



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



News in school 23.11.23

Good afternoon,

We have been approached by Agape Foodbank and Spalding Lions to nominate a family to receive a food hamper (Agape) or a Christmas present (Spalding Lions) for their child. All the children's names will be entered into a prize draw and the names pulled out of the hat will receive the items on offer. We will contact those families to confirm that they are happy to receive these items.

We are looking at increasing our After School Care hours to 6pm and enquiring if there is a need for this facility. Please complete the form on ParentMail indicating if you would or would not require this facility.

The children have been busy making Christmas decorations to decorate a Christmas tree in Spalding Methodist Church. On Tuesday, four children came with me to decorate the St Bartholomew's Christmas tree. If you wish to see the trees, please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter which details dates and times.



Change of time for Christingle and Carols by Candlelight Service Tuesday 19th December

We have taken the decision to move the time of this service 2.15pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Children are to be collected at 3.15pm from the Village Hall.

PTFA Non-Uniform Day

The PTFA are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 1st December in exchange for donations for the Christmas Fayre that is being held on Thursday 14th December at 2.30pm.

Reverse Advent Calendar

We will be running a reverse advent calendar this year. A cardboard box will be available every day in December (until Tuesday 19th December) in each classroom for your child to add one item during that time. These items will be donated to Agape Food Bank. Donation suggestions: Christmas-specific non-perishable food items, Christmas crackers, colouring books, stationery, tinned fruit or veg, potatoes, pasta, rice, soup, rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, toiletries.

Christmas Cards

Should the children wish to send Christmas cards to their friends, they can do by posting their cards in the school post box from Friday 1st December. The post box can be found by the book vending machine near the reflective area.

Apple & Palm Class Christmas Performance

Apple and Palm Class will be presenting their Christmas Performance, Baarmy Bethlehem, on Monday 11th at 6pm and Tuesday 12th December at 2.30pm. **We ask that the children return to school for the evening performance, in full uniform at 5.30pm ready for a 6pm start. For those parents not attending the evening performance, please collect your child at 6.30pm.** Due to health and safety precautions, we are only able to offer four attendees per family. Please complete the ticket form and send monies to the office as this is a very popular event and therefore entry will not be possible without tickets.

On Friday 8th, it will be the dress rehearsal and we have a photographer coming to take pictures of the children in their costumes. These will then be available to purchase on the night at £5 each or 3 for £10.

Christmas Jumper Day

The children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on Wednesday 13th December for a donation of £1 towards South Lincolnshire Domestic Abuse Service (SoLDAS [Boston Women's Aid]). Christmas jumpers can be shop bought or home decorated. If anyone would like to donate any Christmas jumpers that their children have grown out of, we would be happy to receive them in school.

Whole School Christmas Lunch

The whole school will be sitting down to Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 13th December. If you wish for your child to have a Christmas lunch, please order via Willoughby Foods Ltd by Tuesday 5th December 3pm. The menu is at the end of this newsletter.

PTFA Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre will take place on Thursday 14th December at 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Those children who travel home by taxi and attend Afterschool Kids Club will be able to attend with a nominated member of staff from 2.30pm until 3.15pm.

Panto Trip

The whole school will be attending the panto at the South Holland Centre on Friday 15th December. If you haven't done so already, please complete the permission form and make payment via ParentMail.

Take care.
Miss Ingle

School worship

Bless us with Love, O Merciful God; That we may Love as you Love. That we may show patience, tolerance, Kindness, caring and love to all.

Amen

Bible verse of the week

1 Corinthians 13:13

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Celebrated this week in Collective Worship

w/e 24.11.2023	Fantastic award	Excellence award
Apple Class	Gracie	Elliott
Palm Class	Tommy E	Evelyn
Oak Class	Poppy	Ruby
Willow Class	Vova	Freddie

Attendance winner of the week

Palm Class are the attendance winners of the week.

