



St Barnabas Newsletter

What another fantastic week at St Barnabas!

We had photographers in school this week to take individual and sibling photos. The proofs and order forms were sent home with children this week.

We also welcomed parents/carers for meetings about next year's Y6 residential, No Outsiders, and parent engagement workshops. As always, it was great to see so many adults in attendance, engaging and collaborating with school.

Children in Nursery have been learning all about the postal system this week. They went out to the local post box to send out invitations for their Nativity.

Finally, school will be open tomorrow from 3pm-7pm for our Christmas Fayre. Please do come along and support if you can. There will be fun to be had for all with Christmas themed games, gift stalls, raffles, food stalls and Christmas crafting sessions. Santa and his elves will even be making an appearance! We look forward to seeing you there!

Hope you have a nice weekend. Mrs Grice



Message from the Trust

Fioretti Trust

Although the new school year begins in September, the Trust's Central Team and finance staff have been busy working towards closing down finances for last year. 'Year-end' has prompted us to reflect on what the Trust, as a family of schools, has achieved. Hi-lights amongst the exciting projects realised in the last academic year are:

- A new, beautifully refurbished nursery
- A new state of the art, energy efficient boiler
- Demolition of two very large semi-permanent classrooms and opening up and resurfacing of playground space
- A classroom refurbished and decorated in order to become a brand-new library
- Canopies that provide all weather outdoor play spaces for our Early Years children
- A larger, 'fit for purpose' Reception classroom
- A set of bi-fold doors to extend a school library to an outside space; to be used more effectively during lunchtime

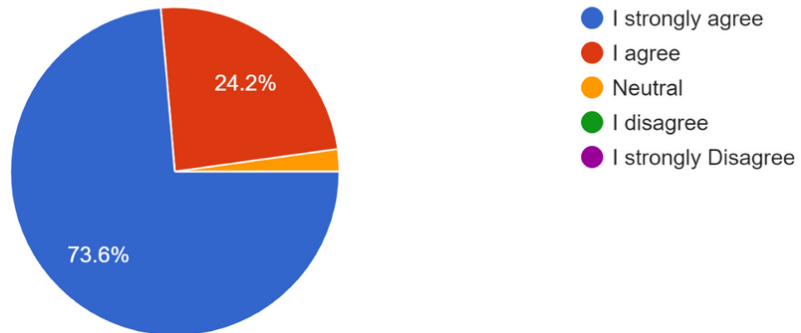
We were delighted to hear this week that for the 5th year running, the Trust has received a 'clean audit'. The external auditors have not found any action points. This is very unusual but testament to our hardworking finance staff in the three schools and our finance partners at Services4Schools. This external 'seal of approval' for our finance systems and financial management processes allows us to realise these larger projects. We have many plans for this current academic year and beyond, so do watch this space!

Emma Washbourne – Head of Operations.

Fioretti Culture Survey

My child/Children are safe in school

91 responses

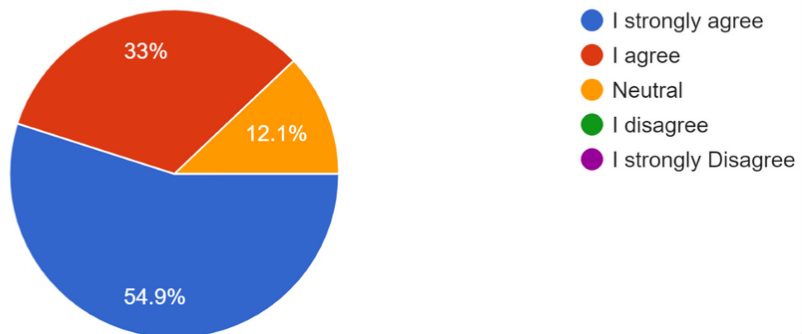


The majority of adults who responded think that school keeps children safe.

Please speak to class teachers with any individual concerns or questions.

School supports me to keep my child/children safe online.

91 responses

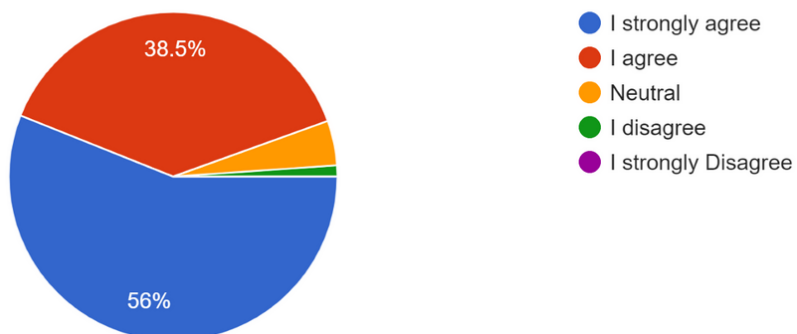


Adults who gave a neutral response stated that this was not needed yet as their child was too young or they weren't sure.

