



# St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School

## January 2024



Happy New Year to you all. I would like to thank you all for the continued support you give to your children and our school. The Christmas concerts and Nativity plays were wonderful events that brought our children and families together to help celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

### Fundraising

Thank you to all those parents who supported our Christmas Raffle and Santa's Grotto. The raffle combined with our visit from Santa helped raise £1000 for our school fund.

### Virtues

Each half-term we have a whole school focus on two of the Gospel Virtues. We look at how they can help us all on our journey of faith and understanding and being the 'best we can be'. This half-term our focus virtues are '**compassionate and loving**'.

### Number Day

Dress up for Digits' Day - **Friday 2nd February**. After last year's success, we are looking forward to Number Day in school. As well as dressing up, children will be taking part in a range of fun and challenging Maths activities. The theme for Number Day is 'digits' (more information to follow). Please can children bring in a £1 donation - all proceeds go towards the NSPCC.

Our Virtues:

**Compassionate**  
**and**  
**Loving**



Pupils at St Teresa's are growing to be . . .

**compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and **loving** by their just actions and forgiving words.

**Compassionate:** We are compassionate when we feel sympathy and concern for other people who are in difficulty, whether they are near to us or far away.

**Loving:** We are loving when we show our sympathy and concern for other people by our actions and by our words.

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 9th January—Swimming starts for Y3/4 (Miss Zafar's Class)

Thursday 11th January—Young Voices Concert

Monday 15th January—Year 2 (Mrs McAllister's Class) Saint Assembly

Tuesday 30th January—Year1 visit (Stafford Ancient High House)

Thursday 1st February—Year 2 visit (Stafford Ancient High House)

Friday 2nd February—NSPCC Number Day

Monday 5th February—RSHE Week in school

Friday 9th February—School closes for Half Term

Monday 19th February—School reopens

Thank you for your continued support

Mr N Price  
Headteacher

### Attendance

Improving attendance in schools is a top priority for the Local Authority and the Department for Education.

As a school, our attendance is monitored throughout the year. Please can parents avoid taking children out of school during term time as this is recorded as an unauthorised absence.

90% attendance equates to 19 school days missed in a year.

### Lateness

Please can you ensure that children are in school for 8:50am. Arrival after 9:00am is recorded as 'late'.

Children should be collected from school at 3:15pm. Thank you