

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

It is nearly the last week of term and we hope you are all well considering the global crisis that has affected us all. If you require any help with anything before the end of term please call the office and we will do all we can to support you.

## Updates

### **Returning to school**

We are now only able to accept children whose parents are key workers as we have very limited space left and anyone wanting a place may have to go on a waiting list. Please call school if you are a key worker and require a place in the last few weeks for your child.

### **Bringing and collecting your children**

Can we please remind you that an adult must bring children to school unless they are in year 6. Whilst on the school site children must remain with their parent at all times, this includes at the end of the day. If you are collecting children from around school, all your children must remain with you. Please do not let your children play in the playground. This is for their safety and we thank you for your co-operation.

### **Bicycles**

If your child rides their bike to school they must always wear a helmet.

**Remember if your child or anyone in your house develops symptoms of COVID19 they must stay away from school and must be tested, using the track and trace system. School can help you with this if needed. You must inform school if anyone in your household has symptoms.**

### **Working from home**

The final work pack is now available for collection and we continue to put work on our website. If you would like to order one please call the office. There are also links to lots of useful websites that can be used for additional work and to support your child's wellbeing, including how to keep safe online.

### **Reports**

Reports, which include your child's teacher next year are available for collection on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at the main entrance, between 10.00 am and 2.00pm. If you want to discuss anything about this once you have read it please contact school and we will arrange for a telephone consultation.

### **September**

#### **Opening**

**As all schools, we are waiting for further guidance from the government and local authority about how and when schools will open. We hope that we can open to all children (nursery to year 6) from the 7<sup>th</sup> September. We will update you and provide details on opening and new safety measures as soon as we can.**

#### **Lunches**

From the beginning of next term, school dinners will cost £10 per week. You must pay for dinners on a Monday. We are still subsidising these to keep the cost below the average for Leeds schools.

## Card Payment

You can now pay for meals and any other items by card at the school office. This was at the request of many of you who wanted an alternative to cash payments.

## After School Club (if schools return to normal)

From September, there will be very limited space in our After School Club. We will give priority to those who need it and you will need to complete a new registration form and sign a contract before your child/children can attend. For the first term, the payment will be £3 per child per night. We will review the costings for the spring term.

The club relies on the staff who are willing to work after school and is subsidised by school, which is why it is such excellent value for money, much more competitive than other childcare options.

If you would like to register for after school club please ask at the office **after the 6<sup>th</sup> of July** when registration forms will be available, these must be returned by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of July. We can also email this to you. We will inform you before the end of term if we have allocated your child/children a place for the start of the new school year and ask you to sign a contract.

**The club will be closing at 5.45pm from September, Monday to Thursday and at 5.30pm on a Friday.**

## Breakfast Club (if school returns to normal)

From September breakfast club will continue to run and the cost will remain the same, £2.00 per week per child, or free for those on benefit related free school meals.

We will be asking parents to complete a registration form and sign a contract in the first few weeks. Children can arrive between 7am and 8:15am when the doors will close and children will have to wait until 8:30am to enter school. **Reminder all children up to and including year 4 must be registered every day by an adult.**

**URGENT      Please contact school if you have not already**

If your child is entitled to benefits free school meals, the school **must** have an up to date email address for you to enable us to register you for the governments voucher scheme over the holidays **or** you must have told us which supermarket you want the vouchers for and we can print them for you.

**Please call the office if you have not already.**

***If we do not have the requested information by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, we will not be able to order the vouchers for you. No exceptions can be made.***

## Weekly Stars

Divine, Ella, Isabella

Ana Maria, Alex, Hamza

Salma

Ruby

Peyton

Toni, Tamisha

Harley, Delcia, Heidi, Alexis, Reagan