



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School



“Let your light shine”

End of Term 4 Newsletter

Our target attendance is 100%. As at Thursday 2nd April 2026 our attendance Year to Date is 94.89%

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Children,

What a wonderfully busy and joyful term it has been at St Bartholomew's!

The school has been full of energy, laughter and learning, with children across all year groups working incredibly hard and showing great pride in their achievements. We were particularly proud of how well the children approached assessment week, demonstrating resilience, determination and a positive attitude throughout.

This term has also been filled with memorable experiences and special moments. From exciting trips that have brought learning to life, to the creativity and fun of our Easter Headwear Competition, it has been a delight to see our children's enthusiasm and imagination shine.

Our Easter celebrations have been a real highlight. The children took part in a beautiful Easter service, reminding us all of the true meaning of Easter and the values of hope, love and new beginnings. Alongside this, there has been plenty of fun with our egg rolling and egg parachute competitions, as well as the much-anticipated Easter disco – all of which have brought smiles and laughter across the school.

Throughout it all, we continue to see friendship, kindness and our core values lived out each and every day, in both big moments and small acts of care.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for their continued dedication and commitment, and our parents and carers for your ongoing support. We are also incredibly grateful to our PTFA for the time, effort and enthusiasm they bring to supporting our school community.

We wish all of our families a happy and peaceful Easter break and look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting term ahead.

With warmest wishes, Sophie Ingle, Headteacher, St Bartholomew's Primary School

Loving God,

Thank you for this joyful term,
for all the learning, laughter and friendships we have shared.

Thank you for the gift of Easter,
for new life, new hope and new beginnings.

Help us to carry kindness in our hearts,
to care for one another,
and to show love in all that we do.

Bless our families during this Easter time,
keep us safe, happy and together,
and bring us back ready for a new term of learning and growth.

Amen



Governors: Please click the link [Governors - St Bartholomew's](#) to find out what our Governors have been up to during Term 4.

Attendance Winner of the Week

Nightingale Class are the attendance winners of the week and have won a trip to the park w/c 20th April 2026.



Class News: Please click the link below to find out what each class has been learning during Term 4.

[Dahl \(Reception\) - St Bartholomew's](#)
[Nightingale \(Year 1 & Year 2\) - St Bartholomew's](#)
[Darwin \(Year 3 & Year 4\) - St Bartholomew's](#)
[Franklin \(Year 5 & Year 6\) - St Bartholomew's](#)

Reading Rocks Club: Please click on the following link : [Reading Rocks - St Bartholomew's](#) to see our photos. Reading Rocks Club will take place at lunchtime during term 4.

Transport to Secondary/Primary school September

2026: If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2026, they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible, please apply for transport **once you have your offer of a school place** (16 April is primary offer day). For more information about the home to school transport policy and how to apply online please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport. Queries can be emailed to:

schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Wellbeing: Please click the link [Wellbeing Information - St Bartholomew's](#) to find out how we support our children's wellbeing.

Up and Coming Events: All calendar dates/events can be found on our school website by clicking on the link: [Events from April 2 - May 15 - St Bartholomew's](#). If you wish to add an event to your own calendar, you can do so by clicking on the event and pressing 'add to calendar' button.

Term 5 Breakfast Club/After School Club: Bookings for our Breakfast and After School club can be made via ParentMail up until the Tuesday of the week before. After School childcare is also available in school every day from 3.15pm until 5pm. You are able to book sessions from 3.15-4pm, 4-5pm or 3.15-5pm. We have a school mobile for afterschool care. The number is: [07936725986](tel:07936725986). It will be turned off during the school day and is only available for parents who have children attending afterschool care during afterschool care hours. For all other queries, please contact the school office.

Outdoor PE Timetable for Term 5:

Dahl: Thursday

Nightingale: Friday

Darwin: Monday

Franklin: Tuesday

Swimming Timetable for Term 5:

Dahl: Wednesday

Nightingale: Friday

Darwin: Tuesday

Franklin: Thursday



Nightingale will be swimming and doing PE on Fridays. To make it easier and maximise learning time, we ask that Nightingale class come to school in their PE kit on Fridays and bring their swimwear to change into for swimming.

Swimming begins this term and before their first lesson the children will be reminded of the main safety rules. Parents must be aware that girls should wear one-piece bathing suites and boys should wear close fitting swimming shorts, bikinis and Bermuda/beach shorts are not acceptable. If swimming attire is not suitable, the swimming teacher will not permit the child to swim. All jewellery must be removed, including earrings. Long hair must be tied up and all children are to wear swimming hats, which can be purchased for £1.75 via the shop on ParentMail.

Sports: This term has been another exciting period for sport across the school, with our children embracing a range of opportunities and representing us with pride. A highlight was the Panathlon bowling event, where the team showed great determination and teamwork to secure an excellent third place finish.

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils took part in a Tri Golf event. For many, this was a new experience, and they approached it with enthusiasm and growing confidence as they developed new skills.

This term also saw the end of the Year 5 and 6 girls football season. A huge well done to all involved. Despite some challenging matches, the team showed fantastic resilience, sportsmanship, and represented the school brilliantly.

We have also begun our netball season, with a few matches already played. The team has made a strong start, showing good communication on court and a real eagerness to improve in training.

In the after-school gymnastics club, our children have created some wonderful routines and have thoroughly enjoyed working with the apparatus, showing creativity and increasing confidence.

Overall, it has been another busy and successful term for school sport, with our children continuing to show great enthusiasm and commitment.

Miss Amatt.

St Bartholomew's 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.

Maundy Thursday: On Thursday 2nd April 2026, the Church is open for tea/coffee from 9.30am until the 11am service.

