



ST. BARNABAS NEWSLETTER

Our Value for this month 'Generosity'

Our Bible verse for this month is:

'Give and it will be given to you' Luke 6 vs 38

21st December 2018

Christmas Productions

Thank you for coming along and supporting your children in both the Key Stage 1 Nativity and the Year 3 - 7 Christmas cracker. Having you as an audience makes all their hard work worthwhile and they really rose to the occasion. Thank you for your wonderful comments, we have passed them on to the children.

Panto Fun

Our younger children had a wonderful time at the Worcester panto 'Maid Marian and her Merry Men' on Wednesday. The part where Dame Ginny decided to marry Mr Kilgallon caused great hilarity.

Business as Usual

After the Regional School's Commissioner's decision to allow an age range change in Avonreach schools (subject to meeting conditions) we have been contacted by a number of parents from feeder schools. The message that we wish to give is that we will continue to offer a Middle School education with all its benefits for children whose parents wish them to come here.

It's a pity that the decision now puts us in direct competition with NJK but we will still continue to work closely with them, as we have up till now, for the benefit of all children.

The Big Education Conversation

Thank you to those who have shared their thoughts on what the future of Education might look like. If you still wish to, here is the link to the survey. There is also a link on our Twitter feed and Facebook page.

On Thursday 17th January we will be holding two meetings/ workshops for parents to come and join in with the discussion. We would like as many parents as possible to come and share your thoughts on the future of education - What do schools need to do or change if they are to prepare children for a successful future in the 21st Century?

The meetings will be at 10.30am and 1.45pm. We may also be joined by a representative of the Big Change who have asked us to pilot the discussion.

You can sign up to one of the meetings by either completing the online survey or contacting the school office.

On a personal note, thank you for all the good wishes and cards that I have received, they really mean a lot. I'll miss being part of the St Barnabas Community but will be popping in to see everyone.

On behalf of everyone at school, Staff, Pupils and Governors, I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.



CHRISTMAS HAT COMPETITION 2018 RESULTS

Pre-School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
1 st - Olivia C	1 st - Harry	1 st - Callum	1 st - Oscar
2 nd - George R	2 nd - Eliza	2 nd - Erin	2 nd - William
3 rd - David	3 rd - Summer	3 rd - Emily	3 rd - Harry

Congratulations to our winners and well done to all the children. The hat creations were all amazing and it was very hard to choose our winners.

Upcoming Dates/ Events.

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

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

January 2019

- 7th SCHOOL CLOSED TED DAY
- 8th Spring Term Starts
- 18th Cake Sale
- First School to provide cakes
- 25th Young Voices Concert
- 28th National Storytelling Week
- 31st Year 2 (9am) 7BL (11am)
- Class Led Assembly

February 2019

- 1st February - School disco, 6-7pm First School
- 7.30-9pm Middle School
- 5th Safer Internet Day
- 7th Harry Potter Book Night
- 8th Parent Drop In 1.40-3pm
- 18th-22nd HALF TERM BREAK

March 2019

- 7th World Book Day
- 18th-24th Shakespeare Week

APRIL 2019

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

MAY 2019

- 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) SpellingBee
- 11th St Barnabas Day
- 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
- 16th Reserve Sports Day
- 18th Leavers Assembly
- 18th Term Ends
- 19th & 22nd SCHOOL CLOSED

Twitter: @StBarnabasDB

Collective Worship and Class Led Assemblies

Collective Worship - Every half a term each class hold a Collective Worship in Church and parents are welcome to join them for this service. Please find the dates below for the Spring Term.

Class-Led Assembly – Each class holds a Class-Led Assembly once a year which is focused on the current value.

Parents are very much encouraged to attend, please find the dates below:

Collective Worship	
Date	Church 9am
7 th Jan	
14 th Jan	Year 7
21 st Jan	Year 6
28 th Jan	Year 5
4 th Feb	Year 3 & 4
11 th Feb	R & Yr1 & Yr2
25 th Feb	
4 th March	Year 7
11 th March	Year 6
18 th March	Year 5
25 th March	Year 3 & 4
1 st April	R & Yr1 & Yr2
8 th April	Easter Service

Class Led Assemblies		
Date	Time	Year Group
31 st Jan	9am	Year 2 – First School Hall
31 st Jan	11am	7BL – Middle School Hall
4 th April	9am	Year 1 – First School Hall
4 th April	11am	5AH – First School Hall
9 th May	9am	Year 3 – First School Hall
9 th May	11am	5LG – Middle School Hall
20 th June	9am	Reception – First School Hall
20 th June	11am	7LP – Middle School Hall

SPORTS NEWS

Wednesday 12th December we took a Year 6 team, six boys and 6 girls to the Sportshall Athletics at The De Montfort Academy Evesham. The team tried so hard at all the events and thoroughly enjoyed representing the school. Nine teams took part and we came 6th overall. The team were a credit to the school.

PE Sick notes

If your child is unable to participate in a PE lesson and this is over a prolonged period, could you please write a letter to confirm when your child can restart lessons again. We are not able to accept the child's confirmation.

Please also ensure extra layers are in school for next term's outdoor lessons.

Friends News - December 2018

We have had a busy term and would like to thank you for all your support at the Christmas Fair, purchasing tea towels and coming out to see Father Christmas when the Round Table visited the village and supported the Friends. We have lots more planned for 2019.

Dates for your diary:

18th January - Cake Sale, First School to provide cakes

1st February - School disco, 6-7pm First School, 7.30-9pm Middle School

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

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.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

The Friends

friends@st-barnabasfirstmiddle.worcs.sch.uk

St Barnabas Church Christmas Services

Sunday 23rd December

NO SERVICE

Monday 24th December

Christmas Eve **CRIB SERVICE** at 5pm

St Edmunds, Stoulton

11.30pm Midnight Service

CHRISTMAS MORNING!

9.30am. Christmas Morning Worship... 'Joy to the World'

Bring a pressie to show and tell!