# St Bartholomew's News



## 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed was showing a group of parents round our amazing school. They enjoyed a taster of school meals and had a full tour of school. It was a great opportunity to show them our fantastic learning environment and for them to see where their children spend most of their weekdays. Thank you to all the parents who attended, we will be arranging another opportunity before the end of the school year.

**Worship** – Our current theme is <u>Service</u> and this week we have been looking at how we all have talents, things we are good at that we can use to help others. We also discussed how the theme service relates to two of our core British values, Respect and Liberty. We also talked about our Big Question and how helping others should make you smile.

'Can you think of a time when helping someone else has made you feel joyful?'



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 Izabella Class 6 Kayke Class 11 Daniella Class 16 Elliot Class 2 Adam Class 7 Edward Class 12 Kylan Class 17 Krystian Class 3 DavidClass 4 HarmonjotClass 8 RachelClass 9 LabeebClass 13 LukeClass 14 Oscar

assembly. Well done! Class 5 Aayaan Class 10 Mariah Class 15 Jordy

Best Classes in School- These classes worked well this week and together earned the most points for their work and<br/>behaviour.KS1 - Class 7KS2 - Class 17

Attendance Winners for week before half term: KS1 - Classes 1 & 6 - 100% KS2 – Class 15 – 99.3%

Whole School Attendance for week before half term: Nursery: 95.2% Reception to Year 6: 95.4%

### Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** - In Nursery this week, we have continued to learn about beans. We have read 'Jasper's beanstalk'. We have learnt about the lifecycle of a bean. The children planted their own beans and now they are waiting to see if their beanstalks will grow. We have explored baked beans - some children really enjoyed touching and squashing the beans. In the creative corner, we have decorated the magic beans and explored prints by printing with welly boots. The children also enjoyed filling different size plant pots with soil using trowels. In phonics we practised sounds we have learnt so far (s,a,t).

**Reception** – This week in Reception, we have continued our topic ' what can we see and how does it change.' We have been sorting fruit and vegetables and talking about where they grow. We have made fruit kebabs this week and have enjoyed tasting new fruits. We had lots of fun planting cress to grow cress heads. In Maths, we have been counting amounts greater than 10 using lots of different counting objects.

Year 1 & 2 - In Year 1 this week the children have enjoyed using their investigative skills in Geography. They have been looking at places in the world that are very different from where we live. The children have learnt about Kampong Ayer which is a settlement in Brunei, and how it is built in the middle of a river. They have studied the houses and how the people live, and have looked at maps and floor plans of a boy called Mohammed's house in order to compare it to their own. Children in Year 2 have enjoyed the start of their topic of Pirates! In History this week, they have studied the female pirate Grace O'Malley and investigated the main events of her life. They have looked at maps of Ireland to see where she was from. Children then acted out key events of her life and worked in groups to sequence the events into chronological order.

**Year 3 & 4** – This week, we have been learning about pharaohs in History, and have been comparing them to other monarchs and leaders in different time eras. In English, Year 4 have enjoyed learning more about Egyptian clothes and using this knowledge to write an information text. In Science, we have been investigating what wildlife and minibeasts live in our local area. In PSHE we have started our new topic, all about first aid and staying safe. This week we have learned about sun safety and how we can stay safe when the weather (hopefully!!) becomes warmer.

**Year 5 & 6** – **Lessons** - In History, we have looked at how the Greek Empire expanded through trade and not conflict. In English, we have been writing persuasive letter to supermarkets to discourage them using single use plastic. In PSHE, we have continued looking at first aid and how to act in emergency situations.

**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.

Year 6 SATs Week - We have two weeks in school to go before SATs week.

SATs week will begin on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024. It is vital that all children in Year 6 attend school that week. The test timetable will be as follows:

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May: Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling

Reasoning

- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May: Reading
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May: Arithmetic & Reasoning
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May:

### School Dates 2023 - 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

### School Dates 2024-2025:

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025 Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Training Days 2024-2025:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 School Closes at 3.30pm School Opens at 8.30am School Closes at 3.30pm School Opens at 8.30am **Training Day- No Children in School** School Closes Summer Break at 3.30pm

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