

# St Barnabas' Church of England (VA) Primary School

Newsletter Friday 26th June 2026

*Each child is uniquely created and loved by God.*

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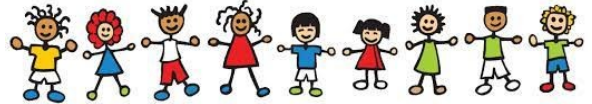


Our School Christian Values are Aspiration, Love, Trust, Perseverance, Reconciliation and Compassion.

In our worship this week we reminded ourselves about our Value of Perseverance..

## 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 91% - thank you to those who have come in despite the heat.

## This Week...

Well what a week! It does seem that this year, I have written lots about the weather and this week is certainly no exception! The children and our staff have coped incredibly well and are certainly looking forward to some cooler weather. A huge thank you for your kind words of support and also to those families who purchased some ice pops for the children to enjoy.

On Tuesday the swimming pool arrived for our swimming lessons and the children have been very excited to see the pool on our playground again. It has taken a while for the pool to fill up and the final preparations will be made over the weekend. The swimming teacher team will be joining us from next week to enable swimming lessons to begin.



With the hot weather we have had to cancel some of our planned events for the week and we know how disappointing that can be – it is also sad for the staff team who spend many hours planning and preparing the events.

We were very pleased that the Year 6 residential was able to continue and I know everyone has had a brilliant time. A huge thank you to Kench Hill and all our staff who led the trip.



## 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: Hudson, Moore, Rohullah, Grayson, Year 2, Year 3, David, Year 4, Aser and Jane.

This week our team point winners are Angels.

*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](mailto:acorn@st-barnabas.kent.sch.uk)

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## 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](mailto: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 (hopefully) cooler weather!

With best wishes,

Moira Duncombe

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