


St Bartholomew's News




20th September 2024

“Excellent attendance is vital for children to flourish and achieve”

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was seeing all the pictures of children enjoying their learning on our website and social media. It has been a great start to the year. Please follow us or check out our website.

 Facebook - StBartsLeeds

 Twitter - StBartsCofE

Celebration – Next week is our first KS2 Celebration, for parents of the children nominated for the headteacher’s award you will receive an invite on Monday. We look forward to seeing some of you next Friday. Please be here at 2.30pm, you will not be able to come in once it has started.

Worship – Our current theme is **Generosity** and this week we looked at a story about a man called Jonny Appleseed who lived his life being generous to others and they repaid him with being generous to him. It linked to the bible quote:

“Love your neighbour as yourself.” Mark 12.31

We have also started to discuss our attribute; ‘**Ambition**’ and the children have started to talk about what their ambitions are and what they want to do when they grow up.

What we are doing to make things better, we are in our second week of ‘School Streets’ and Strawberry Lane has been much quieter and safer for those who come in to school this way.

Thank you to all of you who have parked somewhere else or have walked instead of driving to school. The scheme is to help reduce the congestion around school entrances and pollution, making it safer for our children and families. It is also to promote different, healthier ways of getting to school, especially if you live close enough to walk. Please remember if there is no one on duty the street is still not accessible for cars between 8.15-9am and 3-3.45pm. The police will do spot checks and you can be reported if seen driving on Strawberry Lane during these times.

We would like to thank you for your co-operation and support with this scheme.

Governors Update

- Sheila Banks our chair of governors has helped out this week on the School Street barrier and was very pleased to see how much safer the street was for those using the Strawberry Lane entrance.
- **Parent Governor** – we are looking for two parent governors, if you would like to discuss what this role entails please see Mrs Wainwright. If you are interested in the role, please complete the form and return it to school.

Fakeaway Classics Theme Menu - We will be serving a theme menu on Thursday 3rd October, if your child normally has packed lunch and would like a dinner on this day, please order and pay at the office by Monday 23rd September, and inform us of any allergies. The cost is £2.10 for Nursery & £2.20 for Year 3 – Year 6. You can see the Menu on our website and in the notice boards.



Show Racism the Red Card will be celebrating the 10th Anniversary of Wear Red Day on **Friday the 18th of October 2024.**

Please help us to support ‘Wear Red Day’, we are very proud at St Bart’s how we work together to make school a safe and happy place, please join us on this day to show our support. The children will be doing some activities in school to support this very important message.



Parentkind – The charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it does not stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most, such as outdoor play equipment for active breaks and lunches.

Attendance - It was a brilliant week last week and we hope this continues through the year, it is vital children are in school every day, missing one day can impact their learning and being late can mean they miss their reading time at the start of lessons and this impacts their learning and can be very upsetting. Thank you for commitment to sending your children to school.

Last Week's Attendance

Nursery: 96.8%

Reception: 94.8%

Year 1 to Year 6: 96.9%

Attendance Winners for last week: KS1 Class 5 99% KS2 – Class 11 98.6%



Well done to the best classes: KS1 – Class 3 KS2 – Class 15



Headteachers Awards – Well done to the children who have had a great week in school.

Class 1 Dominik
Class 6 Hareem
Class 11 Ayesha
Class 16 Timi

Class 2 Khadija
Class 7 Hashim
Class 12 Subhan

Class 3 Zaydan
Class 8 Michelle
Class 13 Lakshmipathy

Class 4 Zahran
Class 9 Elita
Class 14 Isabella

Class 5 Adam M
Class 10 Safiri
Class 15 Hamzah

Weekly Round Up

Nursery –This week we have continued to welcome –new children and get to know each other. The children have been happy to explore all the areas and play with new friends. This week we have been creating self-portraits and had a go at describing ourselves while looking in the mirrors. Our focussed text has been 'Lulu's First Day' and we have talked about our own first day in Nursery. We have looked at some of the family photographs too and the children happily talked about members of their families. Thank you for those parents who sent the photographs.

Reception –This week in Reception, we have been talking about what makes us unique. We have been looking in the mirror and talked about our similarities and differences. We have created self-portraits using pens, crayons, paint sticks and paint. We have listened to the story Ruby's worry this week and have talked about times when we have been worried and what we can do to feel better. We have started learning sounds in phonics this week and have learnt s,a,t and p. Please practice these sounds at home with your child and spot them in their reading book.

Year 1 & 2 - This week in Maths children in Year 1 have been building numbers to 10 and have practised counting both forwards and backwards. They have worked practically finding one less than a given number and have learnt the vocabulary of 'fewer', 'more' and 'the same'.

Children in Year 2 have been building 2 digit numbers, representing the tens and ones practically. They have worked on understanding the place value of the digits and what each number represents.

It was wonderful to welcome our new sports coach in to school this week. Each class will have one PE lesson each week with the coach where they will be focusing on ball skills. Please can we remind families that PE kit needs to be worn on PE days - including trainers and that earrings must be removed or taped for safety reasons.

Year 3 & 4 - This week, Years 3 and 4 have continued to read Beowulf in their English lessons. In History, we have been continuing to study the Anglo-Saxons and have been looking at their religion and what they believed in. In Science, we really enjoyed our experiment - we have been planting seeds but taking away one of the things they need (water, sunlight) to see what effect it has. We also looked at how to conduct a test fairly. In our PE lessons, we have continued to practise the skills of dribbling and passing in football, and have been applying these to game situations.

Mr Waters had a lot of children completing their homework last Friday. Please ensure that your child brings their homework in on a Friday, ready to be marked. Children get spellings homework, alongside a page of their maths books. If you have any questions about this, please see Mr Waters on the gate on a morning. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Year 5 & 6 – Lessons - In History, we have been learning about the key events of World War 2 and placing them on a timeline. In English, we have started to read 'Keepers from the lighthouse' as part of our historical narrative topic. In Art, we have enjoyed learning about the artist, Jacqueline Hurley, who is widely regarded as a remembrance artist.

Homework - A reminder that homework is set on a Monday and the deadline for completing homework is the following Monday. Children have homework tasks set on Emile and there is an expectation that children complete at least thirty minutes on Reading Plus. There is a homework club on a Monday lunchtime for children to attend if they wish.

Secondary School Applications - The deadline for applying for secondary school is 31st October. Please click on the following link for further guidance and links to applying for secondary schools.

<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-secondary-school>

Please contact school and speak to Mr Needham if you require any support in applying for secondary schools.

School Dates 2024-2025:

Friday 25th October 2024
Monday 4th November 2024
Friday 22nd November 2024
Friday 20th December 2024
Monday 6th January 2025
Friday 14th February 2025
Monday 24th February 2025
Friday 21st March 2025
Friday 4th April 2025
Tuesday 22nd April 2025
Friday 2nd May 2025
Tuesday 6th May 2025
Friday 23rd May 2025
Monday 2nd June 2025
Friday 13th June 2025
Friday 18th July 2025

School Closes at 3.30pm
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