

# St Bartholomew's News



**1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Attendance** – Remember there is a chance for children to win prizes for being in school every Friday this half term, for being in school every day in the last week of term and for having attendance over 96% this half term. All children with excellent attendance this term will receive a prize and certificate at Easter.

**Worship** – Our current theme is **Justice** and this week we have continued to discuss whether justice and fairness means everyone should be treated exactly the same.

**Ramadan – Fasting** - If you require your child to fast as part of your religious observance, this must be put in writing and discussed with school. This is important so we can make sure children are safe. Thank you.

**Governors Update** - The governors are a group of people who work together to support and challenge school to make sure we are doing things correctly and for the benefit of our children. They are not involved in the day-to-day running of the school but have an oversight of what we do. They are made up of parents, church representatives, and people from the local community and school staff. If you want to know more about our governors please look at the school website - <https://st-bartholomews.leeds.sch.uk/>

**Uniform** - It is fantastic to see our children in their uniform when they come to school. Please remember we have some expectations around what children wear for PE. They should come in:

- A black or grey tracksuit, jogging bottoms, shorts or leggings
- Their red plain t-shirt. Each child will receive one from school. This must only be worn on PE days. If you need another one we sell spare ones at the office for £1. (Please be aware they may not be red but old style school t-shirts. These are acceptable.
- Trainers can be worn
- A suitable top, black or red hoodie or black or red tracksuit top for if it is colder outside.

**Jewellery** - Should not be worn for school and if children wear earrings, they must be small studs. This is for health and safety reasons and children and parents will be upset if jewellery is lost or broken.



**Red Nose Day** - Comic Relief is fast approaching. Red Nose Day returns on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March and as a community we would like to support this good cause with a non-uniform day (the more red the better). All we ask is for children to bring in a small donation (minimum of £1) on the day!

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was teaching class 16 geography. They were very interested and keen to join in and demonstrated excellent behaviour.



**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 Jasper	Class 2 Haadi	Class 3 Muntaha	Class 4 Oscar	Class 5 Rimsha
Class 6 Hashim	Class 7 Gursnea	Class 8 Ethan	Class 9 Branko	Class 10 Hugo
Class 11 Nela	Class 12 Binah	Class 13 George	Class 14 Zainab	Class 15 Daria
Class 16 Ivy	Class 17 Anthony			

**Best Classes in School**- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and behaviour.      **KS1 – Class 6**                      **KS2 – Class 16**



**Attendance Winners for last week: KS1 - Class 5 & 6 - 98.4%**

**KS2 – Class 11 – 99%**

**Whole School Attendance for last week: Nursery: 93.1%**

**Reception to Year 6: 95.8%**

## Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** - In Nursery this week we continued to read 'Goldilocks and The Three Bears'. We have retold the story using story map and masks. The children really enjoy acting out the story in the role-play area and it is lovely to hear them using exact phrases from the book. On Wednesday, we tasted porridge. Some children loved it and some were not so keen on it. We all had a chance to say if we liked the porridge or not and why. We have also talked about healthy and unhealthy food and sorted the food into these two categories. In phonics we have learnt new song: 'Stir up the Porridge' and played rhyming games: 'What's in the bag?' In Maths, we continued to talk about sizes and made patterns with colourful bears. We have been looking at Kandinsky's art this week and on the creative table, we tried to create our own 'Squares with Concentric Circles' using paint, collage and oil pastels.

**Reception** – This week in Reception, we have been learning about different places around the world. We have been looking closely at photos of the natural wonders of the world and created some amazing artwork. Next week we will be looking at animals around the world and talking about whether they live in a hot or cold place. On Tuesday, we had a visit from the story bus. The children listen to a story on the bus, sang songs and spent time sharing books with their friends

**Year 1 & 2** -In Year 1 this week in Maths the children have been investigating numbers to 50. They have used a range of methods to partition the different numbers into tens and ones in different ways. They have been challenged to place numbers on a number line and find one more and one less than numbers to 50.

In Year 2 this week, the children have been recapping addition and subtraction in Maths. They have been revising the different written methods we use to solve some tricky calculations such as  $43+24=$  and  $65 - 33=$ .

Thank you to all families in Year 1 who have already returned their child's reply slip and contribution for Cannon Hall Farm. The children (and staff) are very excited about the visit.

**Year 3 & 4** –This week, Years 3 and 4 have been looking at the differences between human and animal teeth. We have been looking at the purpose of different animal teeth and how this helps them. In basketball, we have been practising our dribbling skills. We also investigated different climate zones in the world, and how the equator changes weather patterns. This follows on from our work on UK climate last week.

**Tropical World** - Please return your letter if you have not already. The trips start next week and it is important that children are sent in with appropriate outdoor clothing and shoes, as part of the trip will be outdoors (weather permitting). Please also send lunches in a throwaway bag so that children do not have to carry these. Children MUST be in school uniform.

The trip days are as follows:

Class 12 - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Class 11 - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Class 10 - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Class 8 - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

Class 9 - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March

## **Year 4 Bikeability**

Our cycling sessions will now be the week commencing the 18<sup>th</sup> March.

Monday	AM	Class 11 Non-riders	PM	Class 10 and some of class 12 Non-riders
Tuesday	AM	Class 12 Non-riders	PM	Class 10
Wednesday	AM	Class 11	PM	Class 11
Thursday	AM	Class 12	PM	Class 12

**Year 5 & 6 – Lessons** - In English, we have started looking at speech and how to use dialogue effectively in our writing. In Geography, we have looked at bush fires and investigated why insurance is so expensive in areas prone to bush fires.

**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.

**Personal Possessions** - A reminder children who bring mobile phones into school (reminder: mobile phones only need to be brought into school if children travel to school and home on their own), keys, or anything else such as bus passes, need to be handed into the class teacher every morning.

**Secondary Schools** – Today Year 6 pupils and their families will have found out which secondary schools they have been allocated a place at. Emails offering places will have been sent out from 8am this morning and will have been sent out over the course of the morning. Parents who applied via a paper form will be contacted via letter, which will take a few days to arrive. Parents who applied via the portal can use their login details to see their offer. For any queries, the email contact relating to offers is [startingsecondary@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:startingsecondary@leeds.gov.uk)

**School Dates 2023 - 2024:**

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Parent Consultation Meetings Y3, 4, 5 & 6 - 3.40pm - 6.30pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Parent Consultation Phone Calls Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2 - 3.40pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Parent Consultation Meetings Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2 – 3.40pm-6.30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Parent Consultation Phone Calls Y3, 4, 5 & 6 - 3.40pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	School Closes at 3.30pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	School Opens at 8.30am
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2024	School Closes at 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	School Opens at 8.30am
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	School Closes at 3.30pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024	School Opens at 8.30am
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024</b>	<b>Training Day- No Children in School</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm