

Dear Parents

It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school last week, looking refreshed and raring to go! We also welcomed several new members of staff including Mr Meakin as Head of PE, Mrs Pettifor as a learning support assistant and Olivia Ives-Smith to our Wraparound team. We hope they all have a long and enjoyable time at St Teresa's.

We also welcomed all our new children in assembly this week and it is a pleasure to see how all the pupils have been looking out for them and making sure they soon feel settled. The Reception children all look very smart and proud in their new uniform! New Pre-School children came to visit on Friday with their parents and all Pre-School sessions begin this week. We look forward to meeting all our new parents from 7pm on Monday 17th September.

Last week we held our Stewards Induction Mass and that was the first time our Year Six pupils knew of their specific roles for the coming year. We have no doubt they will all be fantastic role models for the rest of the school and take their responsibilities as Stewards seriously. Thank you to Father Joseph for leading our Mass and to all those of you who came along to support the children.



During the Mass we also announced the House Captains and Vice Captains, who are as follows:

– St Mary Magdalene House Captain is Octavia, with Charlie as Vice Captain; St Aloysius House Captain is Seren, with Ben as Vice Captain; St Catherine House Captain is George, with Phoebe as Vice Captain. These roles are voted for by all the pupils. Well done to you all and we look forward to watching you motivate your houses to gain house points!

Eleanor	Art & DT	Media
Joseph	Computing / ICT	Chaplaincy
Harriet	Library	Games
Phoebe	St Catherine Vice Captain	Library
Charlie	St Mary Magdalene Vice Captain	Environment
Eduard	Computing / ICT	Science
Cristian	Art & DT	Environment
William	Games	Chess
Katie	Media	Environment
George	St Catherine House Captain	Art & DT
Calum	Chess	Media
Ben	St Aloysius Vice Captain	Games
Octavia	St Mary Magdalene House Captain	Languages
Mark	Music	Computing / ICT
Sebastian	Music	Science
Toby	Games	Chaplaincy
Seren	St Aloysius House Captain	Languages

Our Stewards Prayer

Lord, we ask you for help.

When we need calm; give us Your peace.

When we need a clear head; give us Your wisdom.

When we need to take care; give us Your patience.

When we need to be inspired; give us Your insight.

Keep us from being too anxious as we put our trust in Your power to guide us this day and every day.

Amen

Diary

This Week

- 11th Sept
 - Transfer Test Preparation
 - Condover Hall Meeting 3.45pm – Year Five
- 13th Sept
 - Transfer Test
- 14th Sept
 - Maths Day (further information below)
 - Maths Presentation to Parents – 8.30am -9.15am

Looking Ahead

- 17th Sept
 - New Parents Evening – 7pm (by invitation)
- 19th Sept
 - Aston Hearing Visiting Year Four
- 21st Sept
 - Year Three Visit – Aylesbury Museum [Details](#)
- 24th Sept
 - Parents Evening (No Spanish or Chess Club)
- 26th Sept
 - Parents Evening (No ICT or Scrapbooking Club – Football will continue as normal)
- 28th Sept
 - Year Six Visit – Click Production (Healthy online relationships) Princes Risborough School
- 29/30th Sept
 - St Teresa's School at Thame Food Festival – Food & Science Workshops
- 1st Oct
 - Community Day
 - 11.00am St Teresa's Feast Day Mass (whole school Mass)
- 4th Oct
 - Open Morning – 9.00 am-11.00am
- 6th Oct
 - Open Morning -10.00am – 12.00pm (all children from Reception to Year Six to attend)
- 8th Oct
 - EYFS Parents Evening
- 9th Oct
 - School Photographs – individual and siblings
- 10-12th Oct
 - Year Five – Condover Hall Residential Trip
 - EYFS Parents Evening
- 12th Oct
 - Year Six – Schools Mass Dunstable
- 16th Oct
 - Inter-House Music Day
- 17th Oct
 - STPA Disco Party (Year one - Year Six)
 - Last day of half term – normal dismissal times
- 18th Oct
 - HALF TERM BEGINS
- 31st Oct
 - Half Term Begins
 - Secondary School Application Deadline

Items in red added to the diary since the last Weekly Letter to Parents was published

Dates for this academic year are all available on the school website.

There you will also find copies of school policies (hard copies may be requested from the office) and details of the curriculum for each year group.

