

This announcement comes with mixed emotion as Mrs Cook will be leaving us at the end of this term to go on a 2 term secondment teaching English and Drama at St Crispins. Whilst this is a wonderful opportunity for her and something she has always wanted to do, we will of course miss her but wish her all the very best! I am pleased to let you know we have recruited a very experienced teacher, Mrs Emily Lacey, to take over Lewis Class from January.

As always, St T's is keeping up with the Royals! We are thrilled to announce Mrs Smith is also expecting her first baby in Spring of next year; our heartfelt congratulations to Emilie and Andy on their wonderful news.

Children In Need

Our new School Council have been very busy planning projects and fundraisers for this academic year, kicking off with Children In Need on Friday 16th November – more details to follow very soon!



Welcome back to the busiest half term of the academic year! I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed some quality time together.

Just before we broke up our Seuss classes spent an afternoon harvesting the crops our Gardening Club had planted earlier in the year. We were so impressed with the quantity and variety of vegetables that had grown we invited the rest of the school to come and take a look. It really was one of those wonderful 'awe and wonder' moments that those working with young people have the privilege of witnessing.

We had been back in school 3 days when I experienced another such moment. I received a letter from one of our Year 5 pupils, Nnaedozie, pitching a fundraising idea. Nnaedozie is an incredibly talented artist and as his friends have asked him for copies of drawings he has suggested selling them for 50p to raise funds for our Kunkujang project. This was a wonderful example of one of our pupils demonstrating our SAINTS Beatitudes, using the talents given to him by God to help others. I am incredibly proud of Nnaedozie and have already submitted my order!

With Inset Day on Monday, please enjoy your long weekend as we all gear up towards Christmas.

Best wishes,
Mrs Nikki Peters
Headteacher

