

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Tuesday 24th July

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

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



Thank you to the small band who came on Saturday to clear parts of the 'Dungeon' ready for our building work.

Over the Summer we are having the first stage of a new heating system for the school being installed.

Thank you to our Governors and PTFA team who have worked hard this year and we look forward to a new exciting year ahead!

Attendance



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



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Today we say goodbye to our Year 6 as they move on to their new schools. We wish them well and we know they will shine. Do keep in touch and keep us informed how you are doing.

We also say goodbye to Mrs Blake and Mrs White who are leaving us. We thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the children of St Barnabas and wish you well in your new teaching roles.

This year we have challenged ourselves to do more and we certainly have. I asked the children their highlights and they have said:

The variety of trips... cooking... sewing... football.. cross country... Mass... Assembly... friends... performing Macbeth at Trinity... Road Safety... Nativity... Talent show... all the adults... Bingo... Disco... Values... teachers... Fr. John... Forest Schools... Singing... making fire... having fun... proof reading... making pots... making bread... visiting authors... sports day... Young Enterprise.... snow.. more snow.... sunshine... times tables...

The list goes on – what a busy year!



Summer Challenge

One of the areas we would like to develop next year is the love of reading and to get our community reading! To help start this project we would love to have a picture of you reading.... maybe somewhere unusual.... maybe on holiday.... maybe in the park...

Last time we did this Fr. John read to a deer and Mrs Pring to some penguins!!

If you can send in a photograph or email at the start of term we would love to see it!

A message from John:

Thank you for all the love and support over the past few weeks. My family has been very touched.

If you would like to make a donation we are raising money for the Hospice in the Weald.



The Summer Reading Challenge 2018 will be called Mischief Makers, inspired by the much-loved iconic children's title The Beano, which celebrates its 80th anniversary.

Children will explore a map of Beanotown to find the mysterious buried treasure and become ultimate mischief makers! Dennis, Gnasher and friends will help them solve clues and collect stickers, having lots of fun and adventures along the way!

On behalf of the whole School we would like to thank you for all your support over the year. We hope you have a wonderful holiday. For those leaving us, we wish you well. For those coming back in September we will see you on Wednesday 5th September.

With best wishes

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