

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 25th November 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 found out about sharing problems

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 everyday and we finish at 3pm.



**Thank
You**

Thank you so much to everybody who has donated money to Children in Need this year. We have raised just over £180 in online donations and cash on the day and as if that wasn't amazing enough our fantastic year 6 children raised another £143 with their cake sale! Our total money raised was £351.93.

We Need You!

Can you help us hear our children read? Our children love to hear stories and we would love to read to you. Whether it is for an hour or a morning/afternoon, your support will be appreciated. If you would like to be involved please let Mrs Duncombe know or contact the School Office.

We look forward to hearing from you and your generous offer of help!

North Wealden Finals

Well done to Tom I, Tom G, Harry G, Harry S, Ruben, Seb, Ryan, Albie and Aaban who represented the school at the North Wealden Year 5/6 Boys Football finals at Uckfield on Wednesday 23/11.

After winning the Uplands cluster last month, this was always going to be a hard test as the prize was a place in the Sussex Games as regional representatives.

1-0 defeats to Manor School and Wivelsfield and two scoreless draws against Maynards Green and Groombridge was a good effort against strong opponents, and with a little luck may have been a far better return.

Thank you for the support and help of the parents that attended.



CHRISTMAS CLASS HAMPER

competition! + **RAFFLE**

Wednesday 14th December

Please bring your items to class by Friday 9th December



**LOTS OF
PRIZES TO
BE WON!**

We are running a class hamper competition again this year! Each class is asked to assemble a hamper of gifts that are a particular colour. Please see below for your class's colour - to form the prizes for our Xmas raffle. Mrs Duncombe will choose the class that she feels has assembled the most exciting and well-presented hamper, and the prize is pizza for the whole class!

Please bring your items to your class by
Friday 9th December.

COLOURS ARE:

- ACORN - GOLD**
- WILLOW - SILVER**
- BEECH - GREEN**
- MAPLE - RED**
- CHESTNUT - PURPLE/PINK**
- LILAC - BLUE**
- OAK - RAINBOW**

Many thanks and we look forward to seeing
some beautiful hampers!

Xmas Raffle tickets: raffle tickets will be sent out
via Arbor very soon!

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:

Aayan C, Jack Junior, Max, Lily, Oscar, Eliska, Charlie-J, Thomas G and Jessica

Well done to Kingdom 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-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.

Date List

Wednesday 7th December pm: KS1 Nativity

Thursday 8th December pm: KS1 Nativity

Tuesday 13th December pm: KS2 Celebration

Thursday 15th December: Christmas Lunch

16th January: closing date for applications to Acorn class 2023

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 and enjoy the football!

With best wishes

Moira Duncombe

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Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2023

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

Opens Friday 4 November 2022 and closes at
midnight on Monday 16 January 2023

For children born between
1 September 2018
and **31 August 2019**,
Transferring to Primary school
in **September 2023**

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Friday 4 November 2022** and closes at midnight on **Monday 16 January 2023**.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Monday 17 April 2023**) an email will be sent after **4pm** informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Monday 1 May 2023**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer 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.

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

Friday 4 November 2022	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions to register and apply.
Monday 16 January 2023	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Monday 17 April 2023	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Monday 1 May 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 schools named on the original application.
Friday 12 May 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 primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Full information booklet can also be viewed online at [kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)

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.

