

St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 19th June 2026

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.

In our worship this week we reminded ourselves about St Barnabas.

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 is 96%

This Week...

Last week we celebrated St Barnabas' Day and processed from the school to the church. Members of our School helped lead the service and helped keep our procession in time!

The weather was kind and the children sang loudly and it was lovely to see some of our parents there too.



On Tuesday our Year 1 children went to Scotney Castle and had a lovely time. The children explored the gardens and were even asked their opinions about how the gardens could be developed moving forward.



Some of the children shared with me when they returned that it was the best trip ever!

Tuesday also saw our new Acorn Class join us for the first time. It was wonderful to say hello and meet our new families and we look forward to getting to know them next term.

With the ever changing weather we have had to make the difficult decision of cancelling Sports Days that were due to take place next week and we hope we can reschedule at a later date; an email was sent out earlier today.

Next week we have coffee morning with Dave on Tuesday at drop off – do come and join us!

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.

This week we congratulated: Ryan, Sammy, Advaith, Sophia, Farah, Lucy, Millie, Aiden, Finn, Dylan, Eloise, Francesco, Rakshिता, Ishrat and Vedika.

This week our team point winners are Disciples.

Well done to Destiny who took part in a football tournament in Barcelona.

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, Mrs Pring and Miss Burkinshaw.

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 and enjoy the weather and the football!

With best wishes,

Moira Duncombe

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