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Event
29 th November		Apple Class trip to Tallington Farm
1 st December		PTFA Non-Uniform Day (donations for Christmas Fayre)
5 th December		Oak Class Trip to Rockingham Castle 'A Victorian Christmas'
6 th December	6-7.30pm	Ask Dan Anything – Online Safety Q&A
7 th December	7-8.30pm	Webinar re: County Lines
11 th December	6pm	Apple & Palm Class Christmas Performance
12 th December	2.30pm	Apple & Palm Class Christmas Performance
13 th December		Christmas Jumper Day
13 th December		Christmas Lunch (order via Willoughby Foods website)
13 th December	3.15 - 4.30pm	PTFA Christmas Disco
14 th December	2.30-5pm	PTFA Christmas Fayre
15 th December		Whole school trip to Panto (South Holland Centre)
19 th December	2.15pm	Christingle & Carols by Candlelight at the Church
20 th December		End of Term 2

All calendar dates/events can be found on our school website by clicking on the 'calendar' tab. If you wish to add an event to your calendar, you can do so by clicking on the link and pressing the 'add to calendar' button.

Any Other Information

PE/Swimming Timetable Term 2:

	Outdoor PE	Indoor PE
Apple	Monday	Wednesday
Palm	Tuesday	Thursday
Oak	Thursday	Monday
Willow	Friday	Tuesday

PTFA Easy Fundraising is a great source of funds for the school which could raise £££s for the PTFA. A range of retailers, holiday companies, Ebay, Tesco and many more donate a percentage of money spent when parents / carers / guardians spend money. It costs the consumer absolutely nothing at all. Parents/carers/guardians need to click on the easy fundraising link:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/>

- Register an email and password
- Nominate your cause
- Download a reminder tool to browser so when purchases are made through a partner a reminder is sent.

Make the purchase and a percentage goes to St Barts!

After School Clubs

Please be aware that Netball club will not take place on Monday 27th November 2023.

Family Collective Worship

Please be aware that Family Collective Worship will not take place Friday 8th December 2023.

School Mobile Phone

We now have a school mobile for afterschool care. The number is: 07396725986 It will be turned off during the school day. It will only be available for parents who have children attending afterschool care during afterschool care hours. **PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE FIRST IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.**

After School Kids Club

Please be aware that if parents/carers/guardians are more than 10 minutes late collecting from after school clubs at 4pm there will be a charge of a full hour, per child, childcare cost.

Pencil Cases

Please remember to ask your child regularly if they require anything replenishing.

Severe Weather/Snow Closure

In the event of severe weather, we will always strive to ensure that the school remains open, but in the event that extreme weather conditions necessitate the closure of the school we will advise you of this in a number of ways. We will notify parents via email via Parentmail, update the school website and advise Lincs FM and BBC Lincolnshire radio stations so listen out to their broadcasts or log onto their websites. We will also post a message on the school's Facebook and 'X' pages.

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 call 01775 640357 and leave a message on our answerphone or alternatively email enquiries@stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk.



**BROAD STREET METHODIST CHURCH
SPALDING**

**See our
DECORATED
CHRISTMAS TREES
10.00 - 1.30**



**Enjoy some
REFRESHMENTS
10.00 -2.00**

**Browse the stalls at the
CHRISTMAS FAYRE
10.00 - 2.00**



**Join in the
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
10.00—1.00**

**ON SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER, HOT DRINKS AND
CAROL SINGING AMONG THE DECORATED TREES
BETWEEN 5.00 p.m.—6.30 p.m.**

**SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER
SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER**

Willoughby
Foods Ltd.

"Healthy School Meals children can't get enough of"

Christmas Lunch Menu

Wednesday 13th December

**Roast Turkey, Stuffing Ball,
Pigs in Blanket, Mashed Potatoes
Peas, Carrots & Gravy**

Or

**Quorn Fillet, Stuffing Ball,
Yorkshire Pudding,
Mashed Potatoes
Peas, Carrots & Gravy**

Arctic Roll

