

St Teresa's Catholic Academy

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Last week at the Diocesan Schools Day Bishop Phillip reminded us all of the importance of showing a greater love for one another; as disciples we should never be loveless. In the lead up to Christmas, with all the additional stress and pressure we find ourselves under, tempers can become frayed and words spoken in anger. Over the next few weeks we will be thinking about the words we use to ensure we are living as Jesus taught us; *"Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones."* (Proverbs 16:24)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25th November	School Association Christmas Fayre, 2-5pm
5th December	Advent Mass, 9.30am
11th December	Foundation & Infant Dress Rehearsal, 1.30pm
12th December	Foundation & Infant Christmas Concert, 1.30pm
13th December	Foundation & Infant Christmas Concert, 1.30pm
14th December	Infant Christmas Lunch
15th December	Junior Christmas Lunch
15th December	Years R, 1, 2, 3 & 4 Nasal Flu Vaccination
15th December	Pre-School Christmas Songs for parents, 2.45pm

Children In Need

A great big Pudsey pat on the back as we managed to raise £630.99 for Children in Need! You bought £275.34 worth of cakes and £355.65 was raised by wearing spotty mufti.

Well done to everyone!

LOST PROPERTY

I am sad to report that our lost property pile has grown considerably this term. Even more surprising is the large number of brand new Academy jumpers that are in the pile and unnamed! We have very little space to keep these lost items so unfortunately at the end of every term anything unclaimed will be given to charity or binned.



Class Attendance

Well done to Dickens Class for having the best attendance during the last 2 weeks!

Seuss 1	96.93%	Lewis	98.08%
Seuss 2	95.42%	Morpurgo	97.5%
Donaldson	98.69%	Wilson	98.22%
Rosen	97.51%	Rowling	98.13%
Butterworth	98.18%	Shakespeare	97.95%
Dahl	98.89%	Dickens	99.41%

IMPORTANT

Foundation & Infant Nativity Booking

A letter is being sent via parentmail today regarding the booking of tickets for the nativity performances. Please read this letter very carefully regarding the booking process.

Due to limited capacity this year places must be booked and a ticket presented or admission will not be allowed.



Please turn over

**CONSULTATION
ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS SEPTEMBER 2019**

As required by regulations the governing body of St Teresa's Catholic Academy, Easthampstead Road, Wokingham, is conducting a consultation on its proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2019 – 2020. The consultation period runs for a minimum period of 6 weeks from Wednesday 22nd November 2017 until Wednesday 3rd January 2018.

Copies of the proposed arrangements can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website,

http://www.st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk/web/admissions_consultation_2019-20/319418

Comments on the arrangements should be sent to the Schools Admissions Officer, Mrs Jennie Sutton, jsutton@st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk by 17th January 2018.

The governing body will consider all comments received before determining its admission arrangements by 28th February 2018.

Over the past two weeks we have been working closely with the NSPCC raising awareness of their 'Speak out, Stay Safe' campaign. The children have been identifying trusted adults that they could talk to if they were worried about something; in this ever changing world it is vital all children know there are adults who can help them to be safe. My thanks to Miss Greenwood for organising the workshops and to the parents who attended the session on Wednesday afternoon; I hope you found it useful.

Huge congratulations to our Chamber Choir who are the winners of Launchpad's Primary School Choir Competition. The children's performance in the final was incredible; they blew the audience and the Judges away! As winners they will be performing with the Bach Choir and Danyl Johnson (previous X Factor Contestant) in Reading Minster on Thursday 7th December at 6pm for their Carols by Candlelight service. If you would like to see them perform tickets are available from Launchpad - tickets are £10 for an individual and £25 for a family of two adults and two children under 16.

Please may I remind parents that every Friday morning we have our worship. Unfortunately if your child is late to arrive at school the office will be closed until approximately 9.45am to enable us to come together as a whole school community.

I'm really looking forward to our Christmas Fayre tomorrow, our School Association have once again been working really hard to make this event a huge success. I look forward to catching up with you there -perhaps over a glass of mulled wine!

Best wishes,

Mrs Nikki Peters

Headteacher

**SA News follows
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