St Bartholomew's News



2nd February 2024

Worship - Our current theme is perseverance and this week we have continued to talk about we all need to persevere especially if we find things difficult.

What we are doing to make things better. This week Year 6 staff held a meeting for parents to discuss the tests Year 6 children will do in May. In the survey last year parents said they wanted more opportunities to learn about what happened in school and this is one of the ways we are improving your knowledge. Thank you to the parents who did attend this information session.

Health and Safety



Children should not wear jewellery in school wherever possible. If children do wear earrings they should be small studs, these will be covered with medical tape during PE lessons if children cannot remove them their selves.

Other jewellery should be left at home, it can be lost or broken in a busy school. This is upsetting and expensive for you. If children do come in jewellery, where possible we will ask them to take it off and it will be returned at the end of the day.

Follow us!

Please see what is going on in school on our website or social media pages. You will see the exciting things the children get up to in school and how hard they work.

Facebook - StBartsLeeds



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Leeds Rhinos Friday 16th February – Tickets still available to purchase at the office until Monday 5th February.

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was reading a story to class 14. They sat and listened beautifully and were really interested in listening to the story.



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!

Class 2 Deontay Class 7 Prince Class 12 Kylan

Class 17 Niamh

Class 3 Frankie Class 8 Ravy Class 13 Shoaib

Class 4 William Class 9 James Class 14 Dante

Class 5 Bella Class 10 Ayana Class 15 Aqsa

Best Classes in School- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour. KS1 – Class 2 KS2 – Class 9



Attendance

We are hoping this year to meet our target of 96% or above. We invest a lot of time into ensuring children come to school and offer a range of support. We expect children to be in every day unless too ill. We are accountable for children's attendance and will ask for detailed reasons for absence and if your child is off regularly due to repeated illnesses we will ask for some kind of medical evidence. Please do not be offended but we follow the national and Leeds guidance. After 5 days of continuous illness we may also make a welfare check, this is part of our policy to ensure children's welfare and to see if we can offer any support.

Attendance Winners for last week: KS1 - Class 5-98%



Whole School Attendance for last week: Nursery: 82.2%

Reception to Year 6: 94%

Weekly Round Up

Nursery - In Nursery this week, we have continued to read 'Polar Bear Polar Bear What Do You Hear?', and made story maps to help us retell the story. The children talked about their favourite animals. We have been creating pictures of the animals using collage, painting and printing techniques. In phonics, we have continued with rhyming words and in Maths, we have been counting how many cubes tall the animals are.

Reception – This week in Reception, we have been really enjoying number week. We have enjoyed sharing our completed challenges that have been sent in on Learning Journals with the class. We have been looking at numbers 6 and 7 and explored different ways of making amounts. In R.E we have been talking about rules and why they are important. The children shared rules they have at home and at school. As we have learnt lots of facts about London in the last few weeks, we have worked in groups to share short presentations about London landmarks to the rest of the class.

Year 1 & 2 - What an exciting week we have had in Key Stage 1 this week. Children in Classes 3 and 4 have really enjoyed making their clay sculptures of different polar animals. They have studied the work of the sculptor Francois Pompon who was famous for his fantastic animal sculptures. The children thought very hard about how they would use a range of joining techniques to connect the different parts of their animals. What a great job they did! Children in classes 5, 6 and 7 have thoroughly enjoyed their visit from William Petty, who transported them back in time to 1666 and the Great Fire of London. Together they acted out how the fire would have been put out with buckets and how quickly the fire spread. The children have used this fantastic experience to write a recount of their day. Check out the website for photos of the day.

Year 3 & 4 –This week, Years 3 and 4 have been handling real artifacts from the Stone Age era. We have been looking at a range of tools and investigating the changes that happened between the Stone Age and the Iron Age. Year 4 have enjoyed finishing and performing their adventure stories that they have been writing over the past 3 weeks. In PSHE, we have talked about different ethical choices we can make, following on from our work about fairtrade. In PE, we have continued to improve our fitness and have been performing routines in gymnastics.

Year 5 & 6 – Lessons - In History, we have completed our 'oracy lesson' and presented our research on different aspects of Viking day to day life. In Science, we have conducted a Science experiment to see whether salt melts ice quicker. In Music, we have been looking at different songs and ways to perform them.

Homework - A reminder that homework is now 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.

Year 6 SATs briefing – Thank you to all the families who attended the SATs briefing on Wednesday 31st January. The power point presentation has been sent by email on Thursday 1st February.

School Dates 2023 - 2024:

Friday 9th February 2024 Monday 19th February 2024 Thursday 28th March 2024 Monday 15th April 2024 Friday 3rd May 2024 Tuesday 7th May 2024 Friday 24th May 2024 Monday 3rd June 2024 **Friday 14th June 2024** Friday 19th July 2024 School Closes at 3.30pm School Opens at 8.30am **Training Day- No Children in School** School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm