

# The St Teresa Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter



WEEK ENDING: FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026

Dear Parents,

In this weekend's Gospel (**John 14:15–21**), Jesus reminds us that love is shown through our actions: "If you love me, keep my commandments." He promises his disciples that they are never alone, because God's Spirit is always with them — guiding, comforting and giving them strength.

It reminds us that even when things feel challenging or uncertain, God walks with us and surrounds us with his love and peace.

As we look ahead to SATs week next week, we keep our Year 6 children particularly in our thoughts and prayers. We are very proud of all the hard work, resilience and determination they have shown throughout the year. We wish each of them the very best and encourage them to do their best, knowing that they are supported, valued and loved.

We also thank you, as parents and carers, for your continued encouragement and support. Together, we help all our children grow in confidence, faith and hope.

God Bless, Mr Campling



### Stars of the week!



Reception	Keyla	For trying her best in phonics with sounding out and blending to help her read.
	Jeremiah	For showing good listening and trying his best in all his learning.
Year 1	Zane	For settling in positively and completing all his classwork.
	Adeline	For being a respectful, kind and positive member of our school community.
Year 2	Elijah	For joining in class discussions and trying his best.
	David	For his positive attitude towards learning.
Year 3	Victor	For making a great effort to take part in group and class discussions more.
	Tiwa	For always putting a huge effort into making sure his handwriting is lovely.
Year 4	Delmar	For always trying hard.
	Vincenzo	For wonderful participation in class
Year 5	Milah	For taking the initiative to independently sort and label the stationery trays in the classroom.
	Mercy	For taking the initiative to independently sort and label the stationery trays in the classroom.
Year 6	Christian	For being a supportive partner especially in maths lessons.
	Charlize	For her wonderful expression when reading aloud in class.



**Dirck de Bray**  
about 1635–1694

**Flowers in a White Stone Vase**  
1671

Only seven still lifes by Dirck de Bray are known. Unlike his contemporaries, he depicts a limited selection of flowers that all bloom in the same season. Gelder roses, columbine and peonies are convincingly arranged in a white vase in an unusually 'modern' composition, which seems to prefigure a type of still life.



Thursday this week our Art ambassadors from Years 3 to 6 went on a visit to The National Gallery. Here, they looked around admiring the work and enjoying the wonderful art on display. They also took time to re-create a piece of art in their own style. Here you can see them replicating the work of Dirck de Bray - Flowers in a White Stone Vase (1671). Thank you to Miss Daley (Art lead) and Miss Rima for providing this opportunity to our children.

## Weekly Attendance

Reception	97.1%
★ Year 1 ★	98.8%
Year 2	95.6%
Year 3	96.1%
Year 4	98.6%
Year 5	95.6%
Year 6	97.1%
Whole School	97.0%



A reminder to all parents:  
We are a no phone school.  
All mobile phone users:  
Pupils, Parents and visitors  
must put phones away and  
not use them whilst on our  
premises. This is for the  
safety of all.  
Many thanks, Mr Campling



St Anne	212
St Francis	188
Thomas More	182
St Elizabeth	226



A superb result for us in the Barking & Dagenham Finesse Trophy semi final this week against Parsloes! A 5-4 win for St Teresa's means they qualify for a borough football final for the first time. It was a tough battle throughout with a high level of skill on display from both teams. We now look forward to the FINAL in the next few weeks. Congratulations everyone! Thank you to all those who supported the team, we will be looking forward to a big celebration for the FINAL!



Year 2 have enjoyed creating clay pots in Art this week. Fabulous new media to work with, and such lovely creations.



Reception class have been making 10 using manipulatives (ten frames and numicon)

