



St Bartholomew's C.E. Primary School

"Follow Jesus in all we do"

Peter 3:18-22 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. ¹⁹ After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹ and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. ²² It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

23rd February 2024

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a lovely half term break ☺

We would like to say a huge Well Done to our Year 5 class for 100% attendance this week!

Unfortunately there were a few late arrivals so they didn't win breakfast ☹

However, Monday is a new week and we are excited to see who next week's winner will be. The class with 100% attendance and 0 lates will be invited to breakfast at 8:40am on Monday 4th March.

If you have any worries, concerns or just general questions; please contact the school office or email m.gaston@st-barts.lancs.sch.uk Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 1st March – Coffee Morning (All welcome to pop in for a brew and a biscuit, small donation)

Friday 1st March – Mothers' Day (1) 'Afternoon Tea' with your child at 2:30pm – Tickets required.

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day 'Harry Potter' Theme. Dressing up – Parents invited at 3:30pm.

Thursday 7th March – PTA Film Night 3:30pm – £5 a ticket (includes Hot food, Ice-Lolly and a Drink).

Friday 8th March – Reception Mothers' day Worship at 9am

Friday 8th March – Mothers' Day (2) 'Afternoon Tea' with your child at 2:30pm - Tickets required.

Thursday 14th March – Parents Invited into school at 3:30pm for the Science Fair.

Thursday 28th March – Year 3 Easter Worship in Church 9:15am.

HOMEWORK

We have reviewed our Homework Policy and each class teacher has sent the details home. As part of this, we have sent out the half terms spellings on one sheet, at our parents' request. Children will only have to learn the spellings week by week and there will be an assessment each week. In addition to spellings, reading books are sent home and Times Table Rockstars (Maths homework) is set weekly. Please encourage your child to complete their homework each week. Working together, we can help our children be the best they can be! Thank you for your continued support.

MOTHERS' DAY

Letters were sent home for the Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea event on Friday. There will be one on Friday 1st March and one on Friday 8th March to ensure no one misses out. Please return your slip on Monday if you would like to attend. **The deadline to request tickets is Tuesday 27th February.**

PATH TO PARIS PROGRAMME

There will be an email attached with details of how to get children more active. This starts on Monday 26th February and our unique code and log in details are:

<https://www.getset.co.uk/pathtoparis> Unique code 0867

YEAR 1

We will be walking to Memorial Park on Monday looking for signs of new life. We will be setting off at 1:30pm and will be approximately an hour. Please don't forget to send wellies.

YEAR 2

We are learning about Easter and why it is so important to us. We are also developing some great ideas for our Friendship Bench story. Ask your child about the new song they are singing.

CHANGE TO OUR LUNCH MENU ON THURSDAY

There will be a slight change to the menu next week. **Thursday 29th February** will be Chinese Style Chicken Curry with Rice or Quorn Sweet & Sour Chicken with Noodles. The extra options of sandwiches and Jacket potatoes will be available too! Rice Krispy Cakes for dessert ☺

CRAZY CRACKERS

For before/after school and holiday childcare, please email info@crazy-crackers.co.uk

HEARTS OF ST BART'S - P.T.F.A

Our friendly PTA are looking for parents to join them! It is a chance to share views and make suggestions as part of our school community. If you would like more information, please do not hesitate get in touch via email:

heartsofstbarts@gmail.com

RECEPTION INVITATION FOR MOTHERS' DAY

We have started to prepare our Mothers' Day Worship so your child may come home singing our Mothers' Day themed songs. You are invited to come into school on:
Friday 8th March at 9am

YEAR 5

We have been writing letters to managers of local football teams to explain that footballs are being made by children as young as 5 in some countries around the world. Children are suffering poor working conditions, and missing out on an education. Our letters are to persuade people to buy Fairtrade balls.

EYFS

This week, we started our new topic – 'People Who Help Us'. On Monday, we had some special visitors from the fire service. We asked them questions to find out how they help people and they showed us some of the equipment they use. They were happy to let us use their fire hose so we felt like real fire fighters! We have used our new firefighting skills this week. We put on our fire helmets and worked as a team to put out a fire in our investigation area. We also used water bottles as firehoses in our outside area. We are very excited to see who will visit us next!

WORLD BOOK DAY – THURSDAY 7th MARCH

We are very excited about our 'World Book Day'. The theme is Harry Potter and we have connected the theme to extra events for the day. There will be a special Harry Potter Lunch serving Hagrid's Hot Dogs, served with Potter's Pomme Noisettes and Weasley's Beans or Voldemort's veg. There will also be Hogwarts Hot Jackets and Severus Snape's Sandwiches with Bertie Botts Jelly Bean Muffins for dessert!

We will have a special 'Harry Potter' visitor on the day and there will be a PTA 'Harry Potter Sweet Shop' towards the end of the day with a PTA Film night after school, serving hot food, ice-lollies and a drink. More details of how this will all work with timings etc. will be sent out early next week.

Don't forget, if your child does not want to dress up, they can always come as a muggle.

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY PLACES

If you have applied for a Primary school place, you should be notified of your place on Tuesday 16th April. For secondary schools, it is Friday 1st March.

TRIPS

Reception – Blackpool Zoo / Monday 20th May
Y3 - Stump Cross Caverns / Tuesday 11th June
Y4 - Lancaster Castle / Thursday 13th June
Y5 - Jorvick Viking Centre / Tuesday 18th June
Y2 – Kenyon Hall Farm / Wednesday 19th June

HOP, SKIP & JUMP

We have signed up for the Hop, Skip and Jump event again this year to raise money for East Lancs Hospice. It is a fun event for the children and every child will receive a fundraising pack, sponsor form, activity book, an Easter Crown to decorate, chocolate and a certificate. The event will take place in April – The date will be confirmed in the next few weeks.