# **ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS**

# "Excellent attendance is vital for children to flourish and achieve"

# 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Attendance - Aiming High!

We hope this year will be at or over our target of 96% by July. Please make sure your child comes to school every day unless they are too unwell to attend. It is currently at for the whole school 94.2% and Reception to Year 6 94.4%, but a fantastic summer term will get us to the target.

Small legs with big hearts for UKRAINE - One of our families is raising money by doing a sponsored bike ride, this includes one of our year 2 children. Please use the link below if you would like to donate. Small legs with big hearts for UKRAINE, organized by Melanie Smith



Easter Raffle – Please buy a ticket, all the proceeds go to support the Ukraine as all the eggs have been donated by the staff. The final day for paying for the raffle is Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Thank you

Twitter account- Please follow St Bart's on Twitter, we would like as many parents to follow us as possible. It is one way you can see what has been happening in school. @StBartsCofE



<u>School Milk</u> - If you want your child to receive milk next term, you must complete and return the form by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Late requests cannot be accepted. Please ask at the office if you need another form.

Asda Vouchers – There are no vouchers for the Easter holiday. This was a government scheme that has now stopped.

## Any concerns, please talk to us about it!

Please remember that we have a zero tolerance policy regarding parents verbally abusing our staff. I know that you can become frustrated at times and are sometimes not happy about things that happen in school but that is no excuse for being rude to or about any of the staff. Any concerns you have should be raised with the school and we always do everything we can to help and resolve the issue. Our senior staff are on duty at the beginning and end of every day or you can make an appointment. Luckily, this is not something that happens very often but it is very upsetting for the staff involved and any children who are present at the time. All the staff at St Bart's work very hard to support all our children and families and do not deliberately do anything to upset anyone.

#### Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Covid Cases this week- staff - 1, Year 6 -1, Year 2 -1.

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 11

## **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 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 Armaan Class 6 Elliott Class 12 Denzel Class 19 Mia T

Class 2 Maira Class 7 Stephen Class 14 Poppy

Class 3 Amaan Class 9 Nikodem Class 15 Milan

Class 4 Ibby Class 10 Sophia Class 17 Harry

Class 5 Kevalli Class 11 Oliwer Class 18 Lorenzo

#### Weekly Round Up

**Reception-** This week we were shocked to see how much the chicks have grown! They have even started growing feathers on their wings and they made us jump when they started running across the carpet flapping their wings! We have been reading the story Chicken Licken and have enjoyed making bird feeders to hang on our tree. We used lots of natural materials to make houses for our little chicks such as pebbles, sticks, leaves and logs. Next week we are going to be reading the story 'The Very Greedy Bee '. Can you find out any bee facts over the weekend?

**Year 1-** In English this week children have loved reading the story of Farmer Duck. They have studied and compared the different characters in the story. In Geography children have used their knowledge from their visit to the farm to look at how the different seasons effect life on the farm. Please see the school website for pictures of the children enjoying their visit to Meanwood Valley Urban Farm. In Science children are learning about different wild and garden plants. They have been encouraged to spot these at home or in their local area if possible.

**Year 2**-Year 2 went on a little blue bus tour of Leeds this week, just like London tourists go on a Big Red Bus tour of London. We saw, photographed and learnt about Leeds Town Hall, Leeds Arena, Leeds Kirkgate Market, the Recycling Centre and Elland Road. The children loved the trip and got to experience what it was like to be a tourist. Ask them about the landmarks of Leeds or London and see what they can tell you.

**Year 3 & 4** –This week, we have been amazed to learn about a lady called Julian Koepcke, who survived a plane crash that landed in the Amazon rainforest. We investigated her amazing story, which helped us in turn to write our own survival guide. In Maths, we have been checking on our learning over the term by doing some tests, which will tell our teachers what things we need to focus on for the rest of this year. In our French lessons, we have been learning a bit more about French culture and have been looking at how Easter is celebrated there. In Science we explored food chains and in our design technology lessons, we have been looking at the ingredients in a Brazilian dish.

**Year 5 & 6 – Bikeability** - Class 16 have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Bikeability. Well done all Year 5 children who have taken part in Bikeability over the past three weeks.

**Swimming** - Well done to all children who have taken part in swimming this term. There will be no swimming next week. Swimming will start again the week beginning 25th April. Class 19 have finished their swimming lessons and Class 18 will go swimming in the Summer Term. Letters will be handed out the first week back after the holidays.

HMP- HMP will finally happen for Years 5 and 6 in the first two weeks of the new term:

Class 17: Wednesday 20th April Class 18: Thursday 21st April Class 19: Friday 22nd April Class 16: Tuesday 26th April Class 15: Wednesday 27th April Class 14: Thursday 28th April

#### 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
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	School opens at 8.30am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Training Day- No Children in School
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022	School Closes for Summer Break at 3.30pm