

The St Teresa Catholic Primary School

Week ending Friday 21st November 2025



Dear parents/ carers,

Winter has most definitely arrived, and the buzz for the forthcoming Christmas celebrations are beginning. This weekend at mass we celebrate “Christ The King”, the last Sunday of the Church’s liturgical year. It is a time to reflect on Jesus’ kingship—not of power and riches, but of love, service, and humility. As we prepare to enter Advent, let us take this opportunity to remind ourselves of the true meaning of the season: hope, peace, joy, and love.

In school, we are busy preparing for our Christmas events, including Nativity performances, carol services, and festive activities. Details of dates and times are on the next page and also on our school website. We are also encouraging the children to think about ways they can show kindness and generosity during Advent, whether through small acts at home or supporting others less fortunate.

If you’re having a pre-Christmas clear-out and have any toys or games you no longer need, we would be very grateful for your donations. Items such as board games for ‘Wet Play’ and any Lego would be especially welcome. Please bring any contributions to the school office.

God bless, Mr Campling.

Reception	Ajla	For always being helpful towards others and trying to write short phrases in the writing area.
	Angelo	For trying his best and always being happy.
Year 1	Althea	For making amazing decisions this week and being an excellent friend.
	Elijah	For being a great helper and a kind friend.
Year 2	Mark	For being helpful towards his peers and working hard.
	Ugochukwu	For his positive attitude towards work.
Year 3	Elise	For reading confidently in our class mass and working hard in class.
	Ezra	For giving excellent answers in class and always trying his best.
Year 4	Aaron T	For constantly showing exceptional behaviour in class and around school.
	Aaron G	For putting in his best effort across all subjects.
Year 5	Jacinta	For continuously challenging herself and displaying a fantastic work ethic.
	Tyler	For his fantastic attitude to his learning tasks this week.
Year 6	Marco	For fantastic effort in applying math's skills to tricky fraction problems — well done!
	Oliver	For growing effort and fantastic contributions during class discussions. Keep up the hard work.

Weekly Attendance Figures

94% and below	94% – 97%	97% and above.
Reception	96.1%	
Year 1	97.8%	
Year 2	★ 98.3%	★
Year 3	95.8%	
Year 4	93.1%	
Year 5	94.3%	
Year 6	94.2%	

Attendance: Whole school attendance figure for this week: **95.6%**

Our target as a school is 96%



St Francis	183
Thomas More	127
St Anne	185
St Elizabeth	136



Well done to our Year 6 netball team who played their first official match of the Ignite Netball League earlier this week. They had a fantastic 7-1 victory over Beam!

On Wednesday, children from Year 5 and 6 took part in the Barking & Dagenham Schools' tag rugby tournament. They played 7 matches, winning 6 of them and scoring over 30 tries in the process on what was a very cold day! They showed great determination, teamwork and ability throughout the tournament. Well done everyone.

On Thursday, boys from Year 4 & 5 played a league match against Valence. They showed great effort and determination but just lost out to strong opposition. Well done boys.



This week, we were delighted to welcome Fr Jamie, who celebrated Mass with our Key Stage 2 classes and parents from Year 3.

Year 3 prepared the Mass beautifully, with thoughtful readings and uplifting singing. In recent weeks, their RE lessons have focused on Prophecy and Promise, incorporating the different parts of the Mass and the Liturgy of the Word. This celebration was a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience, as a class, everything they have been learning in the classroom brought to life.



NOVEMBER

Friday 28th	Make the rules day—See information sent from PTA
Sunday 30 th	1 st Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER

Monday 01 st	EYFS Nativity 09:15 (Nursery parents welcome to watch)
Tuesday 02 nd	EYFS Nativity 09:15 (Reception parents welcome to watch)
Wednesday 03 rd	KS1 Nativity 13:30 (Year 1 parents welcome to watch)
Thursday 4 th	KS1 Nativity 13:30 (Year 2 parents welcome to watch)
Tuesday 9 th	Upper KS2 Carol Concert 13:30 (Years 5&6 parents welcome)
Thursday 11 th	Christmas Dinner Day Christmas jumpers / accessories may be worn.
Tuesday 16 th	Christmas Fun Afternoon
Friday 19 th	Last day of term, children can wear party clothes. (Finish 13:15)

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Monday 5 th	Parent consultation day. Parents to attend a consultation with class teachers regarding their child's attainment and progress.
Tuesday 6 th	Children return to school