

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

**4<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

It is great to see the children back in school after half term, it is a short half term and we hope it becomes increasingly normal and less affected by COVID. I have been following St Bart's on Twitter and have seen some fantastic things the children have been doing. Have a look! [@StBartsCofE](#)

**Latest Guidance** - Government advice is still that your child should stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have tested positive for COVID-19 or have COVID-19 symptoms. If your child is symptomatic, they should get a PCR test as soon as possible. If they test positive we will still provide remote education if they are well enough and a device for this if required.

**Uniform and Baby Bank** - We had nearly 60 families respond to the survey we sent out which was great, thank you. The results were very positive, 97% thought offering second hand uniform was a good idea and most said they would contribute to a Baby Bank if they could. As a result of your feedback we have decided to move forward with both ideas. We have always provided second hand uniform to people who needed it but we hope to have a regular event when we offer any uniform we have. Of course if you need help at any time we will if we can, just ask. This will start after Easter, date to follow.

**PLEASE DONATE ANY UNIFORM YOU NO LONGER NEED TO SCHOOL, THIS INCLUDES TRAINERS/SHOES IN GOOD CONDITION. THIS CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE MAIN OFFICE.**

We will shortly send out information about how we plan to organise and collect for a Baby Bank. This will be a new venture for us and we hope to be able to open this after the new school year.

**ASC/BC/Dinner Money Payments** - **The office staff are still having to spend too much time following up and processing late payments and it is impacting on their education related responsibilities.** These payments must be made on a Monday for that week or can be paid for in advance for the half term or several weeks. Payments in cash or by card are accepted from 7am-5.30pm on a Monday.

**You must pay promptly – thank you**

**Parents Consultation** - If you returned your form on time you should have received an appointment time for your face to face meeting with your child's teacher. We apologise if the time is not what you asked for but we cannot see everyone at the same time and some times are very popular. If you asked for a call that will be between 3.30-5pm on the allocated day.

If you have any questions or need any further help or information please see Mrs Wainwright, I am on duty most days outside the main entrance 8.30-8.50am and 3.10-3.30pm or you can call or email:

**headteacher@stbartsleeds.org.uk**

In the summer term we will be once again asking your views, this will be a short survey about parent's consultations in the new school year when the world will hopefully have returned to normal. We are keen to make sure all parents take the opportunity to speak to their child's teacher.

**Best Classes in School**- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 4** **KS2 – Class 14**



## **Attendance Winners**

This week the attendance award goes to:

**KS1- Class 8**

**KS2- Class 19**



## 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!



<i>Class 1 Gursneha</i>	<i>Class 2 Rachael</i>	<i>Class 3 William</i>	<i>Class 4 James</i>	<i>Class 5 Kevalli</i>
<i>Class 6 Jersey-Jane</i>	<i>Class 7 Arriyanna</i>	<i>Class 8 Nela</i>	<i>Class 9 Jasnoor</i>	<i>Class 10 Avah</i>
<i>Class 11 Alex</i>	<i>Class 12 Haki</i>	<i>Class 13 Sonny</i>	<i>Class 14 Maddelynn</i>	<i>Class 15 Jenny</i>
<i>Class 16 Adam</i>	<i>Class 17 Chelsea</i>	<i>Class 18 Luke</i>	<i>Class 19 Lavelle</i>	

### Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** – We have had a great first week back, we have had pancakes, doughnuts and a story teller. The children that were in on Shrove Tuesday made pancakes and decided what filling they wanted. They watched the pancakes been flipped by Jamie Oliver and Miss Stead! The most popular filling was chocolate, followed by syrup, honey and finally jam. We had a tally chart which showed us how many children had each flavour. The children who attend later in the week had doughnuts to accompany our story Norman the Slug with the Silly Shell. All the children enjoyed their visit from the story teller who used voice, instruments, song and dance to tell stories to entertain the children. Photographs of all this can be seen on the website, twitter and your children's Learning Journals.

**Year 1-** Welcome back to a new half term with many exciting things planned. This week children have started to learn about the farm as part of their topic called 'Roots, Shoots and Muddy Boots'! Children have looked at the different types of farms in Geography lessons and also the goods that farms produce. In Art children have started their topic of sculpture and looked at the American Sculptor Augusta Savage. Can we please remind you that on PE day's children need to come to school in PE kit including trainers or pumps. Recently there have been children coming to school in boots and slip on shoes which are dangerous if worn for PE. Thank you for your support with this.

**Year 2-** Year 2 have enjoyed book week, they have dressed up as their favourite character, completed book reviews and had a visit from an author. In English we have been learning about apostrophes for contraction and 2D shapes in maths, learning their names, their sides, vertices and lines of symmetry. In science we have started to learn about plants and what they need to survive, asking and answering scientific questions.

**Year 3 & 4** – This half term, Years 3 and 4 are investigating The Stone Age era. This week, we have enjoyed a workshop from a Stone Age visitor, where we got to see stone and flint tools, learn about shelters and learned how the Stone Age people hunted for food and cooked. We looked at a range of artifacts to tell us more about this time period. In lessons, we also explored some Stone Age poo! This helped us understand what the people may have eaten! Look at the website for pictures! In English lessons, we have started to read our new book: The Great Kapok Tree.

**Year 5 & 6 – Bikeability** - Children in Year 5 will be taking part in Bikeability sessions:

Week beginning 7th March: Class 14

Week beginning 14th March: Class 15

Week beginning 21st March: Class 16

In English, children have enjoyed exploring the similarities and differences between fiction and non-fiction texts. In Maths, children have worked on adding and subtracting fractions. In Year 6, children have enjoyed working on forming expressions in Maths. In Geography, children have started to explore Leeds using child friendly maps.

**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 1st April 2022

School Closes for Easter Break at 3.30pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

School Closes for May Bank Holiday at 3.30pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm