

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

By following in the footsteps of St Teresa we share Gospel values.

Headteacher: Mrs N Paterson

Website: <http://www.st-teresas-rochford.ik.org> Address: Ashingdon Road, Hawkwell, Rochford, SS41RF Tel: 01702 547918



An 'outstanding' Catholic Primary School

Code of Conduct - Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Responsible

Date: 14th November 2018

Newsletter: no. 9

School News

Last week we held a successful Open Day here at St Teresa's and parents visiting were blown away by the way our Year 6 prefects conducted themselves. We are very proud of all those who assisted and offered their time so generously - thank you!

Remembrance Assembly

On Friday we held a Remembrance Assembly to mark 100 Years since the end of WW1 and to give thanks to those who so dutifully gave their lives for our freedom. We would like to thank all parents who came along to spend a few thoughtful moments with us. We would also like to thank **Ewan (Year 6)** who played *The Last Post* so beautifully on the cornet.

News from pupils...

School Trip to Duxford

On Monday Year 5 & 6 went on a visit to Duxford to learn about World War 1. There was so much to see. It was most informative. We saw a Spitfire, a Lancaster, a biplane, a monoplane and many more. We even entered the supersonic plane, Concorde!

By Daniel M

Congratulations to **St George's** (Red) who were our House winners last week. Well done to all members of St George's.

Advent Poetry Competition - (Please submit all entries to the school office)



As we approach the Season of Advent we invite all children to enter our **Advent Poetry Competition**. The poem can be as long or short as they like and we would like it to be all about Advent. The closing date for entries will be the 10th December 2018. **We have a very special surprise judge who will be choosing our winning poems.**



We wish the following children a very happy birthday this week
Noah, Riley & Mrs Withams.

FoSTS News

FoSTS Christmas Market - Saturday 24th November at 12 Noon



This is a fabulous event. Children have lots of fun, adults get to buy some Christmas gifts and the school benefits from your wonderful generosity! FoSTS representatives will be in the playground selling raffle tickets for this and there are amazing prizes as always, including 2 tickets for a premier league game. FoSTS will also be selling paper chains which will be used to decorate the hall. Each ring will cost a £1 and at the end of the Christmas market a winning ring will be chosen and will win half of the money raised from these sales.

We are still in need of volunteers on the day, please speak to Kelly Vinn if you can help. We are enormously grateful as always.

Thank you ALSO for your support with silver smarties and our film night. Totals raised will be published next week.

Local Walks permission Slip - Please remember to return your slips as soon as possible. Thank you

Attendance - Well done to Year 6 for winning the Attendance Cup this week.

School Target for 2018/19 : 96%

It is very important that children miss minimal days off school as absence has a big impact on their learning.

Year Group	Attendance %	Late %
Year R	95.0	0.4
Year 1	94.0	0.5
Year 2	91.6	0.8
Year 3	94.0	No Lates
Year 4	97.6	0.4
Year 5	97.2	1.4
Year 6	97.7	No Lates

Diary Dates

21st Nov	Big Sing Concert at Thorpe Hall School - Years 2 & 3
24th Nov	Christmas Fayre 12-4pm
1st Dec	World Food Festival at St Teresa's Church
12th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day and Hat Parade
14th Dec	Early Years Nativity - 9.30am
14th Dec	KS1 Nativity at 2pm in St Teresa's Church
15th Dec	Breakfast with Santa
18th Dec	KS2 Nativity at 7pm in St Teresa's Church
19th Dec	Christmas Disco
19th Dec	Last Day of Term
3rd Jan	Start of New Term

School Dinners



Well done to our Reception class who are now booking their dinners independently. We are so proud of you!

Mathletics -Back by popular demand! For those parents who are new and unfamiliar - Mathletics is an online maths programme which allows the teacher to set tasks relevant to their learning in class. Children can earn certificates which you will then be able to print out for them. Simply help your child to log on by using the new password they have received and they will be up and running. **Congratulations to those who have already achieved their first bronze.**

Message from Mrs Griffin, Miss Walters and Mrs Lench

Huge thanks to **Rob's of Rochford** for donating a fish tank to replace ours and to **Animal Fayre** of Rochford for donating some fabulous contents for the tank.

Parish News

INVITATION TO OUR WORLD FOOD FESTIVAL - On the **1st of December** we will be having a World Food Festival where we invite you to sample cuisine from all around the world at our many different mini restaurants. The tickets are £10 each and includes all your food for the night. Please see Mrs Challis if you would like to purchase a ticket.

During the month of November we remember all those who have died and offer up our prayers every day for their souls.



Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Thank you for your continuing support and partnership

Mrs N Paterson