

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

15th October 2021

Another week over and one closer to half term. We do not close for half term until Friday 22nd October and we reopen on Monday 1st November. If your children have a place in play scheme please make sure you hand the confirmation slip and payment to the office by Thursday 21st October.



Breakfast and After School Club Reminders

Payments must be made on a Monday for that week; many parents now pay for the half term in advance, which is helpful. If you do not pay, your place will be withdrawn. We have a long waiting list for both clubs; we are trying our best to help all families who need this provision.

Parent Consultations – Following your feedback and in consultation with the staff, we have decided to offer either a telephone consultation or a face-to-face meeting this term.

Tuesday 9th November

3.30-5pm KS2 – telephone calls
3.30pm-7pm KS1 face-to-face meetings

Wednesday 10th November

3.30-5pm KS1 – telephone calls
3.30-7pm KS2 face-to-face meetings

This will require detailed organisation and timed sessions, we will send out a letter and booking form after the half term break. We will review how we manage parent consultations in the future and are looking into the possibility of a virtual system.

Nursery Places – We currently have Nursery places and have had an increased interest from parents for places in the future. We are now a 39-place Nursery and expect to be full in the summer term. If you have a 3 year old who you want to come to our Nursery, please come and register them as soon as possible.

Harvest Collection- It is not too late to bring donations to school. We are supporting local groups through Father Michael and any donations will be greatly appreciated. Please take anything to your child's class.

THANK YOU



Reception places September 2022



The application window for September 2022 opens on the 1st November. Parents must apply online. All parents must apply and being in our Nursery does not automatically mean your child will be allocated a place in our Reception. We will send out more information and there will be information on our website after half term. If you need help with this please ask.

COVID Update- It is a worrying time for everyone and we are trying our best in school to keep everyone safe. We will be asking all children to be tested if they display any of the main symptoms. Please make sure you inform school of any absence and provide details of why they are not in school. This week we have had 1 more positive case and we continue to follow all the guidelines.



Hello Yellow Day -Thank you to everyone joining in with Hello Yellow Day. Not only did we raise £322 for charity but the children and staff took the time to discuss the importance of looking after our mental health in many different ways and how it is important to talk to someone if you need help. Please see our website and Twitter for what the classes did last Friday.

Best Classes in School- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 7** **KS2 – Class 18**



Attendance Winners

This week the attendance award goes to:

KS1- Class 2

KS2- Class 11



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!



<i>Class 1 Bella</i>	<i>Class 2 Aayan</i>	<i>Class 3 Suzie</i>	<i>Class 4 Ibrahim</i>	<i>Class 5 Ahmed</i>
<i>Class 6 Elaine</i>	<i>Class 7 Aayana</i>	<i>Class 8 Yusaf</i>	<i>Class 9 Israel</i>	<i>Class 10 Ibrahim</i>
<i>Class 11 Ojie</i>	<i>Class 12 Colby</i>	<i>Class 13 Fiza</i>	<i>Class 14 Maria</i>	<i>Class 17 Alfie</i>
<i>Class 18 Salahuddin</i>				

Weekly Round Up

Reception - This week in reception we have been continuing repeated patterns. We have enjoyed making repeated patterns fruit kebabs and continuing colour patterns using counters, bead strings and potato printing. After doing such a great job learning the Goldilocks story we have started learning 'The Gingerbread man' using a story map and actions. We have sequenced the story using pictures and have used our phonic knowledge to write simple words. We have had lots of fun exploring all the Autumn objects collected and have been creating leaf pictures and crowns. Look out for photos on the website.

Year 1- This week Year 1 have enjoyed learning about different houses. We have enjoyed painting different houses, making different houses in the construction and writing about our houses in English. The children did a great job of writing simple sentences to describe their house and bedroom. In History, we learnt about houses in the past and compared them to houses today. In Maths the children have been learning about number bonds to 10. They used the tens frame and numicon to help them. They showed a super understanding!

Year 2 – Year 2 have started reading The Paper Bag Princess and using the conjunction but to compare the characters. In Math's they are continuing to add, applying their knowledge of number patterns showing 10 more and less than. In Science Year 2 have been comparing materials, describing and discussing their capability to do their job. (Would a wooden window be a good choice?) The Year 2 staff would also like to thank you for your generous Harvest Festival contributions.

Year 3 & 4 – This week, Years 3 and 4 have had a brilliant time on our school trip. We went to Armley Mills to visit a Victorian schoolroom. It was very different to what modern day schools are like. Whilst we were there, a Victorian teacher made us do handwriting and times tables. It was very strict. We also got to do some Geography fieldwork as we made sketch drawings of local features, such as the canal. This trip has been very useful, and we will be doing some writing about it in our English lessons very soon. To see the pictures from the day, please see the school website.

Year 6 – In English, we have enjoyed comparing the two characters Mr Tom and William and investigating similes, metaphors and personification. In Maths, we have looked at long division and in History we have completed our own propaganda posters.

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