St Bart's Quick Guide To: St Barts Vision

Background

Our vision was created by staff and children using an acronym of BARTS. It reflects our Christian ethos and is applicable to children, parents and adults from any faith to include all our school family.

Our Vision

Our Vision – we are learning today to be successful tomorrow

B–Believe	**We believe we will flourish in God's family.**
A–Achieve	**We know that everyone at St Bart's can achieve.**
R–Respect	**We respect everyone in our school family.**
T–Together	**Together we support and help each other.**
S–Succeed	**As part of God's family we support everybody to succeed.**

Our vision is a theologically rooted Christian vision enabling pupils and adults to flourish using the parable of The Lost Sheep. The Parable of *the Lost Sheep* is one of the parables of Jesus. It appears in the Gospels of Matthew (Matthew 18:12–14) and Luke (Luke 15:3–7).

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Our vision underpins all the work we do in school and our school improvement priorities link closely to our vision

B–Believe

We believe we will flourish in God's family.

- Worship Council
- Pupil Parliament
- PSHE
- RE
- Special Visits
- Events
- Celebrations
- Spirituality

A–Achieve

We know that everyone at St Bart's can achieve.

- SEND
- Inclusion
- EAL
- Curriculum
- Oracy
- Communication
- Friendly Award

R–Respect

We respect everyone in our school family.

- The wellbeing of all our children and staff is very important
- New school rules
- British Values
- PSHE lessons
- Food ambassadors

T–Together

Together we support and help each other.

- Safeguarding
- Staff Wellbeing
- TA Team
- Cluster
- Family of Schools
- Attendance
- Interventions
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S–Succeed

As part of God's family we support everybody to succeed

- Attributes
- Aspirations
- Cultural Capital
- Transition work
- Courageous advocacy
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The Parable of The Lost Sheep

There once lived a shepherd who had a flock of a hundred sheep. He loved every one of his sheep and even named them. Every night, he counted his sheep to make sure he had a hundred. Everyday he would help his sheep find the best green grass to eat and look for nice clean water to drink. This wasn't easy because sometimes dangerous animals, like bears and lions, would come along to try and hurt his sheep. The shepherd was brave and protected the sheep, chasing all the dangerous animals away. If a sheep wandered away from the flock, he would call out the sheep's name. When the sheep heard the shepherd's voice, they would run back to the shepherd.

One evening, the shepherd took his sheep home and began counting his sheep. He only counted ninety-nine sheep. One was missing. The shepherd left his ninety-nine sheep in a safe place and went looking for his one lost sheep. The shepherd looked for hours behind bushes and in deep valleys. He would look everywhere until he found the one lost sheep. Finally, he found the one lost sheep. He lifted it onto his shoulders and carried him back to the other ninety-nine sheep. Now the shepherd could be happy because all of the sheep were safe.

After Jesus told this story, he told his friends that God does not look at one person and say "This person is important so they are the greatest in the kingdom of heaven or this person is not important so they are the least important in the kingdom of heaven." He told his friends that every person, even the little child standing next to him, is important to God and he does not want one single person to be lost.