

St Teresa of Lisieux Newsletter

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Week Beginning

15th January 2024

Message from Miss Warner

Happy New Year to all our families and staff at school. It has been lovely to see all the children eager to be back into school. Lots of learning has been taking place already. All the children will receive homework again this week so please continue to support your child with this.

Teachers will be sending out class newsletter next week and overviews of the curriculum, if you can please work with your child on this, as it really helps with their learning.

Attendance has been good this week and we would like this to continue. We understand that there are lots of bugs, colds and illnesses out there, but if your child is well enough then they can come to school.

Here are the winners of the raffle who had a special treat with Miss Warner



Diary dates

A full list of diary dates for next term will be available in the next week.

Important Dates

Date for the diary- Parents meeting is Wednesday 7th of February.
School closes at 12.45.

After School Clubs

New after school clubs will be starting this term. Some will start next week and some the week after (W/B 23rd Jan). All children who apply will get the chance to attend throughout the year. The first group will receive a permission letter and the rest of the children will start later on in the term. Below is a list of clubs and days.

Monday

Year 5 and 6 Reading

Year 3 Sports

Tuesday

Year 2 Reading

Year 3 Computing

Year 1 Sports

Reception Lego

Year 4 and 5 Choir

Wednesday

Year 5 and 6 Computing

Year 4 Sports

Thursday

Year 4 Computing

God Knows Us By Our Name

The gospel on Sunday tells us about how some of the disciples first became followers of Jesus.

Jesus looked at Simon and decided he should be called Peter, which means "rock". Simon Peter was strong and dependable (like a rock) and he was the foundation for the Church.

Names are very important. We all have one, or two, or maybe even three. Some of us have a nickname that we like to be called by our family or our friends.

We are all part of God's family and so God knows us all by our name and loves and cares for us wherever we are in the world. God's family spreads out all over the world and includes all kinds of different people.

How do you think God wants us to treat our brothers and sisters around the world – each of whom God knows by name?

God wants us to treat each other fairly, with love and respect and to care for one another. So, how will you treat your brothers and sisters here in our school and parish community and around the world in the coming week?

Let us pray:

God of all, you know us all by our name, and love and care for us, because we are all your children. Help us also to love and care for our brothers and sisters around the world.

Amen.



Brain Trainers

Can you complete these challenges?

How many words can you make from these letters? You cannot use a letter more than once in each word (unless it appears twice in the grid). Can you find the nine-letter word?



Riddle: What is full of holes, but still holds water?



Answers – beginning, a sponge, somewhere over the rainbow

This Weeks ALIVE Star Pupil Winners

Active Learn Interact Volunteer Emotion

Elm - Cameron McG, Mateusz P

Oak - Joseph M, Charlotte B

Holly - Eric K, Peter P

Pine - Luke M, Lucas T

Cedar - Oliver H, Ethan C

Fir - Rere B, Jayden O

Beech - Marvin I, Caitlin D

Willow - Jack C, George B

Birch - Harry M, Skylar M

Cherry - Oscar M, Lockie B

Maple - Bartosz W, Blanka P

Elder - Kendra I, Bonnie B

Hazel - Daisy B F, Harrison W

Hawthorn - Anthony R, Grisha S,

Sycamore - Ann B P, Anthony H

Weekly Attendance and Punctuality W/B 09/01/24

	100% Perfect		0 late arrivals - perfect
	97%-99% excellent effort		1-4 late arrivals - excellent effort
	94%-96% Nearly reached target		5-6 late arrivals - needs to improve
	91%-93% Must do much better		7-8 late arrivals - must do much better
	-91% Very poor		9 and over late arrivals - Very poor

	-91%	91%	92%	93%	94%	95%	96%	97%	98%	99%	100%
ELM											
OAK											
HOLLY											
PINE											
CEDAR											
FIR											
BEECH											
WILLOW											
BIRCH											
CHERRY											
MAPLE											
ELDER											
HAZEL											
HAWTHORN											
SYCAMORE											
School weekly Attendance = 92%											

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ELM										
OAK										
HOLLY										
PINE										
CEDAR										
FIR										
BEECH										
WILLOW										
BIRCH										
CHERRY										
MAPLE										
ELDER										
HAZEL										
HAWTHORN										
SYCAMORE										
Average Number of late arrivals = 5										

Congratulations to class **FIR** and **ELDER** who has reached our school target of 97% and above.

