

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 7th November 2025

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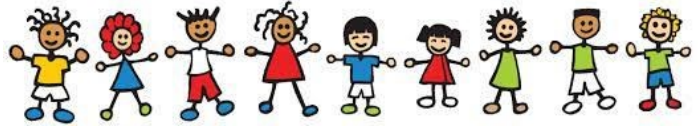


Our **School Christian Values** are Aspiration, Love, Trust, Perseverance, Reconciliation and Compassion.

We continued to find out about a different proverb and about the importance of listening to advice.

Attendance

We continue to work hard to achieve the 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 attendance as a whole school was 95%.

This Week...

Another busy week which saw our Year 6 walk to The Amelia to prepare to take over the museum and help lead our Year 2 in a few weeks time with their visit!

We also had our second Open Morning—how lovely it was to show prospective parents our school. Our children were excellent ambassadors and very confident in sharing what they were learning.

Yesterday our girl's football team went to play in a tournament and Mr G has shared: *The Year 5 and 6 girls football squad travelled to Wadhurst and were victorious at the Uplands football tournament on Thursday. A remarkable 3 wins and 1 draw from 5 matches earned them a spot in the final. This went to penalties as the game finished 0-0... Thanks to successful penalties from Molly and Destiny, and a save from Layla in goal, the girls won the shootout! Their spirit, their togetherness and the high quality of their play were all evident throughout the whole tournament and they thoroughly deserved their glory.* Thank you to everyone who helped transport the girls to the event.



Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Poppy Appeal through buying the poppies and wrist bands etc. We will be laying our School Wreath at St Barnabas Church. If you would like to join us the service begins at 10:50am.

Dare I say that Christmas has started with our KS1 children finding out about their Nativity which they will perform in December.

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:

Well done to: Arabella, Lorraine, Sara, Vedhashree, Millie, Steven, Salah, Biser, Nellie, Spencer, Juan, Oliwia, Vedika and Riley.

Well done to Sara, Audrey and Emily who were given Headteacher awards and to our Girl's football team.

This week our team point winners were Saints.

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.

Next Friday is Children in Need and we are celebrating by having an own clothes day and donating £1 for the privilege!

With best wishes

Moira Duncombe

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