

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

**24<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

**Industrial Action** – There is currently another strike day planned for Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

**We are planning to be able to remain fully open as we did on the first day but this could change. We will keep you informed of any changes as soon as we can but this could be on the day.**

**URGENT – We must have two working contact numbers for every child in school.** This is vital as there may be occasions we need to contact you. Please make sure you inform us of any changes, you can do this by calling into the office, writing us a note and sending it with your child or via email, using [info@stbartsleeds.org.uk](mailto:info@stbartsleeds.org.uk)

**We would appreciate your co-operation with this. Thank you**

**Worship** – Our current theme is **Forgiveness** and we will be starting our focus on this in next week's worship. This week the children have been discussing Lent and the important days leading up to it, Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday.

**Play Scheme** – Unfortunately, it is very unlikely we will be able to have a play scheme in the summer holidays. We have some major building work that is being carried out, including the start of the new roof and the resurfacing of the main playground. We apologise to parent's who use our childcare but as a school we have very limited times when such major work can be completed. This work is vital for both health and safety reasons and to make the school a better place to be.

**Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was** seeing all the sporting updates on Twitter. I do not get the chance to go out and watch the teams play or go ice-skating so seeing the pictures and reading about how well the children have done is lovely.

**What we are doing to make things better** - I hope all the children and parents get a chance to see the new art work in the main playground, it looks fantastic. If not have a look or check it out on Twitter. Our school as some of our parents know was originally a middle school and is becoming quite old and dated. We are trying our best to make the environment comfortable and inviting and part of this work both inside and outside involves new murals. We will share these as they are completed.



**Headteachers Awards – Well done to the 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 Muntaha</i>	<i>Class 2 Isaac H</i>	<i>Class 3 Alfie</i>	<i>Class 4 Amira H</i>	<i>Class 5 Jeremiah</i>
<i>Class 6 Prince George</i>	<i>Class 7 Emilia</i>	<i>Class 8 Lwandile</i>	<i>Class 9 Vivien</i>	<i>Class 10 Orion</i>
<i>Class 11 Emmi-Rae</i>	<i>Class 12 Jamie</i>	<i>Class 13 Believe</i>	<i>Class 14 Colby</i>	<i>Class 15 Nathaniel</i>
<i>Class 16 Stacey</i>	<i>Class 17 Harry</i>			

**Best Classes in School**- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 5** **KS2 – Class 9**



**Attendance Winners this week:**

**KS1 - Class 3 – 99.2%**

**KS2 – Class 16 – 99.2%**



**Whole School Attendance for last week:** **Nursery: 88.2%** **Reception to Year 6: 94.5%**

## **Weekly Round Up**

**Reception** – This week in Reception we have had been busy in the kitchen making our own pancakes and had even more fun tasting them! We have listened to the stories Mama Panya's Pancakes and Mr Wolf's Pancakes. We have worked really hard to write pancake instructions to share with the rest of school. In Maths, we have been throwing beanbags into hoops and adding the amounts together to find the total. We are looking forward to starting our new topic 'Where can we go and how can we get there '. Please share any places you have visited by sending photos in or adding them on Learning Journals.

**Year 1 & 2** –Welcome back to a new and exciting half term. Spring is in the air and you will see that there are many planters in our playground. Children will be getting outside to plant a range of different garden plants, wild plants and vegetables, so they can see how they grow and learn about the different parts of a plant. This is part of our science curriculum and we really hope children enjoy seeing their flowers and vegetables grow over the spring and summer months. In Year 1 this week children have enjoyed the Garden Centre role-play areas and learning about the new topic of farming. We look forward to welcoming a mobile farm into school later in the term. In Year 2, children have started learning about the different London landmarks such as Buckingham Palace and The Houses of Parliament. They have evaluated different toy fire engines in their DT lessons before they make their own version later in the term.

**Year 3 & 4** – This week, Years 3 and 4 have been starting to learn about how earthquakes are caused, as well as learning about the destruction they can cause. The children have been really grown up and showed great compassion when talking about recent events around the world, where earthquakes have caused lots of damage. We have also been reading a non-fiction book about earthquakes and volcanoes in English, to further our knowledge about this area of our Geography learning. In Maths, we have started to look at fractions. Please remember that children in Years 3 and 4 are encouraged to use times tables rockstars at home where they can, to support their rapid recall of multiplication facts.

**Year 5 & 6 – Lessons** - In PSHE, children have looked at stereotyping and recapped over the importance of good mental health. In Math's, children have been working on fractions, decimals and percentages. In English, children have enjoyed planning how to persuade Stanley's innocence from the book, Holes by Louis Sachar. Mr Needham has been very impressed with the effort of all classes in Years 5 and 6. Well done!

**Swimming** - A reminder that children need to remember to bring in their swimming kits, including a towel, on the following days:

- Class 13 on Fridays
- Class 14 on Wednesdays
- Class 15 on Mondays
- Class 16 on Thursdays
- Class 17 on Tuesdays

## **School Dates:**

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

School Closes Easter Break at 3.30pm

School Opens 8.30am

School Closes May Bank Holiday at 3.30pm

School opens 8.30am

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**Training Day- No Children in School**

School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm