

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

## 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

The children have continued to settle well into their new classes and when I walk round school are enjoying their lessons and working hard. If you have any questions or need to discuss anything about the new term please see the senior teacher in charge of the year group.

Nursery/Reception – Mrs Brown/Mrs Ingleson

Years 1 & 2 Miss McCaffrey

Years 3 & 4 Mr Waters

Years 5 & 6 Mr Needham

## Parent's Survey

The detailed analysis is now on the website; please ask if you have any questions. We will keep you informed of the actions we will be taking over the next year.

## Year 6 Parents

All parents of Year 6 children will have received within their Applying to Secondary School pack from Leeds, a leaflet informing them about the 0-19 Public Health Integrated Nursing Service undertaking the National Childhood Measurement Programme (NCMP). The number was incorrect on the leaflet. Your child now has a new leaflet.

## Saving the Environment

From now on, we will send letters that need to go out to the whole school via the eldest child. This is so we do not need to copy as many and use as much paper and so you do not have multiple copies of the same letter. We will also put all letters on our website.



## Punctuality it is vital that your children attend school every day and on time.

All children from Reception to Year 6 must be in class **by 8.50am** when they take the register. All lessons start at 9am. When a child is late, it is upsetting for them and results in them missing the start of lessons, which affects their learning. It also disrupts the rest of the children. It has an impact on the office staff, as they cannot do their normal jobs when they have to process the late children.

Nursery children should be in for 8.30am so please drop your Nursery child off first. Their session is 8.30-11.30am, three hours. If your child is late in Nursery it means a member of staff has to leave the nursery unit to collect them and this is not appropriate.

**From Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September will be starting to close Nursery doors at 8.40am to enable them to start their session.**

For all children in school a late mark after the register closes is counted as an absence for that session and may lead to further action from school, the local authority and potential fines.

**IF YOU NEED TO DISCUSS YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE OR NEED SUPPORT PLEASE ASK**

## Parking

We have already had problems with parking outside school and complaints from parents and local residents. Please do not block people's driveways and take care of pedestrians. We know it is busy and ask where possible you walk to school but where this is not please take care and park in the correct places, not on curbs or yellow lines. Thank you

## COVID Update

We have had a few positive cases in school but the NHS now manage tracking close contacts and decide if anyone needs to isolate, they will contact you directly. We will inform you if there is a case in your child's class but this is so you know to be especially vigilant and monitor for symptoms. **It does not mean your child should stay at home.** In school we still follow strict cleaning guidelines and other measures, the full school risk assessment is on the website.

## Flu Immunisations Consent Form

Please return your consent form by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September, you still need to return your form if you do not give consent, Thank you.

## Headlice

Head Lice are a common problem in school aged children. They can't be prevented, but regular checking ensures early detection and treatment if necessary. Parents and carers should check their children's head once a week during hair washing. You need your usual shampoo, conditioner, and a detection comb – ask your local pharmacist to recommend a suitable one. Remember that you are looking for living moving lice, which is the only evidence that your child is infected. If you find a living louse, sellotape it to a piece of light coloured paper and take it to your local pharmacy (Leeds only) who will advise you and can provide free Hedrin lotion under the Pharmacy First Minor Ailments Scheme. Combs are available from the office.

## Best Classes in School

These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour.

KS1 – Class 8



KS2 – Class 17

## Attendance Winners

This week the attendance award goes to:

KS1- Class 7

KS2- Class 10



## Headteachers Awards – Well done to these children who have had a great week in school.



The teachers in school this week have decided these children have worked particularly hard this week and should receive a special mention and certificate, presented on a Friday afternoon in our assembly. Well done!

Class1: Ayesha

Class 2: Chelsea

Class 3: Chikamso

Class 4: Esa

Class 6: Chimamanda

Class 7: Angelica

Class 8: Ella

Class 12: Cherish

Class14: Stacey

Class 19: Jakub

## Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** - Oh, how wonderful it is to be back! The children are exploring all the provision that we have, they are beginning to make friends, learn the routines that we have in place and are having fun!

Photographs of the children at play are on the website and twitter, these are updated weekly so that you can see all that goes on in Nursery. We are reading books about sharing and one of our main core books is Lucy Ladybird which incorporates many of the skills that we are developing- sharing, positivity, helping others, numbers, colours and building self-esteem and empathy for others. I have put the link to the story on Youtube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U82FCEPEfYY>

**Reception** – In Reception this week we have been very creative with materials. We have made some fantastic models. In Maths we have been learning about numbers to 10 and exploring them. Our theme is 'Once Upon a Time' and we have enjoyed reading some well known stories. We have also been practicing our writing and drawing skills using our whiteboards and pens.

**Year 2** - Year 2 have had a fantastic start to the year. They have been learning about castles in English, writing sentences about castles and learning lots of new interesting vocabulary. In maths they have been learning about place value and have been partitioning 2 digit numbers into tens and ones. In Art they have learnt about the artist Leonid Afremov, who painted fabulous colourful castles with large brushstrokes and have been learning to mix secondary colours.

**Year 4** - This week, Year 4 have been reading the book 'Oliver Twist', alongside our studies about the Victorians. In science, we have been learning about how sound travels and in Geography we have been looking at the population of Leeds and how it has changed. In maths, year 3 have been developing their knowledge of hundreds, tens and ones, whilst year 4 have been looking at rounding numbers and placing numbers on a number line. In music, we have started to learn how to play the recorder!

**Year 5** - In English we have enjoyed learning about Biographies and Neil Armstrong. In Maths, we have been learning about place value and rounding. In History, we have enjoyed creating a timeline of the sinking of the Titanic.

**Year 6** - We have enjoyed learning about Anne Frank in English and how to answer inference questions. In Maths, we have looked at rounding numbers and completing work on negative numbers. In PE, children have enjoyed developing their football and dodgeball skills.

### **High School Applications**

The deadline for high school applications is the 31st of October. Please ring school and ask to speak to Mr Needham if you require assistance in completing the online form.

### **School Dates:**

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021	School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021	School Opens at 8.30am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	School Closes for Christmas Break at 3.30pm
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	School opens at 8.30am

### **Training days 2021-2022**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022