

# St Bartholomew's News



**17<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Worship** – Our current theme is trust and this week we have started talking about people we trust and people who trust us.



## We are again having issues with parking

Please do not park in the Helping Hands car park opposite school and block in their minibuses or garage. Please do not park on the yellow lines. Double parking on Strawberry Lane is also making it hard for the Helping Hands minibuses getting to their entrance and they support people with mobility issues who need taking to their door, they need access to the entrances at all times.

**We know the parking is limited outside school but we would appreciate your support with this and ask you park responsibly. THANK YOU**

**Home Address** – If you move house you must inform the school office of your new address as soon as possible.

**Primary School Application** - If your child is due to start Reception in September 2024 please make sure, you complete the online application on or before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. If you require any help with your application, please contact Mrs Drake in the school office as soon as possible.

**Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was teaching Class 6, they were a joy to spend time with.**



## 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 Jasper</i>	<i>Class 2 Louie</i>	<i>Class 3 Bailisan</i>	<i>Class 4 Alexander</i>	<i>Class 5 Wesley</i>
<i>Class 6 Layla</i>	<i>Class 7 Jayden</i>	<i>Class 8 Ahmed</i>	<i>Class 9 Adriel</i>	<i>Class 10 Daisy</i>
<i>Class 11 Ethan</i>	<i>Class 12 Ola</i>	<i>Class 13 Mayedah</i>	<i>Class 14 Tara</i>	<i>Class 15 George</i>
<i>Class 16 Nathan</i>	<i>Class 17 Emem</i>			

**Best Classes in School-** These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. **KS1 – Class 1** **KS2 – Class 11**



## Attendance Winners for last week:

**KS1 - Class 6 – 98.8%** **KS2 – Class 12 & 15 – 99%**



**Whole School Attendance for last week: Nursery: 94.3%**

**Reception to Year 6: 96.4%**

## Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** - Last week we have learnt all about Diwali and Remembrance Day. We had two minutes silence on Friday and we were so proud of all the children as they sat quietly for the whole two minutes. The children learnt two new songs: Diwali song and '10 little fireworks' song. We painted fireworks and listened to firework sounds. We also did the write dance to firework music. This week we have been learning about shapes and colours. Our story of the week has been 'Brown bear brown bear what do you see?' We talked to the children about how to be kind to others and in phonics, we have been listening to animal sounds.

**Reception** – This week in Reception, we have been learning all about the celebration Diwali the festival of lights. We have enjoyed looking at photos and videos of the celebration and listening to Mrs Panasar and some of the children share their experiences. We have enjoyed decorating our home corner for Diwali and have had lots of fun creating rangoli patterns and even our own Diya lamps. We have listened carefully to stories including 'Binny's Diwali' and 'The best Diwali ever'. We have shared our experiences of different celebrations and talked about similarities and differences. In Maths, we have been looking at shape. We have been sorting shape and using shapes to create pictures and models. We have used circles and squares to create artwork in the style of the artist Kandinsky.

**Year 1 & 2** – It has been a very exciting week for all children in Key Stage 1 this week! Children in classes 3 and 4 have really enjoyed learning about different celebrations including Diwali and Bonfire Night. On Wednesday, the children took part in a Diwali workshop where they made and decorated their own Diya lamps and learnt about how they are significant in the festival of Diwali. In the afternoon, the children worked hard to learn an Indian dance and showed off their wonderful performances to parents and carers. Children in Year 2 have had a fantastic time at Skipton Castle. The teachers were so impressed with how the children had remembered all the names of the different parts of the castle and about who built castles in the past. The children were so well behaved and listened carefully to the guides during the tour around the different rooms in the castle.

**Year 3 & 4** - This week, Years 3 and 4 have enjoyed taking part in an assembly and doing some lessons about 'Anti-bullying week'. We also wore odd socks to start to think about our differences. We were also visited this week with a French teacher, who came to speak to us about school in England. We also got to practise our French with him, as well as hearing about life in French schools. Next week, Years 3 and 4 will be walking to Town Street as part of our Geography learning. We are looking at how Armley has changed over time. This trip will depend on the weather, so make sure children have coats each day. We also need letters returning for our Oliver trip, alongside ice cream / lolly money. These need pre ordering in good time, so please get them in this week.

**Year 5 & 6 – Lessons** - In Geography, we have been learning about the different parts of a river and completing a recall game based on facts we know about rivers. We now know the physical and human features of rivers. In English, we have started our scary stories and we have looked at scary settings and scary character descriptions. In Science, we have started our new topic, Forces. We have enjoyed investigating gravity.

**Homework** - A reminder that homework will now be set on a Monday and the deadline for completing homework will be the following Monday. Children who do not complete their homework will be expected to attend Homework Club on a Monday lunchtime.

**Cultural Identity Workshops** - Children in Year 5 will be taking part in a diversity workshop next week. The workshop will involve children learning about prejudice and discrimination and the importance of recognising and celebrating our differences in relation to cultural diversity and gender identity.

**High School Applications** - A big thank-you to all families for completing the secondary school applications. 97% of applications were completed by the deadline!

#### **School Dates 2023 - 2024:**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**

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**Training Day- No Children in School**

School Closes at 3.30pm

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**Training Day- No Children in School**

School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm

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