

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 15th November 2024

Each child is uniquely created and loved by God.

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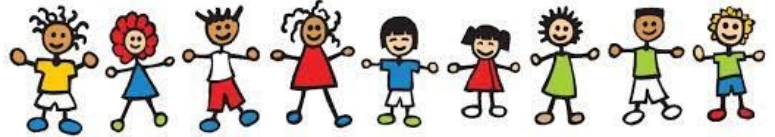


Our School Christian Values are Aspiration, Love, Trust, Perseverance, Reconciliation and Compassion.

This week we found out about the importance of forgiveness.

Attendance

As we start our new year together we have new Attendance expectations from the Department for Education.

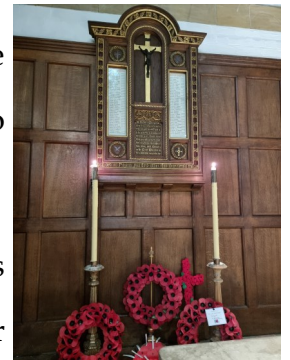


Our School gates open at 8:30am every day and School starts at 8:45am.

This week our Whole School attendance was 95% and the target is 97%.

This Week...

Well done to everyone who paraded last week as part of the Tunbridge Wells Remembrance Day. A huge thank you to Reuben in Year 1 who helped to lay the school wreath at St Barnabas Church.



There is a definite Autumnal air this week and with the darker nights drawing in can we remind you the importance of making sure that your children are visible in the dark by wearing something reflective. John, our School Crossing Patrol Officer, is currently not in school at the moment and so it is even more important for the children to cross safely when coming to school and also leaving at the end of the day.

We have been fortunate that the children in Years 2-6 have been able to take part in events at Trinity Theatre run by the Into Film Project. All the children had a good time and we are very thankful that we were able to be part of the project and can't wait for the next one.

On Tuesday our Year 6 took part in a special Greek day. Throughout the day Oak Class enjoyed a variety of activities, which included cooking and learning Greek to designing their own Greek plate.



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who has supported Children in Need today.

Thank you also to everyone who has supported our Year 4 team with their Teddy tombola. Winners will be announced on Monday.



Dates for your diary

November

Thursday 28th Flu Immunisations

December —more information to follow

Tuesday 3rd Year 4 Farm Trip

Friday 6th Children to wear own clothes and bring in an item for their class Colour Hamper.

Tuesday 10th KS1 Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 11th KS1 Performance @ 2pm

Thursday 12th KS1 Performance @ 2pm

Friday 13th Children to wear Christmas Jumpers

PM – Christmas Fair

Tuesday 17th KS2 Carol Celebration @ 2pm in the Church

Thursday 19th Children to wear Christmas Jumpers and Christmas lunch

Friday 20th Last Day of Term

Keep an eye out for PTFA events and if you are able to help or want to get involved please contact our PTFA on ptfa@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

Celebration

In our Friday 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:

Stars of the Week: Ryan, Gianluca, Ahaan, Ivy, Maithri, Joe, Atiyah, Luke, Debbie, Evie, Anas, Rowan and Eva.

Well done to Edward who achieved his Sunday School certificate and thank you to Reuben in Year 1 for laying our school wreath on Sunday.

Well done as well to Henry, Oscar, Rafi and Molly for representing the school at Cross Country on Tuesday.

Team Point winner: Kingdom!

Please do let us know if you are awarded any achievement outside school – we would love to celebrate!

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: safeguarding@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk

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.

Please make sure children are dressed in the correct uniform and have a named water bottle everyday. If your child has to wear earrings please can we ask that they are small and not hooped.

And finally...

Have a lovely weekend!

With best wishes,

Moirá Duncombe

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