

St Barnabas News

8th June 2015

"Barnabas, the Encourager"

St Barnabas Day Celebrations

On Thursday 11th June, we will be celebrating St Barnabas Day. The day will begin with a service at Church at 9am which we hope you will join us for. Back at school the children's learning will have a 'buildings' focus to mark the fact that St Barnabas School is growing! The project manager from Sewell construction, Mark Boothby, will be visiting each class to provide his expertise to the children as they work on their various construction related activities. We hope that all the children will also be able to visit the building site later this week (with the correct safety equipment of course), to see how work is progressing.

After school the PTA will be running a cake stall. They would be grateful for any donations of cakes/ biscuits for the stall.

We have a special lunch menu on Thursday, chosen by the School Council. This is shown below. Remember that all children from FS to end Y2 can have a free school lunch every day and that lunches cost only £2 for KS2.

St Barnabas Day Lunch

Finger-lickin-chicken (chicken drumsticks) Veggie Burgers

> *Served with* Chips Salad/Vegetables



Ice-cream tub with sprinkles Fruit

Sandwiches for Lunch

On Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, children can choose to have a sandwich for lunch instead of the other two hot lunch choices. Children are now asked to choose this option when the teacher takes the dinner register so that they are guaranteed a sandwich at lunchtime. There is one type of sandwich on each day: Monday: Cheese Tuesday: Ham Thursday: Tuna

If you prefer that your child does not choose the sandwich option at all, please send a note to the class teacher letting them know this.

THE PTA WILL BE SELLING ICE POPS EVERY FRIDAY IN JUNE AFTER SCHOOL

Sun Protection Now that the sun has finally appeared, please consider applying sun cream before children come to school or send a named bottle of sun cream into school.

Safe Journeys to School

It's great to see so many families walking to school – this was shown in the surveys carried out in our recent 'Walk to School Week'.



In order to ensure the safety of children and families, please avoid driving up the school drive. There are double yellow lines all along here so it is not permitted to park and there is very little room to turn around.

Please also be considerate of other road users (pedestrians, cyclists) and residents especially if coming down Jubilee Terrace. I have had reports of several near misses and of residents' drives being blocked.

Children on bikes and scooters should only ride them <u>once outside the main school gate</u> to avoid accidents. They should not be ridden around the playground either before or after school.

What makes St Barnabas School Distinctive?

Over the last two years we have been working to revise our Mission Statement, Aims and Values. Children, Parents, Governors and Children have all contributed to this

Attached is the culmination of this work. We hope that you think this represents the distinctive character of St Barnabas School and that you, as parents/carers, can sign up to this.

Through our assemblies and class work, we have been working on helping children to understand what these values mean and how they can show them as well as where they come from in the Bible. Over the rest of this term, we will be supporting the children to understand our new mission statement and aims.

Have you visited our website recently?

Lots of lovely photos have been added to our website recently. See the class pages in the 'Children' section and the 'Events' section. In the 'About Us' – 'Policies' section you will find a number of updated policies which include our Behaviour and Anti-bullying policies. Our prospectus has also recently been updated and can be found in the 'About Us' section.

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If you would like paper copies of any of these documents, please ask at the office.

There are so many exciting learning activities happening over the rest of this term.... Class 3 and Class 4 will have weekly cricket coaching with a specialist through the Chance to Shine Programme. They will need their PE kits in school on Thursdays for this.

Year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in Level 1 and 2 Bikeability Cycle Training. They need to bring a waterproof in case of rain (even if the forecast is good!)

Class 4 are taking part in a learning module offered by the Children's University and supported by Aviva. This involves learning more about the business of Aviva and culminates in a 'Golden Moment' when the children will give presentations to members of the Aviva board in the Aviva boardroom.

This week, several children from each KS2 year group will visit Westfield School to take part in a West School's maths competition. Y6 will also take part in a Y6 Maths Puzzle Day at YHS in a few weeks.

Foundation Stage are preparing for their 'Royal Bop' Exit Task (Parents invited) on 9th July. They will amaze you with their dance routines!

As the culmination of a three year programme working with the Royal Shakespeare Company and other schools in our area, two Year 6 pupils will join a group of pupils from West York primaries and YHS to perform in Stratford upon Avon, the birthplace of Shakespeare.

Class 2 will be learning more about the outdoors with Ian Johnson on Thursday through the 'Seedlings for Schools' project.

Class 3 will be visiting the Railway Museum on Friday 12th June to support learning in their current topic.

Classes will be holding their Exit Tasks for parents/carers – dates to follow.

Year 6 are working on their Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award. They will be raising money for their chosen charities by running stalls after school (more info to follow) and they will be helping to improve the local area by litter picking, weeding and planting in the new Edible Garden in Back Park.

There will be a half price book fair in school from 30th June – 6th July, organised by Year 6 pupils.

Key Dates

 $18^{t\bar{h}}$ June - 8:45 - KS2 Parents in Class Session 25th June - 8:45am - KS1 Parents in Class Session 25th June - 2:30pm - FS Parents in Class Session 3rd July – 12-3pm – Family Picnic & Sports Day 14th July – School Trip – Yorkshire Sculpture Park 17th July – 1:45pm Leavers Service 3pm School ends for Summer