St Bartholomew's C of E Primary

9th February 2024



Dear Parents / Carers / Guardians

Well, what an incredibly busy term it has been. Our children hold many responsibilities throughout the school. Our curriculum council have been delving into our subjects to look at the "essence" of each one and what learning looks like in our school. School council are busy planning for Red Nose Day which is on the 15th March. It has been wonderful to see our House Captains planning and delivering exciting competitions and we are looking forward to "St Bartholomew's has Talent" when we return from our week away. Keep your beady eyes out for some masked readers that will be sneaking onto Facebook very soon in preparation for World Book Day on the 7th March.

Our Governors have been in to monitor our school along with county advisors and all have been very positive and complimentary on the behaviour of our children, dedication of staff and level of learning. Well done everyone!

Pancake Day!

Traditionally during Lent, Christians would give up rich, tasty foods such as butter, eggs, sugar and fat (some Christians continue to do so, in fact). Shrove Tuesday was the last chance to eat them – and what better way to do so than with a delicious pancake! We hope you have lots of fun flipping pancakes next Tuesday and we would like to thank the lovely Church ladies for cooking more delicious pancakes for the whole of our school! THANK YOU!



Valentines Day



The 8th-century Gelasian Sacramentary recorded the

celebration of the Feast of Saint Valentine on February 14. The day became associated with romantic love in the 14th and 15th centuries when notions of courtly love flourished, apparently by association with the "lovebirds" of early spring. We hope your homes are filled with love over the half term break.

We hope that you have a wonderful and fun-filled half term and look forward to seeing you when we return on the 19th February.

Take care, Miss Ingle

Elite Sports Tournaments: On 30th

January 2024 ten of our Year 1 and 2 children were invited to attend a Multi-skills Festival hosted by Elite Sports Academy on 30th January 2024. The team were challenged to complete lots of different activities such as: jumping, skipping, throwing, catching and lunging, allowing them to achieve their personal bests. The children were so excited and participated with such determination, enthusiasm and drive to succeed, showing their love of being physically active. We were incredibly proud of all of the children for being



fantastic little ambassadors for St Bart's. Each of them returned to school with beaming smiles, medals and a certificate to celebrate their achievements. A huge thank you to Mrs Amatt and Mrs Thomas for accompanying the children and to parents for their support with transport arrangements.

Red Nose Day:

Red Nose Day takes place on Friday 15th March 2024. We are asking for donations of £1 in exchange for wearing red for the day.



Attendance Winner of the Week:

Apple Class are the attendance winners of the week and as a reward will take Gerald to the park w/c 19th February 2024!

House Point Champions—Term 3:

Eagles (Yellow) are the house point champions for term 3 and have earned a non-uniform day on **Tuesday 27th February 2024.**

Term 4 Breakfast Club: Bookings for attending our Breakfast club can be made via ParentMail.

Term 4 After School Clubs: The following clubs take place during term 4

and can be booked via ParentMail; they are free and run by staff/parents. Childcare is also available in school every day from 3.15pm until 5pm. You are able to book sessions from 3.15pm to 4pm, 3.15pm to 5pm, or 4pm to 5pm if your child is attending a free club first. The clubs on offer must be booked even if they are free. Available clubs are:

Monday Yr 5 & 6 Netball (Miss Cox)

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.

We 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. For all other queries, please contact the school office.

PTFA News:

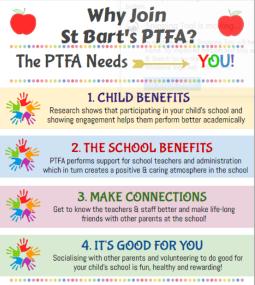
Easy Fundraising is a great source of funds for the school which could raise £££s for the PTFA. A range of retailers, holiday companies, Ebay, Tesco and many more donate a percentage of money spent when parents / carers / guardians spend money. It costs the consumer absolutely nothing at all. Parents/carers/guardians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

£34.21 raised since September 2023



Reading Rocks Club: As I am writing this I cannot believe how quickly this term has gone. Christmas seems such a long time ago and I'm pleased to say Reading is in full swing across the school!

This term Apple & Palm were invited to Reading Rocks club during Friday lunch. We chatted about what they wanted to do during this time. A firm favourite was colouring and eating biscuits whilst sharing books with friends. One of the reasons I love this club is the fact that the children are just so excited to come along and share books with their friends. My year 6 Librarians have also played a huge part in the running of the club. Thank you Josie, Molly & Lacey.