Notices

Maths Day - Friday 14th September

As usual the children will be off timetable for the majority of the day, exploring mathematics. The Problem Solving Company will join us again this year. Key Stage One and EYFS will have fun with large puzzles, whilst Key Stage Two will be solving problems to find the code to open up a number of boxes until they solve the final problem. In class, pupils will work on solving a range of different problems and this year we are also introducing solving coded problems. The Reception area will also be set up with a vast array of large problems for pupils to solve during the day – why not come in and try a few at the end of the day!

There will also be a presentation to parents introducing the concept of mastery in mathematics from 8.30am – 9.15am approximately, so please come and join us.

As usual we will be supporting the NSPCC. Each pupil is to wear school uniform for the day and add a maths problem, a code to be solved, or a maze to be solved – wear it as a hat, a sash, placard etc. All pupils will be asked to bring £1, which will go directly to the NSPCC. Children will also be invited to bring in an additional 50p if they wish to take part in a number of code breaking problems presented at break times.

It should be a fantastic day and a day for all pupils to embrace a range of problems to solve.

Car Parking

Please remember that there should be no parent cars parked in the Church car park at any point during the school day or for dropping off or picking up pupils. If a childminder, grandparent or anyone else is coming to school for your child then please make them aware of this too. We were particularly concerned that at the end of last term some childminders and visitors were leaving children in the car in the Church car park, while collecting children from the staff car park.

Wraparound

Wraparound is very busy this term so we cannot guarantee places will be available should you need an adhoc session. Please ensure you submit a Wraparound Form to the office as soon as possible if you need to book a session. Forms are available on the school website. All bookings are to be made through the school office, but cancellations should be advised by emailing wraparound@st-teresas.bucks.sch.uk

Collection

If your child is going to be collected by someone different than their normal pick up arrangements, please remember to either send in a note to the class teacher in advance, or let the school office know.

Clubs - Parents Evenings

More details will follow next week regarding the Parents Evenings being held on Monday 24th September and Wednesday 26th September. In the meantime some advanced warning that there will be no Chess Club or Spanish Club on Monday 24th September. There will also be no ICT or Scrapbooking Club on Wednesday 26th September. However, Football club will continue as normal.

We will keep all our pupils taking the Transfer Tests this week in our prayers, hoping they stay calm, sleep well and are able to do their very best on the day.

J Draper & Y Roberts

Mrs J Draper & Mrs Y Roberts - Joint Head Teachers

STPA



STPA News Advent Term

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AGM
Annual General Meeting

STPA Funds
Raised 2017/2018 **£4,402.74**

Thank you to all who came along to support our AGM. It was great to reflect on last year's successful events, Wish List purchases and share ideas for this year and beyond.

We also voted in the main Core Committee roles for 2018/2019:

Joint Chairpersons - Eleasha Sallis and Emma Wynne

Secretary: Amanda McGrail

Treasurer: Joss Cay

Joint Staff Members: Mrs Draper and Mrs Roberts

We will announce our co-opted member(s) in due course. If you are interested in this role please let Eleasha or Emma know.

The new Core Committee are raring to go...please read on for news of this year's planned events...

Please see below a range of events
and ideas we hope to run in
2018/2019

Dates and details will be published in due
course...

Christmas Fair

Quiz Night

Film Nights

Gift/craft
sales

Mother
& father's
Day

Dinner Dance

Coming soon...

Disco Party

Wednesday 17 October

Year One - Year Six

Raffles

Sports
Day

Mufti Days
& Snacks

plus more...

The STPA needs you!

There are many ways in which you can help support the running of these events/initiatives - which are great fun. If you'd like to be involved in any of the above please speak to Emma or Eleasha or email us.

stpa@st-teresas.bucks.sch.uk

Other Information

A PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL EVENT
BROUGHT TO YOU IN ASSOCIATION WITH
CHURCHILL RETIREMENT LIVING

Outdoor MOVIES

22nd SEPTEMBER @ KING GEORGE V PARK,
PRINCES RISBOROUGH

MOANA @ 3PM

TICKETS £8 ADULTS, KIDS £4.50,
UNDER 3'S FREE
PRE-BOOKING REQUIRED

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN @ 7PM

TICKETS £10 ADULTS. KIDS £7.50,
UNDER 3'S FREE
PRE-BOOKING REQUIRED

TO BUY TICKETS PLEASE VISIT THE EVENT PAGE @
WWW.PRINCESRISBOROUGHTOWNCOUNCIL.GOV.UK OR CALL
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