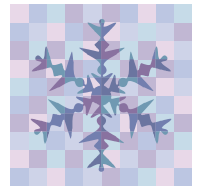




# St Barnabas News

11<sup>th</sup> November 2019



“Barnabas, the Encourager”

‘Community, Friendship, Trust, Truthfulness, Forgiveness, Courage’

Teachers are looking forward to discussing your child’s progress with you at Parents’ Evenings this week. The online bookings are now closed so please contact the office if you still need to make an appointment.

The Out of School Club will be offering free Stay and Play sessions 3-6pm whilst you attend your appointments. Just visit the club in the back of the hall to sign your children in when you arrive.

## Children in Need Day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

As we have two non-uniform days this month, we are not having a full non-uniform day. However, children are invited to wear Children in Need items (e.g. Pudsey ears) or a yellow item (top, socks etc).



To raise funds, the children would like to perform some songs for you from this year’s Children in Need album in assembly at 2:15pm. We hope that you will be so impressed by the singing that you will put a donation in our collection buckets. If you aren’t able to attend, you may like to send a donation in with your children instead.

## Congratulations to the new School Council

Our new School Council members have been elected this week and we are sure that they will do a fantastic job. We are very proud of the children that put themselves forward for election and gave speeches to their class, sharing their ideas about how they would like to improve the school. They were very courageous. The new members will be officially welcomed and presented with their badges at assembly on Friday and parents are invited to attend at 2:15pm.

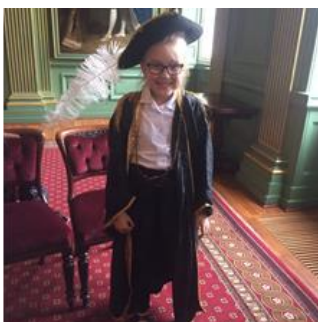
## Learning about Democracy and Parliament

As part of the curriculum, children are required to learn about the specific British Values of *democracy, individual liberty, rule of law, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.*

This week we have marked ‘UK Parliament Week’ in school through a range of activities:

- Children have elected their new school council members;
- Children have considered issues of national importance and each voted for the one they think is most important. Knife crime received the most votes and older children will now be writing to politicians about this;
- Shakespeare Class spent the afternoon at Mansion House, meeting the Lord Mayor and Sherriff of York - asking them questions and taking part in activities to learn more about these important roles;
  - Children have learned more about the role of parliament and how laws are made;
- Earlier this term, Anderson class learned about the National Youth Council and voted for an issue they would like to be discussed.

Look out for the fabulous work on display when you are next in school.



## Road Safety

You may have noticed our new bollards on Jubilee Terrace, reminding people to park safely. These are on loan to us from CYC at the moment but we are hoping to buy one of our own. Children learned more about road safety in an assembly led by Christine Packer, CYC travel officer, recently.

This week children will be bringing home their own copy of a book shared at assembly which looks at safety in and around cars in an amusing way. We hope you can look at it together.

Once again, I would like to remind you to avoid parking in Jubilee Terrace as there is limited space, meaning it becomes very unsafe for children. If you do come onto Jubilee Terrace, please park safely and do not block resident's drives.

In their recent pedestrian training, run by CYC, Luther-King class have learned how to keep themselves safe on the roads, including how to cross the road safely.



### Slight changes to new school lunch menu

There are a couple of errors on the new menus sent out before half term.

Week 1 Thursday should read beef burger or veggie burger;

Week 2 Fridays should be salmon fish fingers;

Week 3 Tuesday should be veggie sausage in a bun (not with mash).

An updated version can be found [here](#). Please amend your paper copies.

### **Keep upto date with school dates and communications**

Please download the Parent Mail app so that you can access our calendar of events and keep up to date. We are no longer sending text reminders for most events as this is costly to school so it is important that you have the app if possible. Click [here](#) to find out more about the app or pop into the office if you are having difficulties.

We also now have a **Facebook page** with the PTA where we are sharing information about children's learning and school events. This is a closed group, just for people associated with school. It's great to see that many of you have signed up and we would welcome any feedback. Click below to access the page and request to join. Please allow a couple of days for your request to join to be processed.  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StBarnabasPrimarySchool/?ref=bookmarks>

### **PTA News**

We will be holding a meeting to plan the Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 2:30pm. We really need volunteers to help run the stalls on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December so please come along to the meeting or email Tash at [stbarnabaspta@hotmail.com](mailto:stbarnabaspta@hotmail.com).

A **non-uniform day** will be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in return for a prize for the Christmas Fayre (adult or child). Please bring donations of alcohol straight to the school office, Thank you!

### **School closed on 12<sup>th</sup> December & Nativity change of date**

A reminder that school will be closed on this day as the school is being used as a polling station (more details in the email sent last week). The FS and KS1 Nativity will now take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.

**Thank you for your donations and for supporting the cake sale on for non-uniform day on Friday. Edison class will let you know their chosen charity very soon.**

### **Terrific Trains!**

Well done to children in Shakespeare and Anderson Class who have produced the most amazing models of trains and engines for their homework over half term. It's clear that a huge amount of effort has gone into making them and the level of detail is incredible. Thank you parents for your help with this project – we hope you enjoyed it too. Look out for them on display in school for the next few weeks.

**Our school improvement advisor, Mr Sutherland spent the day in school last week with a governor, looking at lessons and work in children's books. He was very positive about the improvement in the standard of work of in books and with the children's enthusiasm for learning and hard work in lessons. He commented how polite and well behaved the children were too. We are working hard to make improvements and it was great to have them acknowledged!**

## Vision and Values Consultation

We are in the process of reviewing our mission / vision statements and our core values.

Staff and governors spent the INSET day before half term looking at this and we would now like the views of parents and children.

Look out for the sheet being sent home today (attached for information) with questions for you to respond to. We will have spare copies of the sheet available at Parents' Evening if you would like to complete it while you are waiting for your appointment.

Please return any completed sheets to the box in the office by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**. If you would prefer to email your responses to school, that's fine too.



## **Book Fair in school** **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 3 -3:45pm**

**This will be held in the library after school.**  
**It's a great opportunity to do some Christmas Shopping and to help improve our library. The more books that are sold, the more books we can get for school.**



## **St Barnabas CE Primary School –Dates 2019-20 v 11.11.19(For Parents)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
12/11	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
13/11	Parents' Evening 3:30-6pm
15/11	Children can wear a Children in Need related item or yellow item of clothing 2:15 Assembly for Parents – School Council and Children in Need Song Performance
19/11	NSPCC assembly and Y5/6 workshop in school
20/11 to 22/11	Book Fair after school – held in library area
21/11	2:30pm Simmonds Stay & Learn
22/11	Non-uniform day in return for prizes for Christmas Fayre
Sat 23/11	Dance Club take part in Yorkshire Schools Dance Festival – York University
28/11	9:15am Shakespeare Class Service at church & refreshments
6/12	3pm PTA Christmas Fayre
10/12	Reception & KS1 Nativity performance in school 2pm
11/12	Reception & KS1 Nativity performance in school 2pm
13/12	Last swimming
18/12	School Christmas Dinner (children can wear Christmas jumpers)
19/12	Christmas parties in afternoon (children can wear party clothes to school)
20/12	9:15am Whole school carol service in church (tbc)
	<b>Wk beg 23<sup>th</sup> Dec/ 30<sup>th</sup> Dec CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b>
6/1/2020	School closed for INSET
7/1	Children return
10/1	Swimming starts for Luther-King class.
24/1	Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Shakespeare Class
29/1	YOYO RE day in school

13/2	9:15am Edison Class Service & refreshments Break up for half term
14/2	School closed for INSET
	<b>Wk beg 17<sup>th</sup> Feb HALF TERM</b>
24/2	Children return
28/2	Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Malala Class please
4/3	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
5/3	Parents' Evening 3:30-6pm
12/3	9:15am Luther-King Class Service & refreshments
13/3	Non-uniform day in return for donations of prizes for the Spring Fayre
27/3	3pm PTA Spring Fayre
30/3 or 31/3	Anderson Class – save the date – class take part in performance at Theatre Royal – evening
3/4	9:15am Easter Service at church (tbc) Last swimming for Luther-King class
	<b>Wk beg 6/4 &amp; 13/4 EASTER HOLIDAY</b>
Mon 20/4	Return to school – No INSET
30/4	Swimming starts for Edison Class
May	Year 2 statutory assessments to be carried out during May (please do not book holidays)
1/5	PTA Film night for children - in school
7/5	Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Luther-King Class
Friday 8/5	Bank Holiday
11/5	KS2 SATS week (please do not book holidays)
21/5	Simmonds Class Service in church & refreshments (time tbc)
22/5	Break up for half term
	<b>Wk beg 25/5 HALF TERM</b>
1/6	Children return to school
Wk 8/6	Year 1 statutory phonics screening (please do not book holidays) Year 4 statutory times tables test over next 3 weeks (please do not book holidays)
12/6	Non uniform day (£1) & cake sale after school. Donations of cake from Simmonds Class please
24/6	Year 6 visit to York University
25/6	Malala Class Service in church & refreshments (time tbc)
26/6	Non uniform day in return for prizes for the Summer Fayre
3/7	Last swimming
10/7	12pm – 3pm Family Picnic and Sports Day 3pm PTA Summer Fayre
16/7	Leavers Disco FS/KS1 6-7pm KS2 7:15-8:45pm
Fri 17/7	1:45pm Leavers Service (tbc) School closes for summer.
	Return to school Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2020

