



St. Barnabas Newsletter

Our Value for this month Thankfulness

Our Bible verse for this month is:

'Give thanks with a grateful heart' 1 Thessalonians Chapter 5 verse 18

1st March 2019

Welcome back

Welcome back to the start of Spring Term 2, we are now officially over the halfway mark of the school year. Let's hope the good weather continues and that we are moving towards Spring.

Worcester City Run

We are pleased to announce that Steve Cram will be visiting school next Thursday, 7th March along with the Mayor of Worcester to officially launch the Worcester City Run that will be held later this year. The exact date will be in our next newsletter. We are anticipating that BBC Midlands Today will be filming the event and BBC Hereford & Worcester are broadcasting from the launch event too.

Our Middle School pupils will be joining Steve on a "jog" around the school field as well as hearing how the Great Britain Olympic team prepare for elite events using cryogenic products supplied by Air Products.

School Gates

Due to new safeguarding advice that has recently been issued to all schools our entrance gate on Stonebow Road will be open at 8.40am and close promptly at 8.55am. Any pupils who arrive after this time need to enter the school via the main entrance so that they can be signed in for registration purposes. Roy, our crossing patrol warden, is under strict instruction to close the gate at 8.55am and we ask that all parents respect this. The gate will not be opened before 8.40am so pupils should not be here before that time.

Sounds of St Barnabas

This event is a wonderful musical celebration that gives the children an opportunity to show off their musical talents to their friends and families. We have extended the deadline to Monday 4th March for slips to be returned, please send them into the school office.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 8th March. Children came home with a letter about this earlier in the week. Mrs Reeder is finalising a range of exciting activities to celebrate our love of reading and books.

School Class and Year Photographs

NextGen will be joining us on Tuesday 26th March to take Class and Year photographs which will be available for you to purchase. We do ask that on that day all children are sent into school with their school jumper. A letter with full details will follow shortly.

Parents Evenings

Next week, the children will be coming home with their parent's evening letters. These will be taking place on Wednesday 3rd April between 5.30pm – 8.00pm and Thursday 4th April between 4.00pm – 6.30pm. Your appointment time with the teacher is very important to discuss their progress etc. However, as ever, timing is tight so we ask you to appreciate the need for your appointment to remain within the allocated time of 10 minutes. If you have further concerns that need to be discussed, then an additional appointment can be made. Please send back your time slot requests promptly so you can be allocated an appointment.

Year 4 Residential Trip Meeting Reminder: 3.30pm Tuesday 5th March -There will be a short meeting after school on Tuesday 5th March for parents of Year 4 children who are going on the Residential trip in April.

Social Media

Please follow us on Twitter: @StBarnabasDB and on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Barnabas-CE-First-Middle-School-1784179715240816/> to see our latest achievements.

Upcoming Dates/ Events.
(Full details will be sent out nearer the time and published on the website).

<http://st-barnabas.dowmat.education/>

MARCH 2019

8th World Book Day
15th Cake Sale Middle School
15th School disco,
6-7pm First School
7.30-9pm Middle School
18th-24th Shakespeare Week
29th Mother's Day
Secret Room

APRIL 2019

2nd International Book day
3rd Parents Evening 5.30 – 8
4th Parents Evening 4 - 6.30
5th Year 1 (9am) 5AH (11am)
Class Led Assembly
5th Year 4 Transition Day
5th Chocolate Bingo
9th Sound of St Barnabas
10th-12th Year 4 Residential
12th Term Ends
15th-26th EASTER HOLIDAYS
29th School Closed – TED DAY

MAY 2019

10th Year 3 (9am) 5LG (11am)
Class Led Assembly
13th Year 6 SAT's all week
24th Elmer Day
27th-31st HALF TERM BREAK

JUNE 2019

3rd-7th Year 7
French Trip/Activity Week
7th KS2 (Y3,4,5,6)
Spelling Bee
11th St Barnabas Day
21st Recep (9am) 7LP (11am)
Class Led Assembly
24th, 25th, 26th
PHS Parents Evenings
24th – Magellan House
25th – Kingsley House
26th – Armstrong House
28th Pyramid Transition Day

JULY 2019

1st Pyramid Transition Day
2nd Beauty and the Beast
3rd Beauty and the Beast
4th Beauty and the Beast
8th Reports sent out
9th Field Events (Middle School)
10th Sports Day (Whole School) Followed by Family Picnic
12th School Games Day
12th Summer Fayre
16th Reserve Sports Day
18th Leavers Assembly
18th Term Ends
19th & 22nd SCHOOL CLOSED

School Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the following vacancies; Permanent Lunchtime Supervisor, Monday through to Friday during term time, Relief Lunchtime Supervisors and Relief Pre School Workers to cover if the permanent staff are absent. If you are interested or know anyone else who might be interested, please contact the school office for further information and an application pack on 01905 840366 or office@st-barnabasfirstmiddle.worcs.sch.uk

Sports Events

Year 4 Dance Festival

On Wednesday before half term, the children went to a dance festival at Prince Henrys High School. They performed a dance in relation to their history topic. They brought home the Gold School Games Mark which we have been awarded again this year, look out for a photo in the Worcester News.

Year 6 Football

St Barnabas played against Whittington Primary School in a friendly football match. The team won 7-0. Great display shown from all the players and good teamwork demonstrated. Well done.

Level 3 School Games- a national entrant

Yesterday three runners represented South Worcestershire at the School Games Cross Country event held at Wolverly High School in Kidderminster. We are so proud of all our runners, Arran, Millie and Freya who ran strongly and particular congratulations to Arran who has qualified again for the National School Event to be held in March.

Friends News - March 2019

Dates for your diary:

- ❖ 15th March - School disco, 6-7pm First School and 7.30-9pm Middle School
Those that had already paid for the February disco will automatically be down to attend. Letter will be coming home next week for children who haven't paid and would like to come now the date has changed.
- ❖ 29th March - Mother's Day secret room
- ❖ 5th April - Chocolate Bingo

Dates for events throughout the year are now on our Facebook page @FriendsofStB - please like and share.

Do you use the Co-Op?

You can now earn rewards for St Barnabas through the Co-Op's Community Fund. We will be raising money for the First School Hall - to replace the floor, decorate and if funds allow install new audio visual equipment. Find out more and register here <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/27774>. Ask all your friends and family to support by registering their cards as well.

Every time you spend and use your loyalty card you can earn rewards for the school, to date we have raised £258.58.

100 Club:

Interested in supporting the Friends but limited time? Join the 100 club - a cash prize every month.

Email friends@stbarnabasfirstmiddle.worcs.sch.uk or pick up a flier from the office.

The Friends

friends@st-barnabasfirstmiddle.worcs.sch.uk

ST BARNABAS CHURCH

If you came to our festival of light in October, you may have a Christingle collection box. If you do and have filled it with your loose change, can you please bring it into the school office as we are ready to send our donations off to the childrens society.

We will be serving homemade soup and bread in church every Friday throughout Lent, starting 8th March from 12.30-2pm. Everyone is welcome and we hope to welcome many old friends and make some new ones too.

Donations will be collected for a chosen charity - to be decided.

Many thanks.

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES – MARCH 2019

3 rd March	9.30am	Worship for all
10 th March	9.30am	Worship for all with Communion*
17 th March	9.30am	Worship for all
24 th March	9.30am	Worship for all with Communion*
31 st March	9.30am	Worship for all on Mothering Sunday

*Sunday School happens on the second and fourth Sundays, starting at 9.30am in the Village Hall and joining in with the Church for the blessing and Communion.

All children and parents welcome!