



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



News in school

Good afternoon,

Sometimes, when I sit down to write to you all, it's hard to know where to start. The things that are filling my headspace might not be the same as the things filling yours, and I want to make sure that whatever you are reading is worth your precious time.

This week I thought I would focus on the fact that every voice matters. Zephaniah writes of God noticing and responding to injustice: hearing, in particular, the voices of those who are most vulnerable. Peter, in the book of Acts, assures his listeners that everyone is included in God's family – every voice is important to Him. And Jesus, walking on the road to Emmaus, listens before he speaks. He gives his companions the time to share their story and their feelings before he responds. Just as he had done during his ministry, he allows everyone a voice and honours each of those who speaks, even when he may disagree with them quite fundamentally.

As a teacher, I notice the pupils in my classroom jumping up and down in their seats, hands waving in the air, waiting their turn to speak. I feel instinctively that many of them are not really listening to their peers but simply wanting their own voice to be heard. We spend a lot of time and energy on developing active listening skills!

I have to remind myself of this sometimes in my work today: the need to pause the voice in my head that is running through the never-ending list of jobs to be done and take the time to honour the person in front of me by really properly listening to what they have to say.

As ever, we are here to listen if you ever need someone to speak to – just drop us an email, pick up the phone and I promise, we will honour you by listening with care.

Have a happy and safe weekend, that is hopefully filled with fun and festivities.

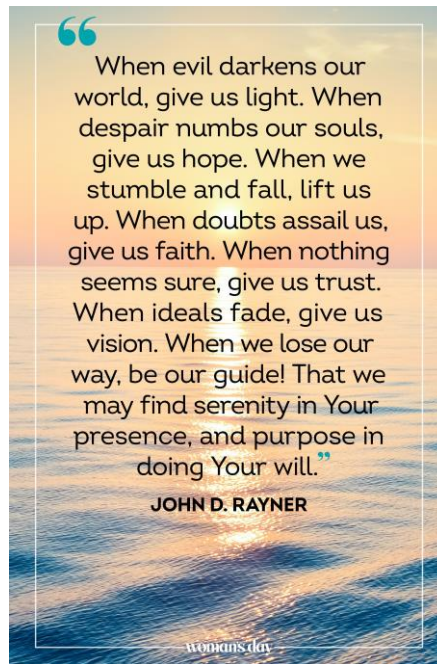
Take care.

Miss Ingle

Bible verse of the week

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid" John 14:27

School worship



SATs Week

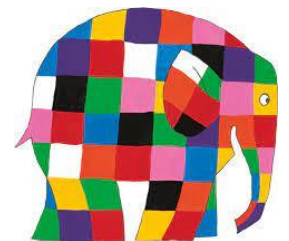
KS2 Breakfast Club starts on Tuesday 9th May at 8am. If you haven't already done so, please complete the food order form as I will be sorting the food over the weekend. It would be wonderful to see all of year 6 there. It really is a great way to start the day before the tests.

Coronation events in Spalding this weekend

Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter advertising what is happening in Spalding on Saturday 6th May to celebrate the King's Coronation.

Elmer Day

On Friday 26th May we will be celebrating 'Elmer day' at school. This is the most colourful day of the year! We will be celebrating themes of inclusivity and friendship which run throughout all of Elmer's books. Each class will be delivering different activities throughout the day. Please can the children come to school in brightly coloured non uniform clothes. There is no charge for this event.



Attendance winner of the week

Apple Class are the attendance winners of the week!

Church/Village News

Thirsty on Thursday – 11th May 2023

The Church will be open between 9.30am and 11am for you to drop in any time for tea/coffee and a chat.

Scarecrow Competition

Our classes have entered a Coronation themed scarecrow competition that Willoughby Foods Ltd are running. They have received 19 entries and the winner, which will be announced on Tuesday, wins a trip to Sandringham Castle.



Your amazing Scarecrow Entries



Dates for Your Diary

8th May - Bank Holiday – His Majesty’s Coronation
19th May – PTFA Curry & Movie night – 7pm
25th May – Oak & Willow – Trip to Skegness Aquarium & Beach
26th May – Elmer Day (brightly coloured non uniform clothes)
26th May – Term 5 ends
5th June – Term 6 begins
10th June – Pinchbeck Carnival (Rotten Row Playing Field)
11th June – PTFA Car Boot Sale – 9am
14th June – Online Safety – Ask Dan Anything – 6pm (Virtual)
21st June – Summer Concert – 5.30pm
29th June – PTFA Summer Fayre – 2.30pm
18th July – Whole school Trip – Woburn Safari Park
20th July – Leavers Disco – 3.15pm
21st July – Term 6 ends
1st October – West Pinchbeck 10k/School FunRun

Any Other News

PE / Swimming Timetable

Every child will need a swimming costume (one piece) or swimming shorts (preferably tight fitting to make movement through the water more effective), a towel and a swimming hat. You can purchase a plain white swimming hat for £1 via ParentMail. If your child wears glasses and needs to do so in the pool, please speak to their class teacher as there is a safety form for you to complete before they are able to go in the pool.

	PE	Swimming
Apple	Monday	Wednesday
Palm	Tuesday	Thursday
Oak	Friday	Tuesday
Willow	Thursday	Friday


School Opening

Our school office is open from 8.30am to 3.15pm, Monday to Friday. If you wish to contact the school out of these hours, please email enquiries@stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk or call 01775 640357 and leave a message on our answerphone. Thank you.

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SPALDING TOWN CENTRE
SATURDAY 6TH MAY
10AM - 2PM

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