



"Barnabas, the Encourager"

St Barnabas News

18th February 2019

Community, Friendship, Trust, Truthfulness, Forgiveness, Courage'

School closes for the half term break on Friday

Goodbye and Thank You Mr Hazeldine

Mr Hazeldine, who currently teaches Edison Class, will be leaving St Barnabas at Easter after 5 years in post.

I would like to thank him for his commitment to providing excellent learning and care for the children in his class and for his wider contributions to the school as Computing and Music Leader.

In the summer term, Edison Class will be taught by Mrs Taylor and Miss Knowles. Parents of Edison and Malala Classes have already been sent a letter today with details of these changes.

Check out Twitter @stbarnabasyork each Friday to see our 'Achievers of the Week'.

New Lunch Menu

After the half term break we will move to a [new menu](#) until October half term. I'm sure the children will enjoy the new choices. In the warmer months, we will be doing 'picnic bags' so children can eat at our outdoor tables if they wish. The price remains the same at £2.30/ free for children in Simmonds/Malala & Edison and for those entitled to Free School Meals.

A direct link to the menu can be found in the 'Links' section of our app and paper copies will be sent home after half term.

Find out what your child is learning this term in the [Class Learning Overviews](#) on our website.

New School Uniform Supplier

'Get Branded' on Clifton Moor now stocks uniform embroidered with our school logo including book /PE bags. Items show an improved version of the logo as it now includes 'Barnabas the Encourager'. You can purchase the items by visiting the shop or online via the following link

<https://www.getbrandedworkwear.co.uk/collections/st-barnabas-ce>

They also sell other non-branded items of school uniform too.

We will continue to keep our account with Tesco (now changed to 'My Clothing') for the time being but will review this later in the year.

<https://myclothing.com/saint-barnabas-church-of-england-voluntary-controlled-primary-sc/7891.school>

Direct links to both of these websites can be found in the 'Links' section of our app.

We would be interested in your feedback about these different suppliers – please let Miss Boardman or Mrs Entwistle know what you think.

Footwear / PE Kits

We are seeing a variety of colours of footwear and PE kit in school at the moment. I would like to remind you that we expect children to wear black school type shoes. Our PE kit consists of a white t-shirt (plain or with the school logo) and dark 'bottoms'.

It is not appropriate or safe to wear vest style tops for PE.

Do you know what your child is doing when they are online?

We are increasingly aware that children are on games and social media sites which have age limits above the age of the children. Did you know that Fortnite has an age-rating of 12 years and that children need to be 13 or older to have their personal information on Twitter or Facebook? We also hear children talking about what we would deem to be inappropriate material that they have accessed on You Tube. We urge you to supervise your children closely when they are online in order to keep them safe from harmful content. The NSPCC has some very helpful [guidance](#) for parents and a helpline you can contact for help with parental controls / information about social media sites. Tel 0808 800 5002 Click for '[You Tube for Kids' guidance](#)'

PTA News

Thanks to all who attended the PTA meeting on Friday and shared ideas. There are some exciting new events now planned for the rest of the year, including a Spring Fair with great Easter themed activities, a Good As New Clothes Sale and a Quiz Night.

Remember that all parents/carers are part of the PTA and involvement at any level is welcomed. Attending a meeting does not mean that you will be expected to organise events or give hours of your time. You may just have an idea to share or you may be able to spare a couple of hours to help with one event.

If you would like to be involved in any way please contact Natasha Hitch in person or via the St Barnabas Primary School PTA facebook page.

The next meeting will take place on Friday 8th March at 9am in the school. Please come along if you can, especially if you are able to help with or have ideas for the Spring Fair after school on Friday 5th April.

Active Thursdays!

Active Thursdays with Mr Lloyd have got off to a great start. They take place each Thursday morning from 8:15-8:40am on the playground where possible or in the hall in the case of rain / ice.

Children can just come along and join in – there is no need for them to be in PE kits but they are welcome to wear their trainers and change into school shoes at 8:40. Parents need to stay with the children (you are welcome to join in!) as usual until children have been handed over to their teachers at 8:45am.

Multisports Club after school on Thursdays (3-4pm) with Mr Lloyd is now open to all of Key Stage 2 instead of just Year 3/4. If your child would like to attend please [book online](#) in the usual way or contact the office.

