



St Teresa of Lisieux Catholic Primary Academy

Bulletin Number 7: Friday 17th October 2025

A message from the headteacher

Well, we have well and truly shown 'Racism the Red Card' today. Many thanks for supporting this incredibly important drive and by showing solidarity and by standing together as one, we have shown that togetherness and understanding is far more powerful than prejudice. Throughout the day children have taken part in activities that have developed their awareness and understanding of what racism and discrimination is.

We have an incredibly exciting final week before half term in store which is really action packed. Further details are below re: key events including, the disco, parent workshops and 'Socktober'.

As we go to press, Year 6 gearing up for their residential to Boreatton Park. I am sure that they will have a magnificent time and will discover many things about themselves and no doubt, discover hidden talents and qualities. I am really looking forward to being part of it. For those not going this time, we have lots of fabulous activities planned too!

Aspen 'Come Dine with Me' in pictures...



Pupil Leadership

We are absolutely thrilled to present our head and deputy boys and girls to you all. We know that they will represent St Nicholas' in the best possible way and be fabulous role models and ambassadors for us all. We cannot wait for you to get started in these very exciting and important roles.

Head Pupil	Head Pupil	Deputy Head Pupil	Deputy Head Pupil
Seth	Anika	Lucca	Leo

Religious Education and Catholic Life of the school

'This week, we are inspired by Psalm 98:4 to "sing a new song to the Lord." At St Teresa's we celebrate the joy of praising God through our words, actions, and music. Whether in the classroom, on the playground, or during prayer time, let our hearts be full of gratitude and our voices lift up in joyful praise!'



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Stay and Read sessions

Just a quick reminder that parents are invited to attend a 'Stay and Read' session with your child next week, Tuesday 21st October 2025. Timings are below.

Year 1 - 9.15-10.00 am

Reception - 2.15-3.00 pm

The session will include advice on how best to support your child's reading journey, at their current stage, and time to sit and read with your own child. We look forward to seeing you there.

Key Stage 1 Maths Workshop

Unfortunately we need to rearrange this event. Please look out for a new date coming your way soon.

Spotlight on...Mrs Whitehead

There are many supportive measures in place in school to help our children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We follow the graduated approach to ensure we assess, plan, do, and review for every child on our SEND register.

This week, our staff meeting time was dedicated to beginning the process of reviewing and updating last term's pupil passports and play plans. These updated documents will be ready to share with families during our parents' meetings next half term.

I have been asked why these are not routinely changed in September. This is because the plans were reviewed in June and July to ensure that staff who knew your child last year could share their good practice and support a smooth transition. This approach helps ensure that each child continues to receive the provision and support that worked well for them, with their new teacher.

I have spent a few mornings this week on the gate, getting the chance to chat with parents and welcome you all in each morning. Thanks for all the warm smiles and messages. I'll be there again next week.



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I'll be hosting a coffee morning next Wednesday at 9,15am, with no agenda. Just a chance to come for a chat, ask for advice and eat biscuits! I hope to see you there.

Have a great week,

Mrs Whitehead.



Sparkle and Slime Disco

Next Thursday we will be having our Sparkle and Slime disco. To mark the end of term, the office will be sending information about the disco, today. The times are as follows for each year group:-

Yr 6 – 1.30 p.m. – 2.15 p.m.

Reception and Year 1 – 2.30 p.m. – 3.10 p.m.

Year 2 & Year 3 – 3.20 p.m. – 4.15 p.m.

Year 4 & 5 - 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.

The school will be asking parents to pay a £2 admission charge and are informing parent that children can bring no more than £5 to spend on a Tuck Shop. Also, we would like the children to design a poster for this event, and this would be achieved by holding a poster competition between Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2. We are looking for the most creative poster and the only thing we ask for is we need as much information displayed on the poster as possible for example the times each year group has, admission charge, date, and money for tuck shop etc. The rest of the design is up to the children. Whoever wins out of the key stages will have their poster displayed around the school and our twitter account and we will have prizes for the runners.

Tours for prospective families

We are delighted to announce that we are offering a number of school tours for our 'new' intake in **September 2026**. They are scheduled to start **on Tuesday 21st October** with follow up tours arranged for November and January. Timings for the first one are below. If you know of any families who will be looking for a Reception new place next year then please do encourage them to get in touch with us and come a long and see St Teresa of Lisieux in action. They are assured of a very warm welcome.

Tuesday 21st October 2025

9.30am and 5.30pm

Socktober

This month sees the Whitechapel in centre in Liverpool launch their 'Socktober' campaign. The annual Socktober campaign encourages pupils and staff in schools to wear their **funkiest and craziest socks (they can be odd)** any day in October and make a donation to the charity. The day we are choosing is **Monday 20th October 2025** and the donation is to bring in a **new pair of socks or £1.00** that can be donated to the centre. Socktober aims to ensure the charity has plenty of socks for the winter ahead and I'm sure that you would agree that this is a very worthy cause.



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School Closes

For half term on Friday (24.10.2025) and will reopen to children on Tuesday 4th November 2025. Please note that Monday the 3rd is an Inset Day for staff.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please note that Thursday and Friday clubs are cancelled due to the disco and Y6 PGL.

Monday	Year Group	Club	Start Date	End Date	✓▪
	Reception	Lego Club	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Years 1 and 2	Computer Club	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Years 1 and 2	Multisports Club	22-09-25	09-12-25	
	Year 1	Italian Club	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Year 4	Art and Craft Club	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Year 5	TT Rockstars	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Years 5 and 6	Girl's Football	22-09-25	08-12-25	
	Years 5 and 6	Maths Booster	22-09-25	08-12-25	N/A
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Tuesday	Year Group	Club	Start Date	End Date	✓▪
	Reception	Multisports Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Years 1 and 2	Reading Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Year 3	Art and Craft Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Years 3 and 4	Computing Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Years 3 and 4	Football Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Years 5 and 6	Choir	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Years 5 and 6	Arts and Craft Club	23-09-25	09-12-25	
	Year 6	Reading Booster	23-09-25	09-12-25	N/A

Wednesday	Year Group	Club	Start Date	End Date	✓▪
	Years 3 and 4	Mat Ball	24-09-25	10-12-25	
	Years 5 and 6	Computer Club	24-09-25	10-12-25	

A final thought

Sometimes the more you listen to yourself, the less you learn. Always keep an open mind.



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Take care,

Mr Paul Ackers

Dates for your diary (October)

Monday 20th October 2025 – Socktober – wear your craziest socks and donate £1/new pair of socks

Tuesday 21st October 2025 - Year 1 - Stay and Read for Year 1 parents - 9.15am

Tuesday 21st October 2025 – EYFS – Stay and Read for parents – 2.15pm

Tuesday 21st October 2025 – Tours for prospective parents (2026 starters) – 9.30am and 5.30pm

Wednesday 22nd October 2025 – Friday 24th October 2025 – Year 6 PGL Residential

Thursday 23rd October 2025 – Sparkle and Slime Disco

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Reception and Year 1 – 2.30 p.m. – 3.10 p.m.

Year 2 & Year 3 – 3.20 p.m. – 4.15 p.m.

Year 4 & 5 - 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.

Friday 24th October 2025 – Break up for Half Term