

Welcome Back



Dear Parent,

Welcome back to another new school year. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday; we have had a great first week in school which has flown by. As always the children look fantastic in their uniforms and they are raring to go.

Welcome to our new starters

You may have noticed some new faces among our staff team. This term we are very excited to welcome two new class teachers; Miss Hill in Year 2 and Mrs Norris in Year 4. We also have new members of our support staff team: Mrs Powell in KS2, Miss Sherwood and Mrs Head in Early Years and Miss Wilson is supporting in KS1.

We also have our new starters in Reception and Nursery; it is always such a pleasure to welcome a new cohort of children to our school and they have had a wonderful week settling into their new class and routines.

Welcome Mass

We would like to invite our new starters and their families to a special Welcome Mass in Church on Friday 21st September at 10 am. This will also be attended by the whole school and everyone is welcome. There will be an opportunity to have tea and coffee afterwards for our new parents.

Welcome Meetings

We would like to invite parents to a Welcome Evening on Thursday 20th September at 5.00pm. This will be an opportunity for you to meet the school staff and find out about school updates and targets for the new academic year and an opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet the class teacher.

T CLUB

Our exciting new wraparound club started this week. The club is currently available to pupils in Rec to Y6: breakfast session runs from 7.30 – 8.30 and after school 3.45 – 5.45. The T Club runs every day and is led by Mrs Merryweather who is supported by Miss Wilson. The children who have accessed the provision this week are having a great time and the club has been very well received. Please see our website for further information and booking links.

After School Clubs

After school clubs will begin week commencing 17th September. The children will be bringing home information shortly.

Consent Forms

As it is the beginning of the year there are several consents and agreements that require updating. Attached to this letter are consent forms for the use of digital images and internet access. Please read the information carefully and return to school no later than **Friday 14th September**. It is really important that every child brings back their consent agreement.

In addition we have our Home School Collection Agreement which again is important so that staff have up to date information for collection at the end of the school day. For our older pupils there must be a signed 'Walking to and From School' agreement before we can allow children to walk home.

May I also remind you of our Medicines Policy which we have on our website, if your child requires medication in school the forms must be updated for the start of the academic year and new medication supplied. Please ensure any new medication is given in at the school office and the appropriate paperwork is signed otherwise we will not be able to accept it.

School Car Park

Again another reminder for parents/grandparents to **avoid** using the school car park any time from 8am – 4pm. It is unsafe and putting our pupils in danger.

School Website www.stthereseprimary.org.uk

Please don't forget to have a look at our school website where we have relevant information regarding policies and procedures in school.

We also have our new school song and video '**COME ALIVE**' which is available to view on the home page of our website. We had a premiere at the end of last term and we are proud to be able to share the new song with our school community. The words from the song were rewritten by our pupils and we feel the video is a celebration of everything that happens in our school.

Dates for Diaries

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| Thursday 20 th September – | Welcome evening for parents | 5.00 – 6.00 pm |
| Friday 21 st September – | Welcome Mass | 10 AM in Church |
| Friday 28 th September - | McMillan Coffee Afternoon | 1.45pm |
| Monday 1 st October - | Mass for St Therese feast day | 10 AM in Church |
| Friday 12 th October - | School Photographs | |

Stay and Pray Sessions All sessions will take place in the hall at 8.40 am

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| 27 TH September | Year 3 |
| 5 th October | Year 1 |
| 9 th October | Year 6 |
| 11 th October | Year 5 |
| 16 th October | Reception |
| 23 rd October | Year 2 |
| 25 th October | Year 4 |

All the staff team are very much looking forward to another exciting year ahead, please do not hesitate to contact school if you have anything you wish to discuss. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Kind regards

Mrs Stott