

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

“Excellent attendance is vital for children to flourish and achieve”

HAPPY NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Welcome back to the new school year and what has been a great start for everyone, children and staff. It has been lovely to see the children return to school (some looking much taller and older). Most children are wearing school uniform and this is a fantastic start, if you need support with this please ask, we have a supply of good quality second hand uniform.

Each phase will soon be sending you a Quick Guide with all the information you will need but if you have any questions you can ask at the office or the doors in a morning and after school. The senior staff also have emails and will respond to your questions quickly.

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Attendance and Punctuality - This year we will be really focusing on attendance and punctuality and will be sending an updated Quick Guide out next week. It is very shocking how lateness and absence impacts your child's education. This year we are working with a new Attendance Officer and they will be supporting school where needed and this may include home visits.

New Logo - With this newsletter your child will receive a key fob showing the new school logo some of our children helped design. This can be used on their zips on winter coats or school bags.

Library Bus - As you will have seen by now we have a London bus in one of our playgrounds. This is nearly finished and will be a library bus where children will go with their class and some will be able to enjoy it at break and lunch times. It is a great addition to school and is one of our new libraries, over the next term we are turning one of our spare room in school into a library. This is an exciting addition and will help us develop our children's love of reading.

PE - We will be providing all children with a t-shirt over the next few weeks and a reminder about uniform. This is to be worn on the days they have PE.

Reporting Illnesses - We hope all our children remain well and are able to come to school every day. However, illnesses do happen. We expect as part of our attendance procedures that parents report illnesses as soon as possible on the first day of absence. This is increasingly important as we now have a number of children in school with significant medical conditions and certain illnesses, for example chicken pox can be very harmful. If your child does become ill with a specific illness, please let us know as soon as possible so we can inform identified parents and we can take any action required. Thank you for your support with this.

Bikes - If children come to school on a bike they must wear a helmet for their safety and protection. We have had a few incidents in the past where children have fallen off their bikes.

High School Applications – High school applications for children in Year 6 are now open (closing date is 31st October 2022) and you should have received information in the post regarding this. If you need any help with applying online for a high school - please contact school to speak to Mr Needham. Additional information from Leeds City Council, such as frequently asked questions, will be sent out on a Monday.

Flu Immunisation Consent Form – Your child will have come home with a letter please complete and return the form on or before Friday 15th September.

Safer School App - Please find below some details about the Safer Schools App. This provides a large amount of useful information about keeping your children safe. It covers many areas that you will find very helpful.



Safer Schools helps entire school communities to better protect themselves in the Digital World, through delivering contemporary and relevant safeguarding information to teachers, pupils, parents and carers. As a school we will be promoting and using this regularly.

The app is free to download (iOs and Android) and requires a pin to login. Once logged in, the information available is different for pupils and parents due to the nature of some of the content.

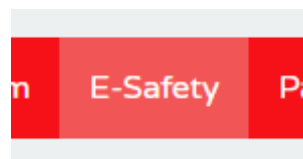
KS2 pupils can login to the app using this pin: 9342

The parent pin will be sent out via text message at some point during September 2022.

The Safer Schools app is a great resource and gives you access to a lot of useful information that will help you and your child to remain safe when online, please take advantage of this tool.

There is also section of the school website covering E-Safety. On there are parent's guides, links to useful websites and information on how to setup filtering at home.

The link to the E-Safety section is on the top menu bar of our website:



School Dates:

Thursday 22nd September 2022
Friday 21st October 2022
Monday 31st October 2022
Friday 16th December 2022
Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Friday 10th February 2023
Monday 20th February 2023

School Photos – More information to follow
School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm
School Opens 8.30am
School Closes Christmas Break at 3.30pm
School opens 8.30am
School Closes Half Term at 3.30pm
School Opens 8.30am

Training Days 2022-2023

Friday 18th November 2022
Friday 27th January 2023
Friday 23rd June 2023
Monday 24th July 2023
Tuesday 25th July 2023