

# St Bartholomew's News



1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

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

*Our Vision relates to the parable of ‘The Lost Sheep’ and we do not want any child to be left behind. To flourish and achieve their potential children need to be in school.*

Something Mrs Wainwright has enjoyed this week was welcoming some new children to our school and was lovely to see how kind and helpful our children are, I am very proud of them.

**Worship** – Our current theme is **service** and this week we have been discussing how we can help others. We also introduced our Big Question, ‘**Should you ever say no to helping someone?**’ We have also discussed our attribute, ‘**commitment**’ and how we will all try to commit to helping others.

**The St Bart’s Way** – We expect our children to follow the three main rules which are walking round school calmly and quietly, using good listening skills in class and following the expectations in the dining corridor. Have a look on our website for the St Bart’s Way posters (they in the behaviour section)

## REMINDERS

- **Cardigans and Jumpers** – Please label your children’s clothes or ask us to. We are getting a large amount of discarded items when it gets warm and it is very difficult to find who they belong to without names – they are all red! Thank you.

## Important Dates:

**Reports – Nursery to Year 5** – You will receive your child’s report on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Nursery children who are not in on a Friday will get them the following week.

**Reports – Year 6** – You will receive your child’s report on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July along with their SATs results.

**Transition Morning** – All the children will be visiting their new class and teacher on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Reception to Year 6 will come to school as normal, Nursery parents of children joining Reception in September will get information about this morning separately.

**RSE Consultation** - Thank you to all the families who took part in the **RSE consultation**. The consultation has now closed, and the updated **policy and curriculum information** will be available on the school website later in the academic year.

## Attendance

We expect all children to be in school every day and on time. 8.30am for Nursery, 12.30pm in the afternoon and by 8.50am for the rest of school. Thank you

The summer term has not started as well as the spring one ended but I know we can better. Let’s try to make it the best term of the year.

### Last week’s attendance (20<sup>th</sup> April – 24<sup>th</sup> April)

Nursery: 94.7%

Reception: 96.1%

Years 1 to 6: 94.4%



Attendance Winners for last week:

KS1 – Class 2 – 96.1%

Years 3 & 4 – Class 7 – 97%

Years 5 & 6 – Class 13 – 98.9%



Well done to the best classes:

EYFS & Years 1 & 2 – Class 4

Years 3 & 4 – Class 9

Years 5 & 6 – Class 13



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

Class 1 Idriss  
Class 2 Erena  
Class 3 Saha  
Class 4 Denis  
Class 5 Bailey  
Class 6 Lulani

Class 1 Fatima  
Class 2 Iyana  
Class 3 Aanu  
Class 4 Angel  
Class 5 Khadija  
Class 6 Haadi

Class 1 Niyorah  
Class 2 Omar  
Class 3 Omcharan  
Class 4 Zayaan M  
Class 5 Anoushka  
Class 6 Hannah

### Weekly Round Up

**Nursery** – This week in Nursery we have been learning about plants. We have learnt words describing parts of a plant: root, stem, leaf, and flower. We have read 'Jasper's Beanstalk' and discussed days of the week. We have planted some beans and placed them near windows for children to observe them growing and to look after them. We have designed our own pots and cut out some flowers and stuck them inside the pots. This week we experienced lovely weather so we took our learning outside where we cooked delicious food in the mud kitchen; rolled; jumped; threw beanbags into baskets; and tried to catch balls. The children also enjoyed using spray bottles in the playground.

**Reception** - This week in Reception we have been really busy in the garden. We have planted sunflower seeds, beans and strawberry plants. We have thought carefully about where to put the plants in the garden thinking about what they need to grow. The children are doing a great job of reminding the teachers that they need watering. We have enjoyed looking at non-fiction books about growing and learnt that there is food for the plant inside the hard shell of the sunflower seed. In Maths we have been recapping ways to make 5 to develop our recap skills. We have been working really hard with our letter formation and remembering to start at the top.

**Years 1 & 2** – This week in computing the children in Year 1 have developed their word processing skills. Navigating their way around a keyboard, they have started to write sentences using the Microsoft word program. They have been focusing on using the space bar and using full stops to end a sentence.

In Year 2 in computing the children have been using I Pads to create their own animations. They have used To Stop Animation Program to combine lots of still images which, when sped up, create a moving animation.

Thank you to all they Year 1 parents who have returned their replies for the phonics screening meeting on Monday the 18th of May at 9am. Please send them in if you would like to attend.

**Years 3 & 4** – This week Year 3 are continuing their work on magnets and forces in Science. They are also writing instructions for how to wash an elephant and understanding the features of instructions. In French we have begun learning our colours.

This week, Year 4 have enjoyed looking at persuasive writing. We have then used techniques to write a sales pitch for an Egyptian clothing stall. In History, we continued our work on Ancient Egypt and were looking at who we felt was the best pharaoh. In Science, we enjoyed looking at the digestive system and how food travels through our bodies. Year 4 have also had an exciting week of Bikeability on the school playground. We had groups of children that learnt to ride a bike for the first time and other children who improved their skills.

**Years 5 & 6 – Lessons** - Click on the following links below to catch-up on the latest news in Years 5 & 6:

<https://www.st-bartholomews.leeds.sch.uk/blog/category/year-5>

<https://www.st-bartholomews.leeds.sch.uk/blog/category/year-6>

### **Flamingo Land Visits – June**

- **Monday 8th June:**

*Class 15* and **some Year 6 children from Class 14** will be visiting **Flamingo Land**.

- **Thursday 11th June:**

*Class 16* and **some Year 6 children from Class 14** will be visiting **Flamingo Land**.

Please note that **there will be no swimming for Class 15 and 16 during this week.**

## Lineham Farm

**Monday 29th June – Wednesday 1st July:**

Class 13 and some Year 5 children from Class 14

**Wednesday 1st July – Friday 3rd July:**

Class 12 and some Year 5 children from Class 14

**Year 6 SATs Week** - Year 6 children are working extremely hard in the classroom as they prepare for SATs Week. Year 6 SATs week will begin on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025. It is vital that all children in Year 6 attend school that week. The test timetable will be as follows:

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May: Grammar, punctuation & spelling
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May: Reading
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May: Arithmetic & Reasoning
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May: Reasoning

## **School Dates 2025 -2026:**

### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026

W/C Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 2026

### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

### **School Closed May Bank Holiday**

Year 6 SATs Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling

Year 6 SATs Reading

Year 6 SATs Arithmetic & Reasoning

Year 6 SATs Reasoning

School Closes at 3.30pm

School Opens at 8.30am

Class 8 Harlow Carr Trip

KS1 Our World Our Future Workshops

Phonics Screening Week

### **Training Day – No Children in School**

Seaside Visit - Class 5

Seaside Visit - Class 6

Class 7 Harlow Carr Trip

Class 7 Sculpture Park Trip

Class 8 Sculpture Park Trip

School Closes at 3.30pm

## **School Dates 2026 -2027:**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2026**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026

### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2026**

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2026**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027

### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2027**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2027

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2027

### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2027**

### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2027**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2027

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2027

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2027

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2027

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2027**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2027

School Opens at 8.30am

### **Training Day – No Children in School**

School Closes at 3.30pm

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### **School Closed Good Friday Bank Holiday**

### **School Closed Easter Monday Bank Holiday**

School Closes at 3.30pm

School Opens at 8.30am

### **School Closed May Bank Holiday**

School Closes at 3.30pm

School Opens at 8.30am

### **Training Day – No Children in School**

School Closes at 3.30pm

<b>Training Days 2026-2027</b>
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2026
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2026
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2026
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2027
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2027