

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

11th February 2022

This week has seen a reduction in the number of children off school with COVID which is great news. It is lovely to see them when I walk round school, they are always so happy to be in school and enjoy their learning.



Mobile Phones - We only allow children who come to school or go home by themselves bring in their phones. They should only bring them on the days they need them and they **MUST** be handed to their teacher. An increasing number of children are coming to school wearing smart watches, we ask that they do not, they are often expensive and are not appropriate for school.

Online Safety - This is a very important issue and can be the cause of serious problems, it also can be misused and cause upset and distress. It can also put children at risk. Please support the work we do in school and encourage your child to be careful when using any social media and the internet. It is recommended that you check what your child's social media accounts regularly and ensure they are only accessing and using age appropriate Apps.

Ways to keep in touch - It is not always easy to come to school and see a member of staff, it is busy at the beginning and end of the day and you often have not got the time to wait around. We want you to be able to ask questions and contact staff if you need to as we value the good relationship between parents and school and want you to know we are always here to help. To make it easier and to save you having to arrange a meeting when you do not have the time or need to we have set up emails so you can contact the leaders of each phase. This will allow you to email questions or queries, they will then be able to ensure you receive a response and any action can be taken.



If it is an urgent matter or you would rather see someone you should contact school or come in and make an appointment if we cannot see you immediately.

reception@stbartsleeds.org.uk (please use this to contact Mrs Brown about nursery or reception)

year1year2@stbartsleeds.org.uk

year3year4@stbartsleeds.org.uk

year5year6@stbartsleeds.org.uk

Free School Meals- For those children who are entitled to benefits related free school meals there will be a £15 voucher available for the half term holiday. This will be ready for collection next Friday, 18th February, 8.30-9am and 3-3.30pm outside the main entrance. They must be collected and signed for by a parent/carer. Please collect them on this day when you drop off or collect your child. Thank you

Confirmed positive cases new this week:

Year Group	Cases - Pupils
Nursery	0
Reception	0
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	1
5	0
6	0
Staff	1

Something new Mrs Wainwright learned this week

Two children in Year 2, Esme and Betty brought me some fantastic work they had done at home about the Great Fire of London. It is amazing that children in Year 2 are already completing extra work at home. What a fantastic attitude! I learned that the fire was started by a man named Thomas and that it made over 70 000 people homeless.

Best Classes in School- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 6** **KS2 – Class 13**



Attendance Winners

This week the attendance award goes to:

KS1- Class 2

KS2- Class 14



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

The teachers in school 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!



Class 1 Alfie

Class 2 Izaan

Class 3 Isabella

Class 4 Lamaisah

Class 5 Aliza

Class 8 Esme

Class 9 Oscar

Class 10 Gracious

Class 11 Sulaiman

Class 12 Leo

Class 13 Tofunmi

Class 14 Daniel

Class 15 Noah

Class 16 Alex

Class 17 Matt

Class 18 Shannon

Class 19 Natalia

Weekly Round Up

Reception – In Reception this week we have been learning all about the winter Olympics. We have enjoyed competing in races and joining in with the welly Wang in the outdoor area. In maths we have been thinking about measure and have used footsteps to measure the distance of our welly throw. We have been cutting ribbon, ordering it by length and measuring it using cubes. This week in phonics we have been learning some really difficult phase 3 sounds 'er, air and ure'. We have been trying really hard to read words and sentence and write words using our phoneme frames.

Year 1 – This week children have continued their topic in DT by practicing different sewing techniques to get them ready for making their own hand puppets. All children in Classes 4 & 5 have really enjoyed their bikeability sessions. Class 6 will begin their sessions on Tuesday next week. Thank you to all children who have completed their homework and handed in their green spelling books- there were lots of reward points earned this week!

Year 3 & 4 – This week, Years 3 and 4 have been reading a poem called 'I'm walking with my iguana' to link with our rainforest topic. We have developed our reading fluency and have explored the pace and rhythm of the poem whilst performing it. In Geography, we have been learning why rainforests are so hot and wet. We have enjoyed learning about the Mardi Gras festival during our French lessons. In Music, we have been working with a teacher called Lala, who is helping us explore rainforest sounds. We also performed our gymnastics final pieces after putting lots of moves together over the past week. We also had some visitors in school to talk to us about the building industry. It inspired us and we even got a book to take away from the session.

Year 5 & 6 – In Year 5, children have enjoyed learning about climate change in English and Geography. Children have also continued with their recycled Art projects. In Year 6, children tried very hard with tests this week and should be proud of their efforts. Children have also enjoyed making Islamic pattern tiles in Art. Class 19 are continuing to work on their swimming skills at the leisure centre - Mr Needham was very impressed when he took the class swimming.

Homework- It is very important that children complete their homework in the week. Children are given homework on a Monday, which is due in every Friday.

School Dates:

Friday 18th February 2022

School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm

Monday 28th February 2022

School opens at 8.30am

Friday 1st April 2022

School Closes for Easter Break at 3.30pm

Tuesday 19th April 2022

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 29th April 2022

School Closes for May Bank Holiday at 3.30pm

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 27th May 2022

School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm