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*"Barnabas, the Encourager"*

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the new school year. It's lovely to see the children looking so smart in their new uniforms (thank you parents!). They are settling in well to their new classes and showing great attitudes to learning too!

We have made some changes to the way we communicate with you to hopefully make it easier, quicker and more efficient, by introducing a new app service for the school.

OurSchoolsApp is a personalised app for our school and will allow us to keep you all updated with school information, news, calendar events and contact information.

If you have a smartphone (Android or iPhone), you can download OurSchoolsApp from Google Play Android or from the Apple Store for FREE. Access is also available on a tablet or iPad by following the same download process. Details of how to do this are on the reverse. If you do not have a smart phone or tablet, you can still view the app and information online at <https://www.ourschoolsapp.com/m/>

When we update OurSchoolsApp with new information or news about the school, a push message notification will be automatically sent to your device to inform you of this update. You can then view the notification which will take you directly to our app.

This will replace our general text service, which will only be used when there is an important message that needs to be sent out at short notice e.g. a club needs to be cancelled.

We will still be sending out newsletters (paper and e-mail) but you will have the news and dates much quicker via the app. Not all news and information sent via the app will be sent out in a different format so we do hope that everyone will access the app regularly.

Please let us know if you are not able to access the app so that we can make alternative arrangements to communicate this information.

Further information about dates and events will follow in a separate letter but there is already lots of information in the app about up and coming events.

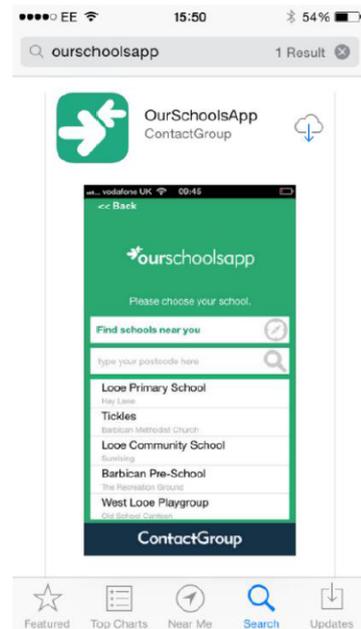
We would love to have your feedback about the app so please let know so that we can continue to improve our communications with you.

Best wishes

Miss K Boardman  
Headteacher

## Instructions for download:

1. Using the relevant device (iPad, iPhone, smart pad, tablet or android phone), search for **'OurSchoolsApp'** on your app store Google play for Android or iTunes for Apple devices.
2. Download the **'APP'**.
3. In the search bar in the **'APP'** put the postcode of or the name of the school.
4. Hit the search button.
5. Once you see the school name displayed, just touch the screen on the school name.
6. Confirm your choice by pressing OK.
7. You will now be presented with the **'APP'** for the school which contains news, information, calendar events, contacts and any other relevant details.



NB Once you have entered the postcode, the school name appears twice. Choose 'St Barnabas CE Primary School'.

Please contact school if you have any problems downloading the app,