

St Bartholomew's News



9th February 2024

We have got to the end of the first half term of the year and we hope you enjoy the break from school next week. We will see all children on Monday the 19th February and look forward to the weather improving and the nights getting lighter. Our aim is to have the best attendance ever this year and we hope you will support us achieving this. Children need to be here to learn and reach their potential.

Happy half term to everyone!

Worship – Our current theme is **perseverance** and this week we have reflected on how encouraging others to persevere when things are difficult is the right and kind thing to do, like Barnabas did, one of Jesus's disciples.

What we are doing to make things better - During the holiday next week, Year 5 and 6 will be getting new flooring fitted in their new workspace.

Uniform Reminder:

On none PE, day's children should come to school in:

- Black/Grey trousers or skirt
- Red or white polo
- Red jumper, cardigan or hoodie

On PE, day's children should come to school in:

- Grey/Black jogging bottoms
- Plain red T-shirt
- Suitable top black or red



Number Day – Thank you to everyone who donated we raised £176.67.

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was spending time in Class 11 and 12, I learned about the part whole method, it was tricky but the children worked really hard on it, well done!



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 1 Ahmed	Class 2 Vivien	Class 3 Zara	Class 4 Miley	Class 5 Jared
Class 6 Aaliyah	Class 7 Haider	Class 8 Aahil	Class 9 Jacob	Class 10 Ethel
Class 11 Jaden	Class 12 Eliza	Class 13 Warren	Class 14 Jasnoor	Class 15 Zayn
Class 16 Jasmine	Class 17 Roni			

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 for last week: KS1 - Class 5 - 96.8%

KS2 – Class 17- 100%



Whole School Attendance for last week: Nursery: 92.6%

Reception to Year 6: 93.4%

Weekly Round Up

Reception – This week in Reception, we have been talking about mental health and wellbeing. We have been engaging in lots of calming activities such as yoga, meditation and breathing exercises. We have listened to lots of stories about feelings and talked about what we can do when we are feeling sad angry or worried. We have enjoyed setting up a calm area in the classroom and have spent time playing in the water tray with relaxing bubble and playing in the playdough area with lavender and rose petals.

Year 1 & 2 - What an exciting week children in Year 1 have had. They really enjoyed their visit from Dan-Tastic on Tuesday where they took part in an explorer's workshop. They investigated what an explorer is and looked at those who had explored the Arctic and Antarctic. The children loved handling the different artefacts and joining in the fun activities. In Year 2 this week, the children have challenged themselves in reading to sequence the story of Toby and The Great Fire of London. They have been able to understand the events of the story and use these as a structure for writing their own version. In Math's, children have used pictorial methods to begin to divide numbers. They have worked in pairs to share amounts and understand that when you divide whole numbers the answer becomes smaller.

Year 3 & 4 – This week, Years 3 and 4 have enjoyed performing the poem 'Walking with my iguana'. It has a great beat and we enjoyed adding actions and changing our voices. In History, we have been looking at hill forts, which were settlements on hills. We discussed why this was beneficial. In Art, we have finished our dreamcatchers. During our PE lessons, we have seen how much our fitness has improved and in RE we have been looking at diversity and kindness. We hope all of the children have a lovely half term holiday.

Year 5 & 6 – Lessons - In History, we have enjoyed learning about Alfred the Great and thinking about whether his impact really was great. In English, we have been writing our non-chronological reports on The Vikings. In Art, we have been working on our sea creatures using recycled plastic!

Bikeability - Class 13 will be taking part in Bikeability after half term (week beginning 19th February). Class 14 will take part in the week beginning 26th February and the Year 5 children in Class 15 will take part in the week beginning 4th March.

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 - A reminder that the power-point presentation used in the SATs briefing on Wednesday 31st January has been sent to everyone by email. Please contact Mr Needham with any questions.

School Dates 2023 - 2024:

Friday 9th February 2024

School Closes at 3.30pm

Monday 19th February 2024

School Opens at 8.30am

Thursday 28th March 2024

School Closes at 3.30pm

Monday 15th April 2024

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 3rd May 2024

School Closes at 3.30pm

Tuesday 7th May 2024

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 24th May 2024

School Closes at 3.30pm

Monday 3rd June 2024

School Opens at 8.30am

Friday 14th June 2024

Training Day- No Children in School

Friday 19th July 2024

School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm