



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



“Let your light shine”

News in school 21.11.25

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

Children In Need

On Friday 14th November we held a non uniform day to raise money for Children in Need. With the sale of the merchandise, we raised a grand total of £178.30.

🌐 Discover Your Child's Digital World

Join the **Stay Safe Partnership** for an online safety event designed for parents. Learn the latest on:

- ☒ Age-appropriate apps and games
- ☒ Online trends and social media
- ☒ Parental controls and practical tools

Feel confident keeping your child safe while they explore online.

 3rd December 6pm-7:30pm

 Sign up now: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/1929114>

All School Children are Entitled to a Free Flu Vaccine

Nationally there is an unusually early start to the flu season this year, with the latest data showing a sharp increase among children and young people, with the virus starting to spread more widely in the community. The School Aged Immunisation Service (SAIS) have vaccinated over 38,000 children and have been into school this week for their second visit this autumn to administer the flu vaccinations (nasal spray). 60% of our children have been vaccinated, however if you wish for your child to receive the vaccination, please contact the SAIS team on 01522 572950 and they will be able to let you know the dates and times when they will be holding flu vaccination clinics at the Johnson Hospital in Spalding.

PTFA Christmas Fayre – Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 28th November 2025, we will be holding a non-uniform day in return for donations for raffle/tombola prizes for the Christmas Fayre.

Hot Lunches

Please can we ask, that when meal options are chosen, that children are asked what their preference is, as we have a few children that are not eating their meals because they don't like what has been ordered for them. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals (not Universal infant Free School Meals available for Reception, Year 1 and 2), there is

always an option1 main and an option 1 pudding available for them, however you are able to log on to the Willoughby Foods portal and amend this.

Lost Item

Does this belong to anyone? We believe it is from a child's car seat. Also, this little bag was used to transport a Lantern of Light entry. Please contact the school office if they belong to you.



Take care
Miss Ingle

Bible verse of the week

Ephesians 4:32 (NIV):

Encourages kindness, compassion, and mutual forgiveness, mirroring God's forgiveness in Christ.

School worship

Merciful and Loving God,
I come before You with an open heart,
asking for the courage to face my mistakes
and the grace to release what weighs me down.

Forgive me for the words I should not have spoken
and the actions I failed to take.
Heal the places where I have caused hurt,
whether knowingly or without understanding.

Soften my heart toward those who have wounded me.
Help me to let go of bitterness,
to release the grip of resentment,
and to choose compassion even when it is difficult.

Teach me to forgive as You forgive—
fully, freely, and without condition.
Grant me peace where there has been turmoil,
hope where there has been regret,
and renewal where there has been brokenness.

May Your light guide me forward,
restoring my spirit
and filling me with love that transforms and heals.

Amen.

Attendance winner of the week

Darwin Class are the attendance winners of the week and have won a trip to the park with Gerald during playtime one day next week.

Your child will be bringing home their Termly Attendance Summary letter today. This letter informs you of their termly attendance percentage, as well as the number of lates and unauthorised lates received during term 1 and Year to Date. As high attendance remains a priority for the school, we will continue to closely monitor absence levels during the school year, and we will contact those where concerns arise.

All schools are expected to keep their attendance over 96%. At the end of our first week, our Year to Date attendance sits at 95.04%. If you need any help with attendance, please come and speak to us as we will help in any way that we can. Dr Chris Whitty released this statement via the DfE: *"It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should not be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above."*

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Church News

Christmas Coffee Morning: St Bartholomew's will holding it's Christmas coffee morning in the Church on Saturday 22nd November 2026 from 10am – 1pm. Refreshments including bacon rolls, tombola and various stalls. Please come along and support your local Church and do some Christmas shopping!

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.



Dates for Your Diary

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

[Events from November 14 – December 18 – St Bartholomew's](#)

Any Other Information/Reminders

Parents Evening

Parents Evenings will take place for Franklin, Darwin and Nightingale classes on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December 2025 from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Parents Evening for Dahl class will take place on Tuesday 16th December 2025 from 3.30pm to 6.30pm only. Appointments can be made via ParentMail by clicking on the Parents Evening tab. If you require any help, please contact the school office.

Mrs Szydłowski will be running the Book Fair during our Parent Evenings on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December (3.30-6.30pm).

The book fair is coming to school on December 15th and 16th. It will be available during parents evening. We are going to run a competition to win a £5 voucher to spend at the fair. If you would like to be in a chance of winning please design a Christmas book cover for a book. This could be a favourite book or a made up book. You can design it anyway you like, try to be creative. All entries need to be to Mrs Szydłowski on Friday 12th December. There are 5 prizes to be won and everyone that enters will receive 10 house points so you need to be in it to win it! We are excited to see your entries, Maggie, Julia and Emilia, School librarians.



