ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

30th June 2023

Worship – Our current theme is <u>**Respect**</u> and this week we have been reflecting on how we need to respect places of worship and other important places. This is especially important as many of our children and families celebrate Eid this week and will be spending time at Mosque at this special time of year.

What we are doing to make things better - We are now preparing for some important developments over the summer holidays. This includes the start of the roof replacement, a project that will take several years. We will also be replacing the floor in the main entrance and corridor.



Attendance - At this time of year, it is still very important and we expect to see everyone still coming every day. There will be some special activities for those children who have had fantastic attendance over the year.

Early Years – a Teddy Bears Picnic Years 1 & 2 – a visit to the park Years 3 & 4 – a fun morning Years 5 & 6 – a cinema visit

PE T- Shirts – All children will receive a new shirt in September as we expect children to come in it on their PE days. If your child's current t-shirt is still useable please keep it or if it no longer fits please return it to school and we will use them as spares.

Breakfast Club and After School Club – please return all forms by Monday 3rd of July.

If you need a new form you must ask at the office

Late requests will not be accepted and your child will have to be added to the waiting list. We continue to offer very cheap child care which relies on school staff willing to work before and after school. We abide by strict ratios and are always oversubscribed.

From September, we are going to be much stricter about the rules, including paying on time and picking children up on time. This will allow us to offer places to children on the very long waiting lists. We will also be withdrawing places if your child is regularly late to school in the morning. If you want to discuss anything about these provisions, please see Miss Lawson or Mrs Wainwright.

Parent Surveys – We try very hard to ensure St Bartholomew's is a fantastic place to be. We know there are always things that can be improved, nothing is perfect and we value your feedback. This includes ideas on how we can improve but also the good points, my whole staff work very hard, I am extremely proud as their headteacher, and of the school and want to continue to make St Bart's the best it can be. If you have not returned your surveys, please do as soon as possible. If you already have, thank you.

School Council – Make £5 Grow - School council are working on a project called 'Make £5 Grow'. They will be selling ice-pops and lemonade for 20p each on Tuesday break-time to Year 5/6. If your child is in Year 5/6 and would like to buy something, please send in some money.

Leeds Rhinos Tickets – Reminder Leeds Rhinos Match at Headingley Friday 14th July, tickets still on sale at the office until Wednesday 5th July, Adults £10 – children £5.



<u>Headteachers Awards</u> – 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!

Class 1 Vincenzo
Class 6 Candace
Class 11 Raquel
Class 16 Julia

Class 2 Luli Class 7 Adriel Class 12 Ciara Class 17 Nazarite

Class 3 Kayke Class 8 Jordan Class 13 Lilly-Rose

Class 4 Alyssia Cla Class 9 Lincoln Cla Class 14 Codi Class

Class 5 Jason Class 10 Jaden Class 15 Ava

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Attendance Winners for last week: KS1 - Class 5 – 98.8% KS2 – 0

<u>eek</u>: KS2 – Class 13 & 17 – 98.3%

Whole School Attendance for last week: Nursery: 88.4%

Reception to Year 6: 93.9%

Weekly Round Up

Reception –Last week in Reception, we have been enjoying listening to stories with suspense! We have listened to the story 'a dark dark tale' and have been waiting all week to find out what is behind the curtain! We have been working really hard on our sentence writing, remembering to use our finger spaces. After receiving a letter from the Year 1 teachers, we have been creating a scrap book to show our new teachers all the exciting things we have done and all the new things we have learnt during our year In Reception. In Maths, we have been sharing into equal groups and identifying odd and even numbers.

Year 1 & 2 –This week in classes 3, 4 and 5, the children have investigated time in Maths. They have sequenced events and have looked at days of the week and months of the year. Children have worked hard to begin to tell the time using o'clock. In History, the children have continued to look at different women who have achieved great things, this week they have learned about Felicity Aston (a famous explorer) and Mae Jemison (a NASA astronaut). In DT classes 6 and 7 have made some more seaside snacks for their picnic, practicing their cutting skills to create fruit sculptures. In English, the children have been learning all about similes and expanded noun phrases and will be writing a description about the magical Black Rock from the book The Secret of Black Rock. In PSHE the children have been exploring loss and how we might feel if we lose something that is important to us.

Year 3 & 4 - This week, Years 3 and 4 have continued to read the story of 'Macbeth'. We have enjoyed reading and performing playscripts of different scenes. Year 3 have also continued their work on time in maths. This can be a tricky area of maths and any support at home will always help - it is after all, an important life skill. We have been learning how to tell the time and how to calculate the amount of time things take. In Art, we have enjoyed bringing our wire sculptures to life by adding clay. In Geography, we have continued learning about sustainability and have learned lots about wind farms and how they can help the environment and sustain energy. During our computing lessons, we have learned how to create and send surveys to our friends.

Year 5 & 6 – In English, children have enjoyed learning about fables. Children have planned their own fables and will be writing them next week. In Design and Technology, children have enjoyed food tasting – involving tasting different strawberries and smoothies. Children have then looked at food miles and the importance of food sustainability.

Trips:

Mission Out

- Class 13 will be visiting on Wednesday 5th July
- Year 5 children in Class 15 will be visiting on Thursday 6th July
- Class 14 will be visiting on Wednesday 12th July

Blackpool Pleasure Beach

- Class 17 and seven Year 6 children from Class 15 will be visiting on Thursday 13th July
- Class 16 and eight Year 6 children from Class 15 will be visiting on Friday 14th July

School Dates:

Friday 21 st July 2023	
Monday 4 th September 2023	

School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm School Opens at 8.30am