Your child's class will receive a reward next week.

School understands there is a lot of illness circulating at the moment but far too many children are just having odd days off. Please only keep your child at home if they are really too ill to attend.

Attendance - Studybugs

We're pleased to announce that St Teresa of Lisieux has introduced a new, more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness, called Studybugs. Please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school. Get the app or register now.

<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

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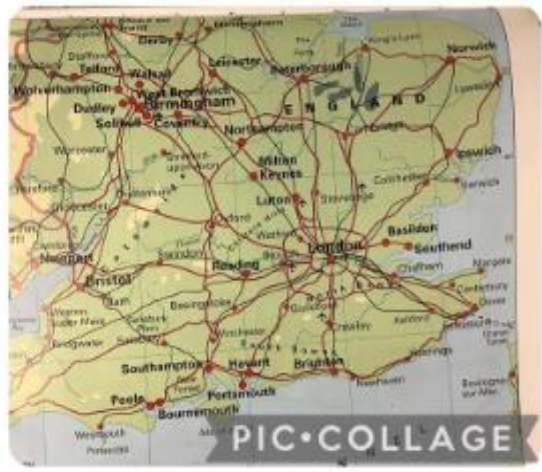
ACTIVE

Reception children have enjoyed being back in school with their friends – they have had lots of fun being active in the outdoor learning environment.



LEARN

Year 1 have been learning about Mary Anning who was an English fossil hunter!



INTERACT

Our ALIVE Champions are always on hand to support all of the children in school!



VOLUNTEER



Girl, 8, burst out crying after what she saw during shopping trip

"When we got home she burst out crying"

NEWS By Patrick Edrich Reporter
18:13, 31 Dec 2023



Freya Harrison with her mum Michelle and dad Paul

A young girl was inspired to raise money to help people off the streets after a shopping trip with her family.

Freya Harrison, eight, was shopping in Liverpool's city centre with her parents and older sister Grace, 12, but became visibly upset when she saw the amount of people sleeping rough. Freya's dad Paul, 41, told the ECHO: "She saw the homeless people and when we got home she burst out crying."

"She said she wanted to go out and give money to them all. We told her the best thing to do would be to raise money for them and give it to a charity. It had been her first real experience of homeless people - she saw them on the streets, some of them with dogs, and just wanted to help."

Freya set about making loom bands and selling them to her family and her friends at school. Paul and his wife Michelle contacted the Salvation Army and decided it would be the best charity for her to donate the money to.

Paul, from Norris Green, said after weeks of hard work throughout December, Freya had raised close to £150 from her charitable venture. The family attended a carol service on Christmas Eve at the Salvation Army on Prescott Road, Old Swan, where Freya gave a speech where she told everyone why she had raised the money.

Paul told the ECHO: "She was really proud of raising the money, and we as parents were so happy and proud of her. We were told that the £150 she raised made sure seven people got a bed on Christmas Eve and breakfast on Christmas morning."

"After she gave her speech she got a big applause from everyone there. When word got around about what she was doing people were quick to get involved and donate her money."

A lovely news story about one of pupils, Freya, who showed true kindness to others. We are all so proud of you for making a difference.



Freya Harrison who raised money for the homeless by making and selling bracelets

Despite her good deed throughout December, Freya was devastated when a bag, given to her as a present from her parents, was taken while she was shopping in Primark on Boxing Day. Dad Paul said she was "very upset", but added she has quickly put it behind her and now wants to spend more time raising money for the less fortunate.

The ECHO has reported extensively on the ongoing homelessness crisis on the streets of Liverpool. Experts have warned its the "worst it has ever been" with the number of rough sleepers rising by more than 50% and hundreds of families are waiting in temporary accommodation as the council scrambles to try and find housing amid a desperate shortage.

Following December's success, Freya is desperate to play her part. Paul added: "We said you can take a little break and then start making loom bands again, but she said she is going to start straight away."

"She's doing it all on her own, but hopefully people will see the work she's doing and donate money. She wants to be very busy."

PIC•COLLAGE

EMOTIONS

Children in Year 2 have been exploring the Gospel – they re-enacted a reading from the Gospels during mass and practised responses. We discussed what the congregation, the altar servers and the priest do at different points.