Apple & Palm enjoying biscuits and books during reading rocks.





The Library system is working well with only a couple of tiny errors! The children are excited to come into the library to scan in their books and scan out new ones. I've heard many happy voices as they leave and comments about 'How cool' it is to scan and be independent in the Library. Also, I can't wait to finish my books tonight so I can scan a new one' This make me very happy!

Well done to our Golden coin winners this term. We've seen children's fluency improve because of their determination and dedication to reading. This is incredible to hear and makes all the staff extremely proud. Palm are the winners this term for the most golden tickets. They win a coin for the vending machine and can choose a book for their class.

WINNERS! \checkmark We are so proud of how the children are using the new system in the library and with this in mind I decided to check who had 'borrowed' the most books this term. I'm excited to let you know that the girl with the most borrows from across



the school was Julia! Well done Julia. Please come and see me for a Golden coin. There were joint winners for the boys; well done to Oliver and Alfie. You both win a golden coin. Come and see me after half term so you can visit the vending machine.

Weekend book bags have been as popular as ever. Please remember to email a photo into the office of your child enjoying the book and hot chocolate if your child is in Palm, Oak or Willow. Thank you Apple class for sending via Tapestry. These can they be included in our newsletter.



The World Book Day plans have been sent out to you all. The lead up to the day and then the two days that we are celebrating the love of reading will be fun packed and exciting, I cannot wait to be part of this.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break. Please keep reading and don't forget to keep an eye on Facebook... $\Im \odot \Im$

Mrs S 🔲 🏠

Apple Class: Wow, this term has seen some very cold and chilly weather. This has meant lots of fun in our outdoor area. We came to school one morning and found the tuff tray full of dinosaurs stuck in the ice!! The children loved using hammers and tools to break the ice and free the dinosaurs. This was a great way to develop our eye hand co -ordination as well as improve our fine/gross motor skills. The children have also enjoyed playing in the outdoor airport. They have used props and resources to make their own aeroplanes and have enjoyed serving each other snacks and drinks on the flights. Our enquiry question this term was "Who was the first person to fly?" and we have researched into famous individuals such as Amelia Earhart, Neil Armstrong, Tim Peake and The Wright brothers.





In Maths this term, the Reception children have been learning to subitise numbers up to five. They have also learnt about 1 more and 1 less. The year one children have looked at place value and addition and subtraction, up to 20.

In DT, the year one children have been learning about kites. They researched into carp kites and know why and when carp kites are used. The children designed and made their own carp kites. They also designed, made and evaluated their own diamond kites. The children used knowledge from their Science learning to decide on which material would be best to make a kite. The children loved going outside and testing the kites to see how good they flew in the wind.





We have enjoyed developing algorithm skills during our Computing lessons. The children used

Beebots (programmable toys) to learn about directions such as backwards, forwards, left and right. Beebots were moved from one location to another and the children can confidently rectify their errors during instructional sequences.

Apple class spent this term's RE lessons exploring special books. At the beginning of the term, the children brought in their favourite books from home to share with their friends. They spoke about why it was their favourite book and why it was special to them. The learning then moved onto exploring books from other cultures and religions. We researched and learnt about the Bible, the Torah and the Qur'an. The children loved being able to touch these books and can talk about how to look after them and why they are special to others.

Have a lovely half term and see you soon, Miss Cannon, Mrs S, Mrs Elwes and Mrs Morris

Cool Milk: Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit https://www.coolmilk.com/register.

School Website: Our school website can be found at <u>www.stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk</u> where you will find lots of information about the school, upcoming events, newsletters, learning links, school lunch menus.

Palm Class: Palm Class have had a fantastic start to the New Year!

Within English, Palm Class have been reading the book 'Major Glad and Major Dizzy', about two toy soldiers who dream to become heroes and eventually get their opportunity. With this book pupils have also explored the Second World War, focusing mainly on the Blitz. Through demonstrations of an air raid shelter and the sirens, pupils have been able to experience how children would have lived in 1940. Using this experience, pupils have written a diary entry from the perspective of Major Glad during his time in the Blitz, focusing of past tense, first person and making sure their writing is in chronological order.

