



## St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



“Let your light shine”

### News in school 16.1.26

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

It has been another joyful and purposeful week at St Bartholomew's, filled with learning, growth and community spirit.

We were delighted to launch our **Young Chef** and **Gymnastics clubs** this week. The children have embraced these opportunities with enthusiasm, resilience and a real sense of pride as they challenge themselves and try new skills.

We also warmly welcomed two new members to our school community — **Olive and Hazel**, our guinea pigs, who have settled beautifully into the **ELSA room**. They are already providing comfort, calm and gentle support for our children's emotional wellbeing, and have been met with great kindness and care.

Across the curriculum and out on the playground, our children have truly **shone their lights**, living out our core values of **friendship, acceptance and tolerance**. It has been heartening to see pupils supporting one another, celebrating difference and showing compassion in their words and actions.

Behind the scenes, our staff continue to work tirelessly to drive progress and provide the very best for our children, and we are grateful for their commitment and dedication.

Looking ahead, we are excited that **next week marks an important milestone for our community library bus project**, as the electrics are installed and the vision moves another step closer to reality. This project is a wonderful example of what can be achieved when a community comes together with hope and purpose.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership.

Take care  
Miss Ingle

Donations raised from our Christmas Jumper Day support Haven Domestic Abuse Service. Please click the link [Domestic Abuse - St Bartholomew's](#) to read their January 2026 newsletter.

## Bible verse of the week

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

**Matthew 5:16**

## School worship

Loving God,

Thank you for the many gifts of this week — for opportunities to learn, to grow, and to care for one another.

Help us to be good friends, to welcome everyone with kindness, and to show patience and understanding in all that we do.

Bless our school community, our families, and all those who work to support and nurture our children.

May we continue to shine our light, guided by love and hope.

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.

All schools are expected to keep their attendance over 96%. At the end of our first week, our Year to Date attendance sits at 95.6%. 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 6 – June 4 – 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).