

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 2nd October 2020

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 explored what Compassion means.

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

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Dates

Wednesday 7th October
Harvest Festival

Thursday 8th October
Flu Immunisation

Wednesday 14th October
School Photographs

Thursday 15th October
Kent Test

Friday 23rd October
INSET day

Monday 26th – Friday 30th
Half Term

Attendance



We are always challenged by the Local Authority to have the best attendance we can. Last week's attendance was: 96.9%.

Acorn 96%, Willow 100%, Beech 98.6%, Maple 98.8%, Chestnut 95.1%, Lilac 98.7%, Oak 89.9%.



This week:

Autumn is really with us now and it is good to see everyone coming into school with a coat. This week we sent home information about home learning expectations for children for all classes from Year 1 upwards. The letter also explained how learning would be supported if families are isolating etc.

Do check our website and class pages for information about the learning that is happening in your child's class and the home learning for the week. You might also want to check in with Chestnut's class blog which has some amazing writing from Albie.

Our children have continued working through virtual Athletics competitions with some amazing distances already being recorded!

Illness, Covid-19 Symptoms and Testing



Wash hands

keep washing your hands regularly



Cover face

wear a face covering in enclosed spaces



Make space

stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions



Harvest Festival – Wednesday 7th October

Next week in school we will be celebrating Harvest as part of our worship led by Fr. John.

We will be collecting with St Barnabas Parish Church for our local Foodbank – Nourish.

There will be boxes by the cycle pods for all donations. Nourish currently particularly need: *tinned soup, baked beans, tinned vegetables & tomatoes, tinned potatoes, rice, pulses, tinned fruit, custard/rice pudding, tinned meat meals, tinned meals (e.g. corned beef/ham), sauces for pasta and rice.* A huge thank you if you can help!

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 were:

Farisa, Evie W (Willow), Lovinia, Aiyana, Rosie, Danny, Ebraheem, Izabella

Minerva, Aleksandra, Megan A (Chestnut), Adeline, Max and Jigisha

Well done everyone for a wonderful week and well done to Kingdom for the most team points this week!

Something to think about



True or False?

Polar bears are found at the South Pole

Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone

The tibia is found in the human leg

A fedora is a type of shoe – false

Mohair comes from sheep – false

A water moccasin is a type of frog – false



PE@STB News

This week we have been taking part in Athletics challenges set by the TWKSSP with some amazing results which we will share once all competitions have been completed.

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

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

Have a lovely weekend and keep safe.

With best wishes

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