Maths this term has had year 2 exploring 2D and 3D shapes, looking at sides and vertices and comparing the shapes to each other. With the use of the shapes in front of them and drawing these shapes, year 2 have worked exceptionally hard on their shape knowledge. Year 3 this term has been focusing of their multiplication and division, with the focus on their 4- and 8- times tables. Pupils have practiced rehearsing the times tables and applying their knowledge to their work. During the end of the term, we have explored multiplication methods and how to apply these to more difficult multiplication problems. We have looked at the grid method by splitting a two-digit number into tens and ones, recalling their place value knowledge. Well Done Year 3!

Within our topic this term we have been learning about a local explorer, Matthew Flinders. Matthew Flinders, born in Donington, circumnavigated and mapped Australia after reading about Captain Cook's adventures. Palm Class have also become explorers and navigated and mapped St Bartholomew's.

In Art and D.T. Palm Class have learnt a new skill. They have learnt how to sew! They have made pouches similar to what Matthew Flinders may have used, sewing a compass onto their pouch as extra detail.

Palm Class were attendance winners for two weeks this term, and were rewarded with two amazing break times at the park with Gerald. Well done Palm Class keep up this attendance so we can continue enjoying our break times at the park.

At the end of term we visited the church for pancakes to celebrate Shrove Tuesday early. Palm Class enjoyed their pancakes and are now ready for a week of rest before coming back refreshed.

Miss Swain and Mrs Amatt



Oak Class: We have had yet another wonderful term in Oak Class, that has been bursting with the children's successes.

From Norse Myths and Vikings in English to Fractions and developing their times-table knowledge Maths, the children have worked tirelessly on their learning to truly 'let their light shine'.

The children have also demonstrated the significance of their role in our society today, as disciples of change and their impact on the world around them through their studies in Geography and Science. The children have written letters to Mr Hayes, our local MP, regarding the flooding earlier on in January and the impact it had on our community. They have made Flood Prevention Posters to support local residents of West Pinchbeck and they have also explored our school environment and how we can help the animals and protect their habitats around us.

The culmination of our learning this term has been working together to design and make bird

houses that are going to put up around our school grounds. The children wanted to provide a safe place for birds to build their nests, protected from the elements and predators, create visiting birds a place to snuggle together for warmth away from the cold air, and to promote nesting, increase the bird population, and support our relationship with the natural world. We must say a huge thank you to Mr Cox for joining us to support us with our wood-work skills. He helped the children design, measure, saw, drill, sand and assemble our bird boxes with boundless patience and understanding. The children are particularly excited to watch birds use the bird houses over the coming months. On behalf of the Oak Class Team, I would like to wish you and your families a happy and safe half-term break.





Miss Cox, Mrs Thorley and Miss Stead







Class X Pages: Please look at the school's 'X' and class pages on the school website (www.stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk) which showcases the children's learning in and out of school, alternatively follow your class page via 'X'. Please feel free to leave a comment!



WillowClass@StBarts

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MrsSzyd@stbarts AppleClass@StBarts **Willow Class:** This term, Willow class had a great time working practically in Maths to further develop their understanding of Measures. This included working with water to learn the capacity of a range of containers, as well as applying problem solving skills in an everyday context. It was clear that lots of learning took place with the questions the children asked. Well done Willow!



In Science, the children have built on their previous learning from Year 4. They have learnt how to draw a circuit diagram correctly and have applied this skill during an investigation. Year 6 have observed and measured using an Ipad. They have measured the decibels of a



buzzer in a variety of circuits and have gathered results. Following this, Year 6 have analysed these results and are learning the skill of writing a conclusion to their investigations. Year 6 worked diligently and their diagrams were superb!

Willow class also earned their Pom-Pom reward this term where they were able to watch a film in their pyjamas! Also, Willow class attendance has been fantastic and we have won Gerald three times so far this term. This has meant a fabulous time in the park during break time. Gerald had a whale of a time too!

Willow class also had a visitor who led a Gambling Awareness workshop. The children really engaged with our visitor, so much so that he didn't want to leave! Brilliant work Year 6.

In tribute to Benjamin Zephaniah, the author and poet, who sadly died during the Christmas holidays, Willow class created a display in the corridor. We had just read Windrush Child and

really enjoyed it. The children wrote amazing book reviews which we felt needed to be celebrated!

