

St Teresa's Catholic Academy

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This morning we learnt about Pier Giorgio Frassati; the extraordinary work he did with the poor and his intense faith. Although he died at a very early age he had committed his time to serving the poor. "Jesus comes to me each day in Holy Communion and I return the visit by going to serve the poor." John Paul II made him a Patron of World Youth Day and called him "The Man of the Beatitudes".

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th March	Year 5 Final Swimming for Spring Term
5th March	WASMA Choir Rehearsal, All Saints, 4pm to 5.30pm
6th March	Ash Wednesday Mass, 11.00am
7th March	World Book Day
13th March	Rosen Class Liturgy, 9am
15th March	Comic Relief Day
18th March	Class Photographs
22nd March	Assessment Reports sent home
27th March	Parents' Evening, 4pm to 7pm
28th March	Parents' Evening, 4pm to 7pm
31st March	WASMA Concert

Safeguarding Spotlight

With safeguarding being such an important part of our daily lives we are introducing this slot on the newsletter to highlight any current issues parents should be aware of. This week we have attached an article entitled "7 questions to help you start a conversation with your child about online safety". I hope you find it useful.

Ash Wednesday

Please note our school Ash Wednesday Mass will be at the later time of 11am at Corpus Christi Church. We hope you will be able to join us.

Staff News

Mrs Smith begins her maternity leave on Friday 8th March; we will miss her but look forward to meeting Baby Smith in the not too distant future. Mrs Cook will be teaching Rowling Class for the remainder of this academic year.

Congratulations to Miss Hines who got engaged over the half term holiday; we wish her and Mark the very best for their future together.

On 8th February Mrs Cossar celebrated 20 years of service at St Teresa's. This is a wonderful achievement and we are all very grateful for all that she has done for our school.

Comic Relief



Our School Council have decided Friday 15th March will be Pyjama Day! Children may wear their pyjamas to school for a donation of at least £1.50. For Health and Safety reasons we ask that children wear normal shoes and not slippers please. There will also be a cake sale after school that day; all donations will be gratefully received!

It's hard to believe it is nearly 2 years since we became an Academy; whilst it may seem as though not much has changed, a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes. I have been working closely with the other Headteachers within our MAT (Multi Academy Trust) and we have lots of exciting plans for the future. Please find attached a newsletter written by our CEO with information about our Trust. Going forward we hope to send a termly update.

Over the past week I have been disappointed to hear that the school has been berated over Social Media. Whilst I appreciate we live in a digital world I firmly believe the appropriate course of action when you have a query or concern is to contact the school directly as we will have the answers you require. I am grateful to the parents who have contacted me to make me aware of these posts as they feel they are inappropriate. They also understand how upsetting these can be when, as a school, every member of staff strives to do their very best for your children at all times.

Our door is always open and our aim is always to have a positive working relationship between school and home. Please, in future, bear this in mind for any future queries as we are here to help.

Best wishes,

Mrs Nikki Peters

Headteacher