



St Barnabas News

16th September 2014

"Barnabas, the Encourager"

E-Mail Letters

- A reminder that from next Monday, 25th September, most letters will be sent home via e-mail.
- Thank you to those who have returned their slips asking for a paper version. If you would prefer paper letters, please let the office know as soon as possible.
- As a test run, we have sent this newsletter home by e-mail as well. Our system should show up where it hasn't been delivered and we will be checking your details if we see any problems from our end, but please help us by letting us know if you haven't received this letter via e-mail.

Harvest Festival

Next Thursday, 23rd September, we will be celebrating Harvest Festival. You are invited to join us for a service in church at 2:15pm. As usual, we ask that children bring in a donation of dried or tinned goods which will be donated to the Salvation Army.



Children's University Passport Launch

This Thursday, we are looking forward to seeing children wearing clothes that either show their hobbies or a job they would like to do in the future. Please join us for assembly at 8:55am to see the range of costumes and find out more about the 'Passports'. Passports will be on sale straight after assembly and at the end of the day for just £1.

FRIENDSHIP

Each term, we focus on a different Christian Value through our assemblies and curriculum. This term, we will be focusing on the value of 'Friendship', which is one of our specific school values.

Through this we will be helping the children to understand how to be a true friend, the importance of treating other people with kindness and respecting each other's opinions and differences.

Children will reflect on examples of friendship shown by Jesus and other people in the Bible.



PE Kits

Children must get changed for PE as a matter of health and safety so please help children to make sure they have their PE kits in school on their PE days. Often children miss these important lessons as they do not have their kit.

PE kits should consist of a plain white t-shirt and dark shorts or jogging bottoms. At the moment, some of the older children are wearing a range of colours and styles of clothes for PE which are neither suitable nor smart.

It is also essential that earrings are taken out for PE and swimming. If your child cannot take out their own earrings, please leave them out on PE days. Thank you.

Parents in Class Sessions

We would like to invite you to spend a little time in your child's class to find out more about what and how they learn in school.

These sessions will take place once per half term from 8:45-9:05am and the dates/times are listed on the attached sheet of dates. 'Exit Tasks' will also continue at least twice each year.

Class newsletters will be sent by the beginning of next week.

Online payment for Dinner Money and Visits

From 6th October, you will have the option to pay dinner money online via Parent Pay. We will be sending out more information in the next few weeks about this.

St Barnabas Bake Off

We know that there are some amazing bakers in our school community.

Why not show off your skills in our Bake Off?

All cakes entered will be offered for donations as part of our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 26th September at 2pm.

See Mrs Murrie or visit the 'Community' section of our website for an entry form.



St Barnabas Event Dates 2014-15

Date	Event
17/9	Ukulele lessons to begin in CL3 with Christian Topman
18/9	Launch of Children's University Passports. Dress up as favourite hobby / job you want to do when older.
19/9	1:45-2:45 Class 3 Pedestrian Training
22/9	Letters to be sent to parents by e-mail from today.
25/9	2:15pm Harvest Service at Church
26/9	2pm Macmillan Coffee Afternoon & 'Bake off'
30/9	BAGS 2 SCHOOL collection
3/10	Am BIG BREAKFAST
9/10	2:30pm Community prayer meeting in school
13/10	Parents' Evening 3:20-6pm
15/10	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
16/10	Year 5/6 'Speak Out' competition at York High
17/10	Children's individual photos all day – No Good Work Assembly
20 – 22 Oct	Year 5/6 to Robinwood.
21/10	No swimming
Thur 23/10	Good Work assembly at 2:20pm instead of Friday
24 th	INSET DAY HALF TERM
3/11	School re-opens 'Remembrance Week' – activities to commemorate WW1.
27/11	2:30pm Community Prayer meeting in school
10/12	Christmas Dinner
11/12	Group of children to carol sing at Barleyfields OAPs
12 th Dec	PTA Christmas fair (tbc)
16 th	Riding Lights Theatre Production in school
17 th	Whole School Nativity in church 1:45pm and 6:30pm
18 th pm	Christmas Parties
Fri 19 th	School closes for Christmas
	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Mon 5/1/15	INSET DAY
6/1	School re-opens
19/1	12noon – 11pm Choir - Young Voices at Sheffield Arena
13/2	Break up for half term HALF TERM
23/2	Return to school
23/3	Parent's Evening 3:20-6pm
25/3	Parent's Evening 4-7pm
26/3	Easter Service 2pm
27/3	Finish for Easter EASTER HOLIDAY
Mon 13/4	School re-opens (no INSET)
4/5	Bank Holiday
Thurs 7/5	INSET - School closed for use as Polling Station
Fri 8/5	School open as usual
May 11 th	KS2 SATs week
22/5	Break up for half term HALF TERM
1/6	School reopens
Wk bg 8/6	Mon –Thurs pms Cycle training Y5/6 Group 1 (max 18)
Wk bg 15/6	Mon –Thurs pms Cycle training Y5/6 Group 2 (max 18)
3/7	Family Picnic and Sports Day
10/7	Reports out
Wed 15/7	Leaver's Disco FS/KS1 6-7pm KS2 7:30-8:45pm
Fri 17/7	Leaver's Service 1:45pm School closes for summer

Parents in class sessions

Thursdays on dates below
8:45-9:05am

FS/KS1	KS2
2/10	25/9
20/11	13/11
29/1	15/1
12/3	5/3
21/5	30/4
25/6	18/6