Mrs Davison, Mrs Peach and Miss Illingworth



Up and Coming Events

9.2.24 Term 3 ends 19.2.24 Term 4 begins 16.2.24 Year 5 Girls 11+ registration closes (SHS) 1.3.24 Year 5 Boys 11+ registration closes (SGS) 1.3.24 Secondary School place offer day 7.3.24 World Book Day 15.3.24 Red Nose Day (wear red—donation £1) 19.3.24 Willow Class - Easter Cracked 20.3.24 PTFA Easter Disco 25&26.3.24 Parents' Evening 28.3.24 Easter Church Service (collect from VH) 16.4.24 Reception 2024 place offer day 26.4.24 Year 1 Learn2Ride **3.5.24 PTFA Family Bingo** w/c 13.5.24 KS2 SATs week 15&16.5.5.24 Year 5 L1&L2 Bikeability

Pencil Cases: Christmas

holiday is a good time to ask your child if they need any of their stationery for their pencil cases replenishing. Please be aware that children use their glue sticks in most lessons and therefore they run out frequently.



Outdoor PE Timetable for Term 4:

Monday: Apple

Tuesday: Palm

26-28.6.24 Year 6 Residential - Ravenstor

Thursday: Oak

Friday: Willow

Indoor PE Timetable for Term 4:

Monday: Oak

Tuesday: Willow

Wednesday: Apple

Thursday: Palm

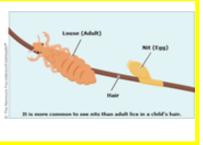
Helping the Environment:

<u>Clothing Recycling</u>: Our clothes recycling container is situated in the bike shed. If you wish to use it and the gates are locked, please let the school office know and a member of staff will open the gates for you. This facility is available term time only between 8.30am and 3.30pm. Your donations need to be deposited in a bag, however, please can we ask that you do not leave bags by the locked gates. This is a community facility and therefore is available for the wider community to use.

<u>Battery Collection</u>: Remember to bring in your used batteries (AAA, AA, C, D) for recycling. You can return your battery box or use the big battery collection box in the bike shed.

Ink Cartridges: Remember to bring in your used ink cartridges and place them in the box in the bike shed. Please note toner and laser cartridges are not accepted as part of the programme.

Headice: Please take this opportunity to check your child's hair for headlice and treat as necessary. A whole school 'attack' on this common nuisance can be very effective when carried out over a period of time when the school is closed. We rely on parents vigilance and their commitment to checking for and treating headlice in order for outbreaks in school to be reduced. Going forward, please help us to reduce outbreaks of this common nuisance in school.



St Bartholomew's Church News:

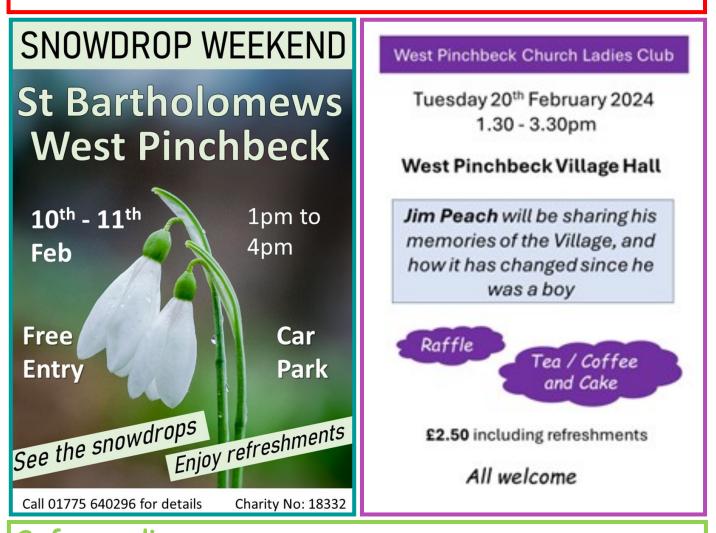
Snowdrop Weekend: 10-11th February 2024 (1-4pm): A beautiful Churchyard with Snowdrops and Spring Flowers. All funds raised go towards maintain St Bartholomew's Church.

Church Ladies: 20th February (1.30-3.30pm): Jim Peach will be sharing his memories of the Village.

Flower Festival Praise: 3rd May (7pm).

St Bartholomew's Flower Festival: 1-6th May.

