



## St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parent

Happy New Year and hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the break. As we embark on another term important to share dates and notices for the term ahead.

### Term Dates for next academic year

As you may be aware Nicholas Postgate Academy Trust have very recently set the academic term dates for the academic year 2019 – 20 see copied overleaf.

In answer to a couple of queries; they do not affect the term dates we have in place for this academic year 2018 – 2019. We are not having an extra week next year, the week will be taken from the Easter break (or May as seen this year). The reason for this is because as Catholic Trust it is important to us that our children are in school for Holy Week. The change in dates is for the academic year 2019 – 2020 only.

We have 3 more PD days to be allocated across the school year which we will inform parents of as soon as possible.

Below is a statement from the Trust:

***Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust has high expectations for attendance and this includes the fair and consistent application of the 'Leave of Absence in Term Time policy'. By adjusting the term time dates, the Trust is trying to work with parents and reduce the need to issue penalty notices where leave of absence in term time is taken, particularly in September. We would hope these term dates allow our families the flexibility to take a holiday. Please be advised, where there is a leave of absence taken in term time, this will be taken seriously and the matter forwarded to the relevant local authority, for consideration of the issue of fines.***

### Dates for this Half Term

Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Y4 Parents	Robinwood Meeting	8.30am
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Y6 Parents	Assessment and Testing Arrangements	8.30 am
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Y2 Parents	Assessment and Testing Arrangements	8.30 am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Y1 Parents	Phonics Teaching	8.30 am

### Stay and Pray Sessions at 8.40am in the school hall

23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Y3
25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y6
30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y4
1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Y1
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y2
7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y5

Thank you for your continued support

Kind Regards  
Mrs Stott