

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

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

**21<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

We have already come to the end of the first half term. Time has gone very quickly and very soon it will be the end of the year. I would like to say what a great start it has been to the year and how well the children have settled in their new classes. I hope you all managed to speak to their teachers this week. I would like to thank you all for your continued support and hope we can continue to work hard together to ensure all our children come to school every day.

I would also like to thank all the staff who work so hard to ensure the children enjoy their time at school and continue to make great progress. I hope they all have a lovely half term.



**Well done Rebecca!** - It is lovely to hear about our children's achievements out of school. Rebecca is one of our younger children but has already won many medals for majorettes. If your children attend a club out of school and would like their achievements celebrated in our newsletter, please see Mrs Wainwright.

**Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week** - I really enjoyed hearing some of the historical narratives class 13 have written. They were fantastic.

**Worship** – Our current theme is **Generosity** and this week we have been celebrating harvest and how being generous at this time of year is so important. KS1 had worship in school led by the Worship Council and KS2 attended church. The Worship Council and a group of other children helped Mr Leadbeater with this and did a fantastic job. Thank you for all the donations of food, these will be given to local groups and charities.



**Special Bonfire Menu Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November:**

**Bangers & Beans**

**Vegetarian Bangers & Beans**

**Pizza Pinwheels**

**Tuna Sandwich**

If you would like your child to have a school dinner on this day to try our special menu and they usually have a packed lunch please order one at the office on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> October, the cost if you pay for dinners is £2.



**Remembrance Day** -Some parents have asked if we are selling poppies for Remembrance Day again this year. We will be selling poppies and a range of other items from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. More details will follow in the next newsletter.

**Attendance Awards** - Over the half term we will be looking at every child's attendance for this half term. You will all receive a letter and attendance report. Those children with excellent attendance will receive a certificate.

We will also announce the winners of the draw for all those children who received a ticket for being in school all week, some children have 7 tickets, fingers crossed they are a winner. We will be picking 8 tickets and the lucky winners receive a £10 Asda voucher for you and a prize for themselves.

We will then start again after the holiday.

**Card Games** - Can we kindly ask children not to bring in to school any form of cards, such as football cards, Pokémon cards etc. Thank you.



## **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 Pablo</i>	<i>Class 2 Harry</i>	<i>Class 3 Abdur</i>	<i>Class 4 Ayra</i>	<i>Class 5 Rimshah</i>
<i>Class 6 Kateeja</i>	<i>Class 7 Raheim</i>	<i>Class 8 Obay</i>	<i>Class 9 Riley</i>	<i>Class 10 Stephen</i>
<i>Class 11 Ananniya</i>	<i>Class 12 Alex</i>	<i>Class 13 Subhan</i>	<i>Class 14 Sonny</i>	<i>Class 15 Nina</i>
<i>Class 16 Joshua</i>	<i>Class 17 Nazarite</i>			

### **Whole School Attendance for Last Week:**

**Nursery: 85.3%**

**Reception to Year 6: 96%**

**Best Classes in School-** These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 3** **KS2 – Class 17**



### **Attendance Winners this week:**

**KS1 - Class 3 – 98.1%**

**KS2 – Class 10 & 17 99.2%**



### **Weekly Round Up**

**Reception** - This week in Reception we have been learning all about Diwali and how it is celebrated. We have had lots of fun creating rangoli patterns and diwa lamps. Mrs Panasar was very generous and made us some chapattis to taste. If anybody is celebrating Diwali in the holidays we would love to see your photos. Please send them in or upload to Learning Journals.

**Year 1 & 2** –It has been fantastic to see or speak to so many parents and carers this week during our parent’s consultation. Thank you all for attending! This week in Year 1, the children have been designing their own carnival masks as part of celebrating Black History Month. The children have described their Maths and English using a range of adjectives. In Year 2 this week children have created their own leaflet about castles using all the knowledge they have learnt so far. In English children have enjoyed writing a recount about their ‘kitchen in the classroom’ experience last week, hopefully you all saw the photos on the website and our school Facebook page.

**Year 3 & 4** - This week, Years 3 and 4 have continued to read a non-fiction text about the Anglo-Saxons. We have also started to write our own extract in this same formal style. In Maths, we have been learning to add and subtract numbers using our knowledge of place value to support us. To commemorate Black History Month, we have been looking at significant time periods. Year 3 have been looking at the Windrush generation and have been making a carnival mask, whilst Year 4 have been looking at the theme of segregation, and have been learning about Rosa Parks. Year 4 then created a protest scene in the style of Van Gogh, who we have been learning about in our art lessons.

**Year 5 & 6** – A big thank-you to all the children for a very successful half term. The children have all applied themselves extremely well and they should be very proud of themselves. **Lessons:** Children have all tried very hard with the tests they have taken this week. All the teachers have been very impressed with their attitude and effort. In Art, children have completed their charcoal poppy scenes – work has been of a very high standard. In Science, children have completed their pulse rate investigations.

**High School Applications** - High school applications for children in Year 6 are now open (closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022). If you need any help with applying online for a high school – please contact school to speak to Mr Needham.

### **School Dates:**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

School Opens 8.30am

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

**Training day- No children in school**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

School Closes Christmas Break at 3.30pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

School opens 8.30am