



School Newsletter

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Message from Miss Woolgar

Welcome to the end of another amazing week of learning at St Barnabas. Although there were many tired and disappointed faces on Monday, the children have been able to get outdoors and active in the glorious sunshine this week which we hope has helped to raise their spirits!

End of Term Events

School Reports

Your child's end of year report will be sent home electronically early next week.

Tuesday 20th July

Orangutan Day: A reminder that all children are invited to come dressed in animal-themed outfits to help Sentamu Class raise money for the Orangutan Foundation International. Please pay the £1 via Parentpay

Wednesday 21st July

Visit of PSCO to Key Stage 2 classes to talk about, for example, keeping safe on the roads over the summer holidays.

Thursday 22nd July

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly: Please use the Zoom link below to join us in a virtual celebration of our fantastic leavers, starting at 9.30 am.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75688692334?pwd=UndlQ3N4T08wSW8rTXBxOHZyOVhldz09>

Meeting ID: 756 8869 2334 Passcode: 3tYNca

Friday 23rd July:

Last day of term. Please note the earlier end to the school day next Friday at 1.30pm.

Community week

The children have all taken part enthusiastically in a range of community-based activities this week, meeting and interviewing people who locally make a difference to their community, designing new hangings for the school tree and having fun together in our sporting extravaganza on Thursday. Please can we remind parents and carers that if they took photographs or videos of the children during this event through the fence, that they are kept only for personal use and are not shared on social media.

A Message from the PTA

Last week over £1,100 worth of new books were bought by the PTA for children in each class to cover the new reading curriculum. These will benefit all children in the school. Once again a HUGE thank you for all those who have joined in fundraising activities and have supported the PTA. We hope the children get a lot of enjoyment from these!

Jade and I will be stepping down as Treasurer and Chair in October. I will send out dates for the Annual General Meeting in September when new members will be elected. The PTA is a great charity to get involved with and desperately needs the help of parents to keep it running. Over the last 3 years, the money raised has been spent on chrome books (£1000), paper books (£1100), playground equipment, performances in school, school trips and buses and Christmas gifts. Without these fundraising activities, these extra resources would not be available. If you feel you could help in running the PTA or would like to help out on one of the fundraising activities, please get in touch and come to the meeting in October.

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Thanks for your support. Have a brilliant summer!

Tash Hitch (PTA Chair)

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Nyong'o Class

We have had a wonderful time in Nyong'o Class this week learning all about the community. During the week we have learnt about our school community, local community and world community! We have talked about who we know in these different communities and that everyone is special and should be valued. We have talked about similarities and differences between ourselves and others and that it is ok to be different and celebrate our differences. We have made some beautiful flowers with Mrs Dessi and during Wild Wednesday we cut hearts out of leaves to give to our friends. We all thoroughly enjoyed Sports Day and our picnic on the field. Everyone tried their absolute best and were all really encouraging of each other. Have a look on Tapestry to see our races and photos of us competing in the different activities. **However, please respect other parents' wishes that anything posted on Tapestry should not be shared on social media platforms as many parents do not wish their children to be on these sites.** Have a lovely weekend and see you all next week!



Attenborough Class

This week has been a busy week for Attenborough class and they have all shown great resilience with new challenges this week. This week has been our community week and we have spent some time with Nyong'o class learning about our school community, our home community, our local community and the world. On Thursday we had our sports day and learned all about our school community and being a good team player. The children were great team mates and cheered each other on! We are very proud of all of them and how hard they tried with their races and challenges. Today we worked as a team to create a huge world map showing different people around the world from different communities.

This week the children have also met their new teacher for September, Mr Smith. He spent all of sports day with us and we learned lots about him! The children are very excited to have him as their teacher next year!



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Johnson Class



Wow! This week has been fun-filled and active with lots of learning about our community. We have thought about how we feel as though we belong to a community and have developed our own sense of community in school through Sports Day. Mrs Murrie and I are so impressed with all the children's effort and enthusiasm from yesterday. They all tried their absolute best! In RE, we considered how religion helps people feel part of a wider community and compared another religion to Christianity. We saw that no matter the religion, people find love and support from it!

In Maths, we have continued our active learning by thinking about positional language and direction. We have made obstacle courses for our BeeBots to travel through and described their movement to our friends. We also guided our friends around the classroom and playground using our language!

In English, we finished our whale non-chronological report and have been developing our knowledge of contractions and have built sentences using our contractions. We have become superstars at spotting an apostrophe!

Farah Class

Team Farah! What a week! It seems hard to believe that only 5 days ago we were making Stone Age bread and butter, and learning all about the prehistoric period from our guest specialist. Since Monday, we have mapped out our own version of "Stone Age Boy", listened to lots of chapters of our class novel *Despereaux* and sped up phenomenally in our daily timestables challenges!

Oh yes,... and then,... We had a SPORTS DAY! Everyone took part, whether it was bean bag on the head racing, relay racing, scoring goals at football, carrying water to fill a bucket up, or flinging the javelin as far as possible.... 3 of our team members nearly lobbed it into the churchyard!

We had a wonderful outdoor picnic lunch together and finished our day with rocket lollies, which were very welcome after such a hot afternoon of competition! Everyone is definitely ready for a lazy, sunny weekend!



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Kahlo Class



As the penultimate week draws to a close, Kahlo have reflected on the awesome week they have had. We kicked off the week with an immersive, interactive and incredibly interesting 'prehistoric day'. This included making Stone Age jewellery, baking bread like prehistoric people and even becoming archaeologists digging for artefacts.

Elsewhere, the battle for supremacy between day and night waged on in our discussion texts and we have been learning to order, compare and understand those pesky decimals, with lots of success. Our reading this week has centred around African folk tales, learning lots about different cultures and their rationales about how things have come to be.

Their sportsmanship they showed during Sports Day was phenomenal, and everyone did themselves proud. We've got one week to go, and I can't wait for them to smash it!



Sentamu Class

Sentamu class have had an incredibly busy week. On Monday we had our Prehistory day to fit in with our Stone Age to Iron Age history topic. We found artefacts like archaeologists, learned how the first bread was made and had a workshop with Historical Interpretations, looking at the Late Stone Age and Bronze Age. On Wednesday we led Worship, telling Kahlo class about our Orangutan day next week and had a visit from a local vet, who told us all about her job. In the afternoon we visited Homestead Park. We saw the Alice in Wonderland willow sculptures, played on the equipment and had a game of rounders. Then Thursday we had our Sporting extravaganza, including the year 6 water splash race! It has been a fantastic week and we are looking forward to making next week a special one for year 6.

