



## St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



“Let your light shine”

### News in school 23.1.26

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

It has been another busy and positive week across school. The children have been working incredibly hard in their learning, showing resilience, curiosity and pride in what they do. It has been lovely to see classrooms full of focus and enthusiasm.

We are also pleased to share that the electrics have now gone into the school bus. This marks an exciting step forward, and we are very grateful for everyone's patience and support as this project continues to develop. As always, we thank you for the way you support your children and our school community — it truly makes a difference.

We would like to remind all parents and carers to please observe the speed limit around the school grounds and surrounding roads. Keeping speeds low helps ensure that everyone — especially our children — remains safe at the start and end of the school day. Thank you for helping us look after one another.

#### ☀️ A huge THANK YOU from St Bartholomew's! ☀️

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to **JD Carter** for coming out and working so hard to install the electrics for our Community Library Bus. Their professionalism, time and care have helped move our project forward in a really significant way.

We are also incredibly grateful to **BEW Electrical Distributors Ltd** for generously supplying all of the electrical materials needed to get the bus connected to the mains. Thanks to this amazing support, we are now one big step closer to beginning the next phase — designing the inside of our library space.

Community projects like this simply couldn't happen without the kindness and support of local businesses. Thank you for helping us turn our Library of Hopes into a reality — our children (and wider community) will benefit for years to come 🧡💻

#### Primary School Admissions

Although the closing date has passed, late applications for Primary School admissions for September 2026 can still be made via <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school/2> or by calling 01522 782030.

#### Class Photos

Tempest Photography will be in school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026 to take our annual class photos. Please let the office know if you do not wish your child to be included in these photos.

## **Pancakes**

Pancake Day is Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026, which is during our half term holiday. The Village Hall Committee has kindly agreed to cook and serve pancakes to our children and staff throughout Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. All children (including those taking part in other external events) will walk to the Village Hall to take part in this event, even if they do not want to eat a pancake. Please complete the consent form via ParentMail and send 75p (no change given), if you would like your child to have a pancake, to the school office. The money can be sent in before the day.

## **11+ Registration**

Parents of children in Year 5 will have received an email via ParentMail regarding the 11+ registration process.

Take care  
Miss Ingle

## **Bible verse of the week**

**"A friend loves at all times."  
Proverbs 17:17**

## **School worship**

Dear God,  
Thank you for the gift of friendship and the joy it brings to our lives.  
Help us to be kind, patient and understanding with one another.  
Teach us to include others, to forgive when things are difficult,  
and to be friends who reflect Your love in all that we do.  
Amen.

## **Attendance winner of the week**

Nightingale 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 2 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. Late marks are given to children who arrive after 8.45am and before 9am, and unauthorised late marks if they arrive after 9am.

All schools are expected to keep their attendance over 96%. At the end of our first week, our Year to Date attendance sits at 95.14%. 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**

**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 February 3 – April 2 – St Bartholomew's](#)

## Any Other Information/Reminders

### Darwin Trip to Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Darwin will be visiting the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026, leaving school at 8am and returning 3.30pm. If your child travels to and from school by taxi, please make alternative arrangements to transport your child on this day, as the taxi will not be available to use that day due to the early departure and late return of the coach. If you haven't done so already, please complete the permission form and make payment via the SHOP tab via ParentMail.

### 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.

### PE/Swimming Timetable Term 3 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](mailto: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: 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](mailto:enquiries@stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk).