

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 4th November 2022

Each child is uniquely created and loved by God.

www.st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk



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

This week we found out about St Andrew

Attendance



We are always challenged to have the best attendance we can and our target this year is 97%. As a School our attendance stands at 92%

Do remember that we close our gates at 8:45am every day and we finish at 3pm. Have a look at the next page about some attendance facts...

This week

Girl's Football Tournament Report

Well done to our year 5&6 girls football squad who took part in the Uplands Cluster tournament on Wednesday afternoon at Uplands Academy, Wadhurst.

Our squad members were Charlotte, Rose, Jessica, Selvi, Isabel A, Ibitayo, Nellie and Daisie.



We played matches against the following schools and the results were:

Frant: 3-0

Mark Cross: 1-0

Wadhurst: 2-0

The above results really didn't show how well they played and they all enjoyed the experience.

Well done to all!

Mr Luckhurst

Acorn Class 2023

If you have a child born between 1 September 2018 - 31 August 2019, due to start school next September, please get in touch with the school office to book a place on one of our upcoming Prospective Parent tours taking place in November. Reception applications open from 4 November to 16 January 2023 and should be made online via KCC - <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places>

Attendance Matters

Don't let your child miss out!

Every minute counts

Lateness = lost learning (Figures below are calculated over a school year)	
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
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!

What you can do:

- Have a regular routine for the start of each day.
- Help your child get their clothes and equipment ready before they go to bed.
- Set a reasonable bed time to make sure they get enough sleep.

Get your child to school on time.

- If they are late they have a bad start to the day. If your child arrives late for Class, they miss out on important learning, which could effect their achievement.
- They don't have the social time to settle into class.
- It can be embarrassing for them.
- They may disrupt the learning of the rest of the class.

Poppy Day

Our children will be able to buy Poppies and accessories next week.

The prices are as follows:

- © Slap band - £1.50
- © Wrist band - £1
- © Zip pull - 50p
- © Paper poppies - any amount.

If your child wishes to purchase something, please ensure they bring the money in coins. Please remember all the profits and donations go to the Poppy Appeal Foundation.



Date List

Thursday 17th November: Flu Vaccinations

Friday 18th November: Children in Need

Friday 25th November: PTFA DISCO (tbc)

Wednesday 7th December pm: KS1 Nativity

Thank you

Thank you to those parents who have ordered books from Scholastic — we have received almost £50 worth of vouchers!

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:

Year 5 and 6 Girl's Football team, Robert B, Mila, Charlie F, Ted, Oliwia, Layla, Molly, Drisana, Izabella, Mark and Blossom. Well done to Alice for her Handwriting award.

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-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.

St Barnabas Prayer

God our Father, Through your power and inspired by the Holy Spirit, Saint Barnabas spread your word and encouraged others to follow Jesus our Lord.

By your strength, and through his prayers, may our school always be a sign of Jesus' presence among us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit now and for ever. Amen

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

Twitter: @StBarnabasSchoolTW

Instagram: stbarnabas.office