Thirsty on a Thursday: The Church is open every Thursday between 9.30—11am for you to drop in any time for tea/coffee and a chat.



Safeguarding: Safeguarding is our top priority here at St Bart's and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you about the safeguarding information that is available on our website. The safeguarding tab includes a range of information about safeguarding in school, safeguarding at home and a list of useful contacts if you require advice and support. Please also see the safeguarding and child protection policy for further information about how we safeguard children and staff in school.

Term Dates 2023-24

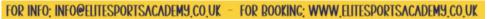
Term 4: Mon 19th Feb—Thurs 28th Mar 2024 Term 5: Tues 16th April—Fri 24th May 2024 Term 6: Mon 3rd Jun—Fri 19th July 2024

Children return to school on Monday 19th February 2024

Best wishes Miss Sophie Ingle, Head Teacher

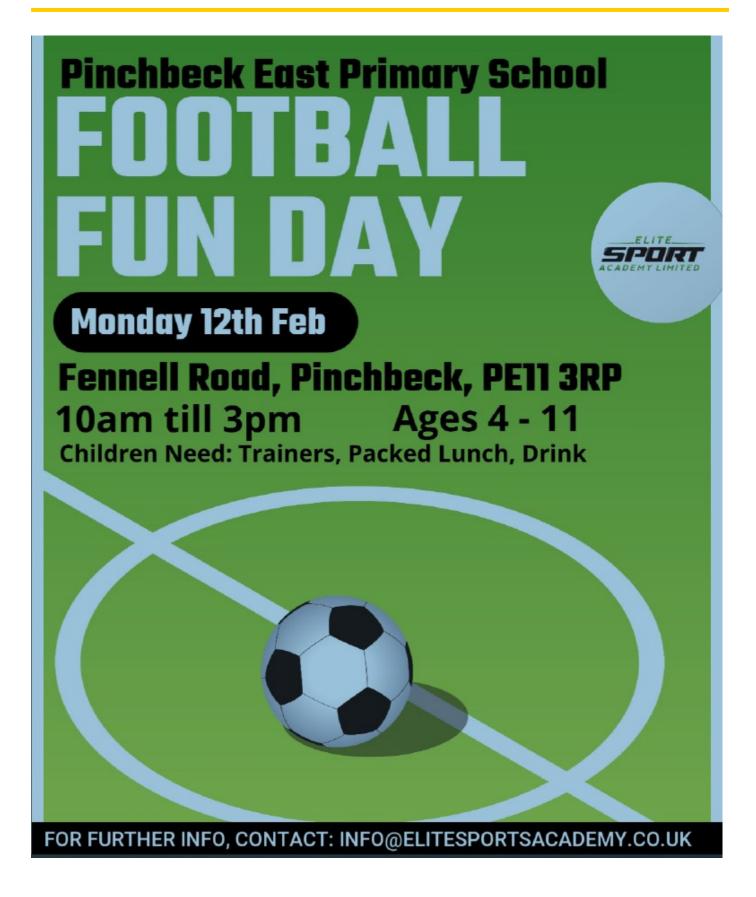
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14TH February	SEN STAY & PLAY	PETER PAINE Sports centre	
14TH – 15TH February	SPORTS CAMP	SOUTH VIEW Primary	
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Parent Mail App: The App is available for Android 4.4 devices and above and Apple iOS 8 and above devices. To download the App, simply visit the App store on your phone, and search "ParentMail". Please note, you must be registered to use the ParentMail App – you can register on a browser from the email or text registration invitation you have been sent. In order to download the PMX App you will need iOS 7.0 or higher.





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School Meals: Menus for term 4 are available to order via the Willoughby Foods Ltd website www.willoughby-foods.co.uk. Reception and

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KS1 parents/carers/guardians must order meals directly from Willoughby Foods Ltd to take up the Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) offer. Children entitled to Free School Meals (FSM) will be ordered an option 1 main meal and an option 1 pudding unless parents log on and amend. The order deadline for ordering for term 4 week 1 is midnight on Tuesday 13th February 2023. If you haven't ordered meals by this date, please remember to send your child with a packed lunch as the meals delivered to school are the number that are ordered, therefore there are no spare meals available. Menus are also available to view on the school website.

Free School Meals: To apply for Free School meals please see the 'about' page on our school website where you will find a link as well as a step by step guide to the application process.



