

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 13th December 2019

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.

We have begun to look at Advent and special traditions for Christmas in our worship this week.

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 packed lunch boxes.

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Dates

Monday 16 December
Class Christmas Parties

Tuesday 17 December
Christmas Lunch and
Jumper day

Wednesday 18 December
9:30 am: Christmas Mass/
Elf Service and End of
Term

Monday 6th January
INSET day: No children
in school

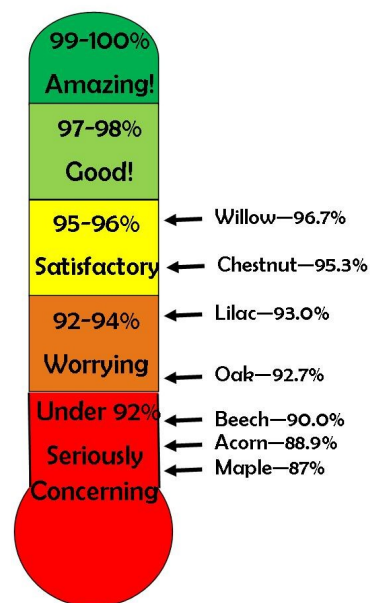
Tuesday 7th January
Start of Term 3

Attendance

As a whole school we have an attendance target of 97% to achieve.

Overall attendance last week: 91.93%

Do remember we start school every-day at 8:45.



Our School

What an amazing week of celebration with our KS2 Celebration and KS1 Nativity. Well done to all our children who performed, and a special mention to Dylan in Year 6 who started our KS2 Celebration singing a solo!

Yesterday our Drama Club performed their Pantomime, with help from some of the school staff. It was a wonderful afternoon and everyone had great fun!

Remember that next Tuesday we have our Christmas lunch and the children are allowed to wear Christmas jumpers over their uniform throughout the day. On Wednesday we have the end of term service at 9:30am in the church and you are very welcome to join us.

Do remember to have a look at our lost property bin for any lost items of clothing.

This term we say goodbye to Miss Link who is leaving her post at St Barnabas for personal reasons. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her well in the future.



Primary Maths Challenge

In November a group of our Year 6 took part in a national competition for Maths. They had to complete a test in 45 minutes based on questions linked to reasoning. All the children tried hard and a special mention to Mujtaba who not only received a Gold Award but also will be going forward to the next round in February.

The results were:

Gold: Mujtaba

Silver: Rayan and Parnika

Bronze: Teo, Elsie and Jan

Well done to Lily-Anna, Mary, Samuel, Crystal, Efe, Jake, Praneet, Grace, Evie, Luka and David who also took part.



Something to think about

This is Sam's number sentence. What is the missing number?

$$3 \times ? = 21$$

A 3

B 6

C 7

D 9

Reception class 2020-2021

The application process is now open online with KCC for a Reception Place in September 2020. This process is open until 15th January 2020. There is no advantage in applying early.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places>

REMEMBER: You must still apply for a Reception place through KCC if you have a pre school child who has an older sibling in the school. Sibling rights apply and are part of the admissions criteria but you still have to apply for that place. Your older child must be in current YR to Y5 when applying for September 2020.

Have a wonderful weekend.

With best wishes

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