

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 16th September 2022

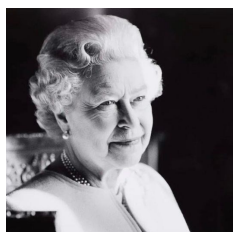
Each child is uniquely created and loved by God.

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Our School Christian Values are Aspiration, Love, Trust, Perseverance, Reconciliation and Compassion.

This week we looked at what is collective worship and the importance of being together.



We continue to send our deepest sympathies to the Royal Family.

The Queen was not only a leader but also a Mother,

Grandmother and Great Grandmother.

The Queen's funeral is on Monday and it is a Bank Holiday and so the School will be closed.

St Barnabas Church will be holding a Sung Requiem Mass on Sunday at 6pm.

Attendance

We are always challenged to have the best attendance we can and our target this year is 97%.

Do remember that we close our gates at 8:45am everyday and we finish at 3pm.

Did you know:

10 minutes late each day 6.5 days lost!

15 minutes late each day 10 days lost!

20 minutes late each day 13 days lost!

30 minutes late each day 19 days lost!



We look forward to seeing you at our School Fair tomorrow

11am– 2pm

This week

Last Friday we came together as a school to celebrate our first week back together but also to commemorate the Queen by looking at different photographs of her. Father John said a special prayer at the end of our worship together and many of the classes have continued the discussions in class.

Our Acorn class have been staying all morning and for lunch and are really settling into School routines. As part of Year 6 responsibilities the children act as a buddy to one of our Acorn children. This week Year 6 have been told who their buddy is and are very excited to get to know them over the coming weeks.

A Prayer for HM Queen Elizabeth II

Blessed Jesus,
 Lord of Lords and King of Kings,
 we give you thanks
 for our late sovereign, Queen Elizabeth II;
 for the grace and mercy
 she received from you,
 for all that she reflected
 of your gracious sovereignty,
 and for the great love she held
 for you and for her people.
 Enfold her in your everlasting arms,
 grant her rest
 and raise her up at the last
 in the company of the saints in light;
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 Amen

Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2023

Apply online at
[kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Opens Thursday 1 September 2022 and closes
 at midnight on Monday 31 October 2022

For children born between
 1 September 2011
 and 31 August 2012,
 Transferring to Secondary
 school in September 2023

What to do

Choose a school	Apply for a school place	Receiving your offer
<p>It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.</p> <p>Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.</p> <p>You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.</p>	<p>A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Thursday 1 September 2022 and closes at midnight on Monday 31 October 2022.</p> <p>If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.</p> <p>You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.</p> <p>You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.</p>	<p>On offer day (Wednesday 1 March 2023) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer.</p> <p>You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by Wednesday 15 March 2023.</p> <p>If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.</p>

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Thursday 1 September 2022	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply.
Monday 31 October 2022	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentons@secondaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Wednesday 1 March 2023	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Wednesday 15 March 2023	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 28 March 2023	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk or kentons@secondaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk
 Full information booklet can also be viewed online at [kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.



Leadership

Our Year 6 take on leadership across the school and this year :

Head Students: Selvisu and Daniel

House Captains: Harry G, Harry S, Aaban, Chandra, Tanvi, Tom I, Jessica and Rose-Aliyah

Sport Leader: Albie

Worship Team: Mark, Alyra, Isabel and Albie

Other roles are still to be announced. We also have School Council and Eco-School representatives for each class.

Friday Worship

On a Friday our worship is all about celebration. We share our stars of the week, children who are in our Golden books for showing our School Values, team points and any other celebrations from our School community.

Our stars this week are:

Ajus, Taisiia, Shaurya, Nina G, Teddy B, Stefan, Myla, Ryan R, Daisie, Charlotte, Griffin, Fhamida and Albie

Well done to Ibitayo and Drisana for achieving their handwriting licence.

Well done to Disciples who are top of the team points

Keeping in contact

If you would like to contact your child's class teacher here are the class email addresses. If it is an urgent matter please contact the School office.

Acorn: acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk Willow: willow@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Beech: beech@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk Maple: maple@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Chestnut: chestnut@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Lilac: lilac@st-st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk Oak: oak@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Safeguarding Concerns

Please can we remind everyone that the School Designated Safeguard leads are Mrs Duncombe and Mrs Pring. If you have any concerns do contact us.

Did you know that today in...



1869 golf's first recorded hole-in-one by Tom Morris at Prestwick's 8th hole, Scotland

Reminders

Please can we ask that we have no chocolate nut spread in sandwiches as we have children who are allergic to nuts in school.

Chocolate should be in moderation and we ask that the children do not have other sweets in their pack lunch boxes

Have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes

Moira Duncombe

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