



The Christus Catholic Trust Marks the Jubilee Year

Dear St Teresa's Catholic Primary School Community,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we settle into another vibrant half-term. It has been a wonderful start to our school journey, with learning that continues to inspire and excite us all.



This week, our trust marked a significant moment during the interschool inset, presenting each school with beautiful statues representing the "Pilgrims of Hope". A particularly meaningful development was the creation of a new trust prayer, crafted collaboratively by our headteachers. Drawing inspiration from school faith councils and incorporating themes from the Jubilee year, this prayer beautifully reflects our shared values.

The new children's trust prayer reads:

"Loving God,

Thank You for this new day and for the hope You bring. Help us to be kind, caring, and respectful to everyone we meet.

May those who are lonely find friendship and love, and may our world be filled with peace and compassion.

Guide us to learn with joy and grow in wisdom, share with others and follow Jesus' example each day.

Thank You for giving us hope for a brighter future.

Amen."



Upcoming Dates:

- 10th Nov—Netball away game (select children)
- 11th Nov—Remembrance at school
- 11th Nov—Y3 and 4 at mass
- 12th & 13th Nov—1.30 prospective parents visit
- 13th Nov—Book cover competition deadline
- 13th Nov - Dance festival (select children)
- 14th Nov—Netball Home Game
- 14th Nov—Individual Photo's
- 17th Nov—Home game football
- 18th –21st Nov—Book Fair In School
- 25th Nov—Y5 and 2 at mass
- 27th Nov—Athletics comp (select students)
- 28th Nov Y4 collective worship
- 2nd Dec Y6 and Y1 mass
- 6th Dec—Parish Christmas Fayre (Saturday)
- 9th Dec—KS1 Nativity 2.15pm
- 10h Dec—Rocksteady Concert
- 12th Dec—KS1 Nativity am

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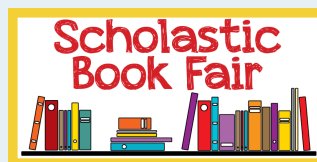
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Book Fair Returns This Half Term

I'm excited to announce that our Book Fair will be arriving at St Teresa's from 18th-21st November, running after school hours. This is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to explore new books while helping our school acquire additional reading resources. To build anticipation, we're launching a book cover design competition next week, with prizes for the winners. Keep an eye out for a detailed letter with more information.



Poppy Appeal

As we approach Remembrance Day, we are continuing our important tradition of remembrance. Poppies are now on sale, providing an opportunity for our community to reflect on sacrifice and hope. In our Catholic and Christian tradition, this act of remembrance is deeply significant. It allows us to honour those who gave their lives in service, teaching our pupils about compassion, courage, and the profound value of peace. Pupils can purchase poppies when they are brought around to their classes, supporting the vital work of the Poppy Appeal.



School Council Elected!

I'm proud to announce the election of our new School Council, a wonderful demonstration of democratic engagement and one of our core British values. These dedicated pupils will support school improvements, following in the footsteps of last year's council who played a crucial role in our kitchen relaunch. We're excited to see the positive changes they will bring to our school community.



Christmas Bazaar 17th December

The festive season is approaching, and we have several exciting events on the horizon. Our school FOST bazaar is scheduled for Wednesday, 17th December, with full details to follow soon.

SAVE THE DATE - 17th DECEMBER

Christmas Bazaar 2025

We're also pleased to highlight two additional Christmas fayres. The parish Christmas fayre, will be advertised soon and takes place on the 6th December. The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Christmas Craft fayre is on the 16th November and is advertised overleaf.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT & GIFT FAIR

In aid of BCCS a charity which supports the emotional health and wellbeing of children

Registered Charity Number - 1000661



Mill Arts and Events Centre,
Bellingham Lane,
Rayleigh (Free Parking)

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2025

10.30am till 4.00pm

CRAFT STALLS ★ GIFT STALLS ★ & MUCH MORE

£1.50 Adults, Children Under 14 Free

For more information contact Damian on 07912 308000 / ddillon@bccs.org.uk

St Teresa's Rosary Club Begins



A new and wonderful addition to our school life is our extra-curricular Rosary Club, available free to breakfast club members. Each week, a senior teacher guides pupils through a decade of the rosary, meditating on sacred mysteries. There is then a moment for personal prayer intentions and reflections from the children.

The children have approached this spiritual practice with remarkable enthusiasm and joy. What could be better than prayer and a good breakfast to start the day?

Breakfast Club

Do not forget, if you wish to attend breakfast club you must book in advance! We have a wonderful selection of nutritious and scrumptious breakfasts available and cater for all tastes! No only this, but as mentioned above, Breakfast Club members are also invited to the Rosary club once a week.

I would also like to celebrate the incredible achievement of our office manager, Miss Aldridge, who recently completed a half marathon raising funds for Sands, a



Miss Aldridge Completes a Half Marathon for Charity!



charity dedicated to supporting families experiencing pregnancy and baby loss. Sands works tirelessly to save babies' lives and improve maternity safety and bereavement care through research, training, and campaigning. We encourage our community to support this noble cause. [You can find her Just Giving page by following this link.](#)

Warmest Regards

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