Homework Home/School Agreement

Thank you to those parents and children who have completed the Homework Home/School Agreement via Forms on ParentMail. If you haven't done so, please do complete it at your earliest convenience.

Whole School Trip to the Panto

The whole school will be attending the performance of Rapunzel on Thursday 18th December 2025. If you haven't done so already, please make payment of £8.50 via Shop on ParentMail. We are very fortunate that the PTFA are paying for the transport and interval treat.

PE/Swimming Timetable Term 2 2025/26:

	PE - Indoor	PE - Outdoor
Dahl	Thursday	Tuesday
Nightingale	Wednesday	Tuesday
Darwin	Friday	Monday
Franklin	Tuesday	Thursday

Uniform

Our school uniform is being supplied directly by Sign Design Services Limited, Bourne Rd, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 3LL. They can be contacted on 01775 761274, via email (sales@mysigndesign.co.uk) or visit their warehouse to place your order. **Please be advised that we do have a limited number of clothing items remaining in stock. Therefore, we recommend that you contact the school office first before reaching out to Sign Design Services Limited.**

Our school colours are jade green and navy blue. Hair accessories should be green or blue, and please can I ask that children refrain from having coloured braids during term time. Socks should be white, black, navy or grey. Please contact the PTFA if you are interested in any preloved uniform. KS2 children are required to provide a pencil case with the following equipment: pencil, purple biro, yellow highlighter, ruler, fine writer handwriting pen, rubber, glue stick, colouring pencils. Please remember to ask your child regularly if they require anything replenishing, especially glue sticks, which are frequently used items.

Health Care Plans

In order that we can provide the necessary care required to those children who have on-going health care needs, we require parents to complete a 'Health Care Plan' form via ParentMail. This document is used to detail the on-going health issues and, if applicable, the medication that each child requires. If you haven't done so already and your child has health care needs, please complete the form via ParentMail. Thank you to those parents who have already completed their child's Health Care Plan.

School Mobile Phone

The afterschool club can be reached on 07534725872 from 3.15pm-5pm. Outside of these hours, please contact the school office.

Afterschool Club

Please be aware that if parents/carers/guardians are more than 5 minutes late collecting their child at the end of the school day, your child will be taken to afterschool club, and a charge will be made. If parents/carers/guardians are more than 5 minutes late collecting from free after school clubs that finish at 4pm, your child will be taken to afterschool club and a charge will be made.

Severe Weather/Snow Closure

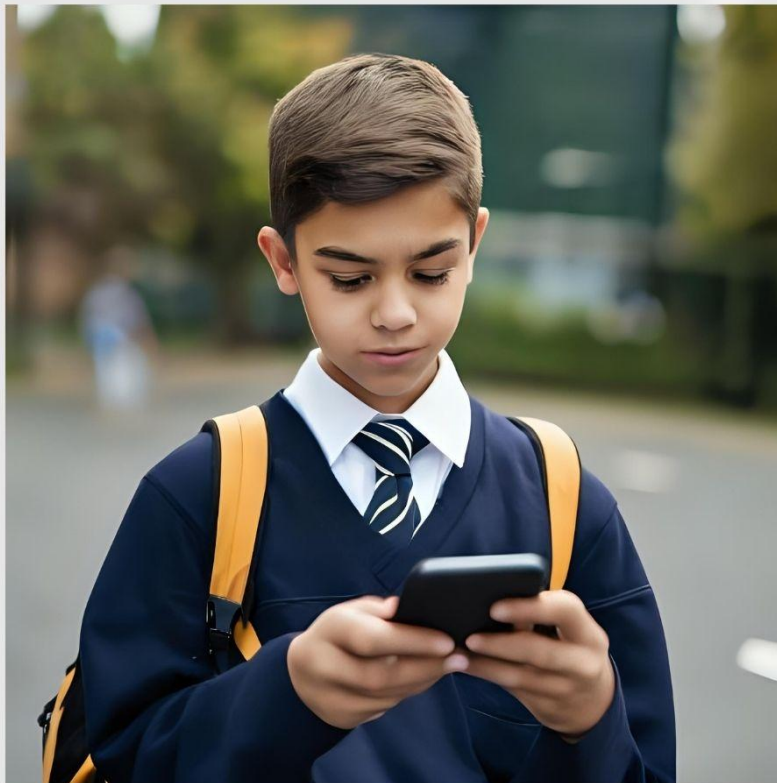
In the event of severe weather, we will always strive to ensure that the school remains open, but in the event that extreme weather conditions necessitate the closure of the school we will advise you of this in a number of ways. We will notify parents via email via Parentmail, update the school website 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 page.

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.

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