



Welcome back to all of our pupils, parents & carers. We hope you have all had an enjoyable summer break. The children have come back to school in great form and have been impressing their teachers with how well they have settled back in. Year 6 parents are reminded that there is a meeting next Tuesday 12th at 6.30pm regarding secondary transfer and the residential trip to the Isle of Wight.

Prospective Prent/Carer Open Days

Our open days for those applying for Reception places in September 2024 have just been announced.

Click [here](#) for full details.



OPEN SESSIONS 2023

Wednesday 27th September 9.30am

Friday 13th October 11.00am

Thursday 2nd November 6.30pm

Monday 20th November 9.30am

Come to one of our open days to see what our school is like and to find out about the application process. Pre book a session by tel. 020 8654 3006 or email admin@thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk

St Thomas Becket
Catholic Primary School
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"Pupils at this school are polite and welcoming. They have positive relationships with each other based on mutual respect. This is a diverse and inclusive school where pupils' differences are celebrated. Staff have high aspirations for all pupils."

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Welcome

A big Becket family welcome to the new staff that are joining us this week. Mrs Teague (l) is our new class teacher in Year 5, St Martin and Mrs Breslin (R) is our new Butterflies class teacher.



PRE-LOVED CLOTHING

From the middle of next week there will be two pre-loved clothes bins permanently situated in the juniors playground. The first bin will be dedicated to school uniforms, and the second for all other clothing items. The school will get a donation based upon the weight of the clothes donated. Keep an eye out for these beauties!



Roald Dahl Day, 13th September.

GOLDEN TICKET

Buy special STBSA Wonka bars and see if you get a coveted golden ticket! 10 bars will contain the shiny ticket and can claim a special price. Pre-orders available now, distribution starting next week! Limited availability

Click here to purchase:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stbsa/>

Farewell

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Noreen Fewtrell this week. Mrs Fewtrell has been a member of staff at St Thomas Becket for an incredible 32 years and has taught a number of our current staff and parents, as well as a great number of our past & present pupils in that time. Mrs Fewtrell will be greatly missed as a teacher and senior leader by the staff, pupils, parents and governors of the school and we wish her all the best on the next stage in her journey. The children and staff will be saying goodbye to Mrs Fewtrell in a special assembly in the coming weeks. I know that the parents of the school will want to say a heartfelt thank you for the difference she has made to your children's education.



A message from Mrs Fewtrell:

After 32 years I have come to the difficult decision that, for personal reasons, it is time for me to leave St Thomas Becket. To the many staff, past and present, with whom I've had the pleasure to teach for their support and friendship. I will always remember our shared laughter and joys, as well as our struggles. To the parents and carers, I thank you for your constant kindness and trust. Throughout my time at Becket, I have felt privileged that you have always placed such confidence in me to nurture the minds and hearts of your children.

Most importantly, I take with me 32 years of wonderful memories of the children I have had the pleasure of getting to know along my Becket journey- they have taught me far more than I could ever teach them and will forever have a special place in my heart. I would like to thank Mr Skehan for his support and understanding over the past two terms. I wish him well as he continues to take the school on to the next phase in its journey. I am not yet ready to put down my marking pen but intend to take a little time before deciding on the next step in my teaching journey. I'm sure it will be hard to find a school to compare to Becket. I leave you with a blessing which has always meant a great deal to me.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*With much love,
Mrs Fewtrell*

STBSA NEWS

ESTATE AGENTS BOARDS: *We have 78 homes opted into have a Becket board!* Where possible, please agree to have an estate agents board advertising our Fireworks display, taking place on 20th October. We get a donation of £7 per board! If you'd be happy to participate, text Sarah on 07950381029.

Fireworks

Early bird ticket prices extended until Wednesday 13th September, click here to purchase: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stbsa/>

Attached is a picture from a recent Frontier Firework's display
<https://www.facebook.com/FrontierFireworks>
<https://www.frontierfireworks.co.uk/>



Achievement

Well done to all the children who celebrated individual achievements over the summer holidays, too many to mention by name this week. Well done to all of you!



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