Information about staying safe online at home is often shared in our newsletter. Staying safe online is also part of our safeguarding curriculum in PSHE and computing.

My child/children know who to go to if they have a concern.

91 responses



Most parents and carers agreed that children know who to go to with a concern. In school we talk about trusted adults. This is all the adults in school but your child will know some better and will have preferred adults. The first person to speak to with a concern is usually the class teacher. We have lots of adults on duty in the playground and children can speak to any of these.

Attendance Matters

Attendance	
Whole School (This Week)	96%
Nursery	96%
Reception	94%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	97%

This Week's Winning Classes

Daisies
96%

Butterflies
99%

Attendance Update

We need to try really hard next week to make sure every year group is above the 96% target.

Our attendance for the week is 96%

Our attendance for the year is 95%

GETTING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL REALLY DOES MATTER

DID YOU KNOW?

In a school year if your child is late every day by...	Your child would have lost approximately...	Or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3 Days	12 Lessons
10 Minutes	6 Days	24 Lessons
15 Minutes	9 Days	36 Lessons
20 Minutes	12 Days	48 Lessons
30 Minutes	18 Days	72 Lessons

PLEASE ENCOURAGE PUNCTUALITY TO MAINTAIN ATTENDANCE

Attendance Ladder



Church School Spotlight



Inspired
through Jesus

We encourage
ONE ANOTHER
AND **BUILD EACH**
OTHER UP
to be our best selves.

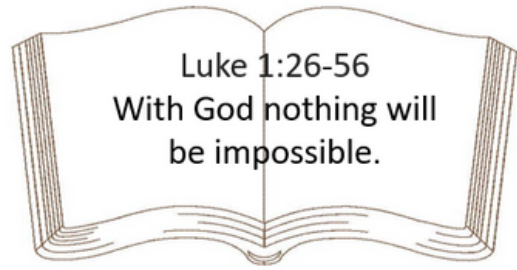
Our Vision

This week we welcomed Reverend Suzy to lead our collective worship. She told the story of the Annunciation of the birth of Jesus to Mary. Through this story, we reflected on her bravery and courage.

We also reflected on the determination of Mo Farah in his running career.



Week 4 Collective worship



Determination - the Annunciation
Reverend Suzy

Good Work

AT ST BARNABAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WE LOVE TO CELEBRATE SUCCESS!
HERE ARE SOME OF OUR WONDERFUL PUPILS, WHO HAVE WORKED HARD OR BEEN MODELS OF OUR
VALUES AND ETHOS.
WELL DONE TO ALL AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

TOADSTOOLS



Shaan for her wonderful attitude in all things. She always gives 100% and is a role model to all. Well done!

BUTTERCUPS



Sienna for determination and confidence, especially in her writing. Well done!

DAISIES



Grace for independently writing two sentences about her robot. Well done Grace!

DAFFODILS



Annaleisa for amazing work in maths, she wowed everyone with her naming and sorting of 3D shapes.

VIOLETS



Jack for his contributions in class discussions. Jack has been showing lots of enthusiasm for his learning which is fantastic to see!

BLUEBELLS



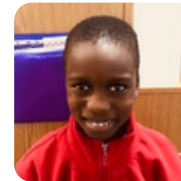
Kyrece for his amazing creativity in Art this week. Kyrece used block printing to create a symmetrical pattern. Well done

SNOWDROPS



Habiba for producing some excellent art work this week. She took lots of care and listened carefully. Well done!

BUTTERFLIES



Amari for settling into St Barnabas brilliantly. He is working really hard in all subjects and really impressed me with his chopping and slicing skills when we made chips!

LADYBIRDS



Joshua for working so hard in all areas and making fantastic progress. He is a super role model and has worked hard during test week to be his best self. A pleasure to teach, thank you Joshua.

BUMBLEBEES



Mustafa for his diligent efforts during assessment week.

DRAGONFLIES



Aalia-Rose for being an absolute pleasure to teach! She is a wonderful role model for the whole school.

KINGFISHERS



Anass for his increased focus and STAR behaviour in class.