It was fantastic to see so many parents and children enjoying the activities at the FS/KS1 Maths Café this week. The KS2 café will take place from 8:50-9:30am on Tuesday 12th March. Remember to [book your place](#) (online or contact the office) to be guaranteed a bacon butty.

IMPORTANT- Have you downloaded our current app yet?

We are now sending our reminders through the app instead of sending texts and emails.

Some of you have asked about the different sections of the app:

- **Events:** Dates and details of various school events
- **Newsletters:** You can find copies of previous newsletters. They will continue to be emailed out to you / sent as paper copies if requested
- **Links:** Links to various useful websites (e.g. clubs/parents evening bookings/Parentpay)
- **Notifications:** reminders that we send out – we are using this instead of texts. Often the notification links to information in another section of the app (e.g. an event) so you can find it again.
- **News:** Various news items (this links directly to our [news and galleries](#) on our website)
- **Forms:** Not in use at the moment

Go to **Smart School Parent App** in your app store and choose St Barnabas School.

Please ignore the section that asks you to link your children to the account. Remember to update the settings section so you receive content directly related to your child's class.

Please ask at the office if you have any problems.

If you have our previous app 'OurSchoolsApp' please delete this.

Congratulations to the Y5/6 children who attended the residential visit to Robinwood recently. They were a fantastic group - challenging themselves and encouraging each other on all the different activities. You can see what they got up to [here](#).

Spring & Summer Dates 2019

*new date added or changed since previous newsletter

Date	Event
8/2	*2:30pm & 6pm Meeting for parents and residents about Jubilee Terrace closure on 25 th March in the hall.
	Wk beg 25th Feb HALF TERM
4/3	Children return. *New lunch menu
8/3	*9am PTA Meeting in the hall
11/3	Y5/6 Bikeability (cycle training) Mon pms 4 weeks (letter has been sent out) *Booking opens for Parents' Evenings
12/3	Maths Café 9-9:30 for Key Stage 2 Parents & Children (please book your place)
13/3	Simmonds Class Stay and Learn 2:30pm
15/3	Luther-King Class Stay and Learn 8:45am *Non-uniform for Red Nose Day £1 donation please
19/3	Edison Class Stay and Learn 8:45am
20/3	Malala Class Stay and Learn 8:45am
21/3	Shakespeare Class Stay and Learn 8:45am
21/3	9:15am Luther-King Class Service & refreshments
22/3	Anderson Class Stay and Learn 8:45am
25/3	* School Play Streets Event - Jubilee Terrace closed 12:30-4pm
26/3	*Anderson Class take part in Shakespeare performance at The Theatre Royal (in the evening- details to follow)
5/4	*3pm PTA Spring Fair
8/4	Parents' Evening 3:30-6pm
9/4	*2:30pm Simmonds Class Exit Task
11/4	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Wk beg 15/4 & 22/4 EASTER HOLIDAY
29/4 (Mon)	Children return to school (No INSET)
May	Year 2 statutory assessments to be carried out during May (please do not book holidays)
3/5 (Fri)	Swimming starts for Edison *Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Malala Class
3/5	*Last day to send in Bags 2 School / Clothes for PTA sale
6/5	Bank Holiday
7/5	*8:45-9:30 PTA Good as New Clothes Sale
9/5	9:15am Simmonds Class Service in church & refreshments
13/5	KS2 SATS week (please do not book holidays)
21/5	Spelling Café 9-9:30 for Key Stage 2 Parents & Children (refreshments)
23/5	*Luther-King visit to Tropical World
24/5	INSET – school closed
	Wk beg 27/5 HALF TERM
3/6	Children return to school
7/6	*Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Edison Class please
Wk 10/6	Year 1 phonics screening (please do not book holidays)
18/6	Spelling Café 9-9:30 for Reception & Key Stage 1 Parents & Children (refreshments)
27/6	9:15am Malala Class Service in church & refreshments
4/7	*PTA Quiz Night 7-9pm
5/7	Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Simmonds Class
12/7	12pm – 3pm Family Picnic and Sports Day
17/7	*PTA Uniform Swap 2-4pm
18/7	Leavers Disco FS/KS1 6-7pm KS2 7:15-8:45pm
Fri 19/7	1:45pm Leavers Service (tbc.) School closes for summer.
	Return to school Tuesday 3 rd September 2019