



St Bartholomew's C.E. Primary School

"Follow Jesus in all we do"

Jesus Predicts His Death

²¹ From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. ²² Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" ²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns." ²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. ²⁶ What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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Dear Parents/Carers,

8th September 23

A huge welcome to all our new children in school this week and welcome back to all our classes. It has been a lovely first week back in school, everyone has settled perfectly! All our children look so smart and we are very proud of each and every one of them!

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.

TEACHERS2PARENTS / SCHOOL MONEY

Everyone should now have access to School Money and receive updates via text message and email. If you are not receiving messages, please let the school office know and we will check all your details. You can access the School SHOP through School Money, this will enable you to purchase various uniform items and collect from the office at your earliest convenience.

MEET THE TEACHER

A letter has gone home via email to invite parents and carers to 'Meet the Teacher' **on Tuesday 12th September** – Time slots of 5:30pm and 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you then ☺

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

Knowledge organisers were sent home via email earlier this week. These are very informative and give you details of what topics will be covered in class during the term, what day your child will be doing P.E, when homework is due and lots more. If you haven't received this, please contact the school office via telephone or email m.gaston@st-barts.lancs.sch.uk

PHONICS & EARLY READING

A letter has gone home today to invite parents of EYFS and Year 1 into school on **Tuesday 19th September at 6:00pm.**

ZUMBA YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

We have booked a Zumba instructor to deliver an after school club on a Monday. Letters have gone home today but places are limited to 20. The course starts on Monday 18th September for 5 weeks and will cost £20 per child – cash payments only.

YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY

Letters were sent home for Bikeability this week for Year 6 pupils. Please complete and return the form as soon as possible. If your child does not have a bike or helmet at home, we can request one for them (please indicate this on the form). More information will be sent home closer to the time.

ACCRINGTON STANLEY – YEAR 3

A letter has been sent home to all Year 3 children with details of their upcoming visit to Accrington Stanley Football Club on **Wednesday 27th September**. Please sign and return the slip as soon as possible to enable us to confirm the finer details for transport and number of shirts.

AMAZING START - EYFS

We are incredibly proud of our EYFS children for their first full week in school with us. They have listened carefully and adapted quickly to school life. They have all shown such a positive attitude to school and we can't wait to see them develop throughout the year! Could you please send wellies for us to keep in school for your child all year round. Also, if you have not yet signed up for Tapestry, please do, as we send lots of pictures and information through here.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

A letter has gone home today to invite Grandparents into school for 'Coffee & Cake' on **Friday 29th September at 2:45pm**. If you would like to come into school for a hot/cold drink and a cake/ biscuit with your grandchild, please ensure slips are returned before Thursday 14th September to allow us to organise the afternoon. If we have a lot of interest, we may have to do this over two afternoons but we will let you know.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – 29th SEPTEMBER

Our coffee morning will take place on **Friday 29th September at 9:30am**. We will send a reminder via text message on Thursday 28th to remind you ☺

READING FOR YEAR 2 AND KS2

A letter will go home next week, inviting parents of Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 into school on **Tuesday 26th September at 6pm** for an informal early reading meeting. Please return the slip to confirm.

APPLYING FOR SCHOOLS

If you are applying for schools for next year, the dates are below for your reference.

The deadline to apply for **secondary schools** is **31st October 2023**. Offer letters will be sent out via Pupil Access on 1st March 2024.

The deadline to apply for **primary schools** is **15th January 2024**. Offer letters will be sent out via Pupil Access on 15th April 2024.

GREAT START!

We have had a great start to the school year this week. Everyone has settled back in nicely. Every class has started the term off with something new and exciting, from curiosity boxes to music from famous composers and pretending to be weather forecasters. The children are learning lots about 'Our World' as part of their new topic. We are very excited for this term and looking forward to finding out who our special visitor will be for Diversity week!

DIVERSITY WEEK – 9th OCTOBER

Parents are invited into school on **Friday 13th October**, to see what their child has been learning about. Reminders will be sent out via text message closer to the time.

ATTENDANCE

A massive well done to our Year 2 class for achieving 100% attendance this week. St Bart's Bear will join them in class for the week and the children will be able to choose from a selection of rewards for the whole class!

CRAZY CRACKERS

If you are looking for childcare before and after school, Crazy Crackers offers this in our school until 6pm. If you would like an information pack, please ask at the school office or email m.gaston@st-barts.lancs.sch.uk

Y3 & Y4 CHEERLEADING 3.30-4.30

Letters have gone out today for the after school club on Thursdays. If your child would like a place, please don't delay returning the slip as places are limited to 15.

TESCO TOKENS

Please don't forget to pop your Tesco tokens in the St Bart's box at either the Great Harwood or Colne store. We are hoping we are in with a chance of winning as part of our plan to offer responsibility and leadership to our older pupils in school.

MUSICAL THEATRE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Descendants started today after school and will run until 13th October. The final session invites parents at 3.30.

Y5 & Y6 FOOTBALL – 8am

Letters have gone out today for the football club. Please return slips on Monday for a place.