SPARROWS



Zuri for being outstanding this week! She is always ready to learn, produces beautiful work and has fantastic manners. She is always her best self, well done Zuri!

ROBINS



Hareem for making fantastic progress across the curriculum!

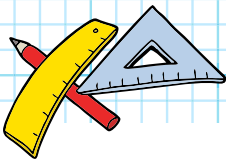
WRENS



Zizi for her brilliant fact file about life in Britain for black people.

MATHEMATICS

BUTTERCUPS Layla	DAISIES Joshua F	DAFFODILS Xyaan	VIOLETS Adam
BLUEBELLS Lottie	SNOWDROPS Hawaa	BUTTERFLIES Kimas	LADYBIRDS Jamie
BUMBLEBEES Josiah	DRAGONFLIES Ibrahim	KINGFISHERS Joshua	SPARROWS Reigan
	ROBINS Scarlett	WRENS Aaban	



Date	Event	Information
02.12.2023	Christmas Fayre	3:00pm to 7:00PM
06.12.2023	Reception Stay & Pray	9:00am
06.12.2023	Y2 Bluebells Synagogue Trip	
06.12.2023	PTFA Elfridges	
07.12.2023	Ikon Gallery Trip	Year 4
07.12.2023	Y2 Snowdrops Synagogue Trip	
07.12.2023	R & Y6 Height and Weight	
08.12.2023	Christmas Jumper Day	
11.12.2023	Y3 Creswell Craggs Trip	
12.12.2023	Nursery Nativity	2:15pm
13.12.2023	Christmas Lunch	
13.12.2023	Y4 Bumblebees Synagogue Trip	
14.12.2023	Rock Steady Concert	2:30pm Invitees Only

Diary Dates

With the weather getting colder, please ensure you send your child to school dressed appropriately for the weather.



Parking

Please be considerate to our neighbouring businesses and residents when parking on Spring Lane before and after school. Do not block drives or park on the Zigzag lines in front of school.



Subscribe to our calendar



Prayer of the week

Dear God

Please help to be joyful and positive just like Mary in the bible.

Even when she was feeling confused and frightened she trusted in you. Please help us to do the same.

Thank you for always being with us every day and listening to our prayers.

Amen

Daffodils



Family Time

Each month we would like to capture special family moments on our enrichment board in school and share some on the newsletter, please do however make it clear if you do not wish your photos to be shared, you will still be entered into the raffle.

November family time challenge - Go on an Autumn walk and collect Autumn items for an autumnal art piece - leaves, conkers, pinecones etc. Send a picture of your artwork into school



Alice creating Autumn characters

Twilight Christmas Fayre

2nd December
3pm - 7pm
St Barnabas School
Spring Lane

Special visit from
Santas Elf too



Come and visit santa
to receive a special
gift as well as taking
part in Christmas
crafting £3.50
(1st come basis due to
time restraints)

Come and visit our little
shopping village and play some
christmas themed games

Sweets, Burger Van,
Coffee stand, Candy floss
Pop corn, milkshakes and cakes

Lucky Dip, Rainbow Raffle,
Lucky Snowman, tombolas

Personalised gifts
Face gems, Glitter tattoos
Hand made gifts, Jewellery,
Charms, toys and stocking fillers

Event stalls available £10

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Elfridges is back!!

School Hall
6th December
3-15pm

Choose from a range of gifts
priced £1.50, £2.50 or £4
for men, ladies and children.

A great way for allowing your children
to get a gift for yourself or a
family friend and it still being a
surprise.

Pre-orders are now being taken on our
Sum up shop. This is the only way to
guarentee a gift.

To pre order go to our online shop
<https://friends-of-st-barnabas-school-sumupstore.com/>

Payments can be taken on the day for
any extras but there will be limited
stock



Where the children can buy lovely
gifts for all the family!

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Christmas Help Out

We're here if you need a little extra
help this Christmas

FOOD PARCELS AND KIDS TOYS

Wednesday 20th December 2023

11am-1pm

St Martins Church Centre

140 Witton Lodge Road

Erdington

B23 5AP

New Loss Workshops

Supporting Families Through Loss

OUR NEW WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN & GROWN-UPS



Monthly sessions on
Saturday mornings
10-11.30 am

SUTTON BAPTIST CHURCH
METTING ROOMS, B72 1TA

Supporting children to feel safe, seen, soothed & secure

A safe space to support your child through loss. A creative and compassionate community for you and your child to engage in soothing craft and activities.

To register your interest please email: hello@cherisheduk.org