St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 5th March 2021

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.

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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It was lovely to see you all at our Celebration Assembly today.

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This week:

We have had another busy week celebrating science with our different STEM sessions through the week. We have also been preparing for the whole school joining together on Monday, which will be lovely to see! Attached is a story which might help the return for any nervous children. We have also sent a separate ParentPay message today with information about returning to school.

A special fact which was shared yesterday with me was about yesterday's date... 4/3/21! Patterns of numbers are fascinating and the date highlights that they can be found all around us. I wonder if anyone can let me know when the next patterned date will be.

Over the past few weeks children, both in school and at home, have been creating self portraits. They have been wonderful to see and we have displayed some of them across the school.

During the past year we have had to adapt to the many changes faced and we have valued your support greatly. Our remote learning provision has also developed and now includes a range of learning opportunities including live sessions.

The St Barnabas team have been amazing yet again and I look forward to our next adventure.

Friday Challenges

Thanks to everyone who has taken part in St Barnabas STEM Week. We have completed all sorts of fantastic Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths activities.

We completed Friday Challenges linking to Charles Darwin; here is a picture Beech Class' investigating camouflage:



Here is a picture of Henry in Willow Class having a go at worm charming

We also took part in STEM workshops focusing on Bubbles and Balloons, Sound, Liquid Nitrogen, Engineering, Rocket Cars and The Universe. We completed all sorts of topic related designing and making activities. Here is Charlie with his Mediaeval sword and shield.





In KS1 we made some fantastic Rocket Cars! Here is a picture of one that Joshua made at home

We also entered some STEM competitions. Here are some of our favourite entries for the Science Bake Off competition:

Juno's Meringue Volcano:



Friday Challenges continued

Minerva's Science Biscuits and Blossom's Planet cakes:





Finally, we were blown away by the beauty of some of the entries for the STEM photography competition. Here are Adeline and Holbrook's entries:







To celebrate Red Nose Day, World Book Day and Story Telling and Shakespeare Week, we are going to have a dress up day. On Friday 19th March, all children are invited to come to school dressed up in one of the following ways:

- -Superheroes
- -Shakespeare Characters
- -Story Book Characters

We kindly ask that children pay £1 to dress up with all proceeds going to support Red Nose Day. We can't wait to see what amazing costumes you come up with!

Stars of the Week

Well done to the following who are our Stars of Week:

All of Acorn Class, Jathin, Suhana, Evie (Yr 1), Lena, Zoe, Einoras,

All of Maple Class, Aleksandra, Jessica, Panashe, Rylie, Lexi, Izaac and Szymon

Well done to our STEM challenge winners too!



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.

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Something to think about

True or false



Waterloo Station has the greatest number of tube platforms in London.

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

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

With best wishes Moira Duncombe

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