Good Friday: On Friday 3rd April 2026, the Church is open for tea/coffee and Hot Cross Buns from 10am until the 10.30am Stations of the Cross service, which is an interactive service suitable for all ages following the journey of Jesus to the Cross.

Easter Sunday: On Sunday 5th April 2026, there will be an All Age Service at 10.30am.

St Bartholomew's Church Flower Festival:

This year's Flower Festival will be held from Thursday 30th April to Monday 4th May from 10am - 4pm. It is a popular community event which brings in a lot of visitors, but we are really in need of help to keep it going. If you, or anyone you know, enjoys flower arranging, or would like to give it a go, get in touch. There is always someone on hand to give a bit of advice. Wendy 07946052418.

HOLY WEEK at ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WEST PINCHBECK

Celebrate Easter with us!

29th March – Palm Sunday

10:30am Service at St Mary's Pinchbeck

2nd April - Maundy Thursday

11am Service

2:30pm Primary School Easter Service

3rd April - Good Friday

10am Tea/Coffee & Hot Cross Buns

10:30am Stations of The Cross

6th April - Easter Sunday

10:30am All Age Service

Term Dates 2025-26

Term 5: 21st April— 22nd May 2026

Term 6: 1st June—22nd July 2026

Pencil Cases: School holidays are 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.

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. Miss Ingle (Safeguarding Lead), Miss Cannon (Deputy Safeguarding Lead), Mrs Andleeb (Governor)

Fundraising: On Saturday 20th June 2026, Charlie, in Year 4, is taking part in a Race for Life 5k pretty muddy event to raise money for cancer research. One in two people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime and every pound that is donated makes a difference to Cancer Research UK's groundbreaking work. If you would like to donate to Charlie's Cancer Research's Giving Page, please click the following link: [Charlie Parnham's Race for Life](#). Charlie is very grateful for your support and it will encourage him to do his best on the big day. Good luck Charlie, we look forward to hearing all about your day.



Community Toddler Group: We are excited to announce that we are starting a community Toddler Group for parents with babies and toddlers (birth to Reception age). This group will take place on Monday afternoons from 2-3pm in the school hall and will involve play time, story time and singing time. Refreshments will be provided for parents and toddlers. The group will initially run on Monday 27th April, Monday 11th May and Monday 18th May and if it proves popular, will continue into term 6. If you know of anyone outside of our school community that would like to attend this group, please ask them to contact the school via email (enquiries@stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk).

PTFA News

Please follow us on Facebook and keep yourself up to date with all the events and monies raised. Click here [PTFA - St Bartholomew's](#) to view our PTFA newsletter and event posters on our school website.

Music Lessons

Our peripatetic music teacher offers guitar and piano lessons during the school day. If you are interested in finding out more information please contact Sarah by emailing either: sjingle1608@gmail.com or the school office at enquiries@stbartholomews.lincs.sch.uk



Elite
SPORTS ACADEMY PRESENTS
Easter
SPORTS CAMP

Venue - Wygate Park Academy
Week one 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th
Week two 15th, 16th, 17th
Sessions 9am - 3pm
Bring a packed lunch and drink
Extra time £5 (3pm-4pm)
For Booking visit -
www.elitesportsacademy.co.uk/eliteholidaycamps/

The poster features a bright, sunny scene with a smiling sun, clouds, and a grassy field. In the center, three children are depicted playing sports: a boy with a soccer ball, a boy with a basketball, and a girl with a tennis racket. A white rabbit and several colorful Easter eggs are scattered around them. The text is presented in various colored banners and fonts, creating a festive and energetic feel.

Our ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM will help you make it even easier to Book! For more information and to book your space simply follow this link: [Elite Camps - Elite Sports Academy](#). If you require more information contact us on Joe@elitesportsacademy.co.uk. We hope to see you all there!!

School Meals: Menus for term 5 are available to order via the Willoughby Foods Ltd website www.willoughby-foods.co.uk. Reception and 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 5 week 1 is midnight on Tuesday 15th April 2025.** 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 available to view on the school website by clicking:

[School Meals - St Bartholomew's](#)



Free School Meals: Click here: [Parent Portal: Home](#) to apply for Free School meals.

Alternatively the link can be found on the 'about' page of our school website as well as a step by step guide to the application process.

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

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.



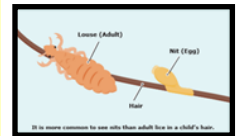
Helping the Environment:

Clothing Recycling: 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.

Battery Collection: 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.

Headlice: 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.



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

St Bartholomew's School Facebook Page: Our school Facebook page is very popular! We have 258 likes and 333 followers. Please give us a like and a follow to keep up to date with news and activities in school. The PTFA also has a Facebook page.



Red Nose Day: On Friday 20th March 2026 we held a non-uniform day and raised £84.07.



Haven Domestic Abuse Service: Please click the link [Domestic Abuse - St Bartholomew's](#) to see the Haven Domestic Abuse Service Spring 2026 newsletter. Alternatively this newsletter can be found under the Safeguarding tab (Domestic Abuse) on our website.



Attendance All schools are expected to keep their attendance over 96%. 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.**

"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child.

#AttendanceCounts"

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Attendance

Supporting you to understand the new rules



A National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absences, including unauthorised leave of absences in Term Time, is being introduced following changes to the law. These new government regulations will come into effect from **19th August 2024**.

What are these changes?

If a pupil has **10 unauthorised sessions**, which is equal to **5 school days**, within a **10 week period**, a penalty notice may be issued.

This will come under 3 categories: First, Second, and Third offence.



First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within **28 days**, reduced to **£80** per parent, per child if paid within **21 days**.

Second Offence

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within **28 days**. No reduced rate will be offered.



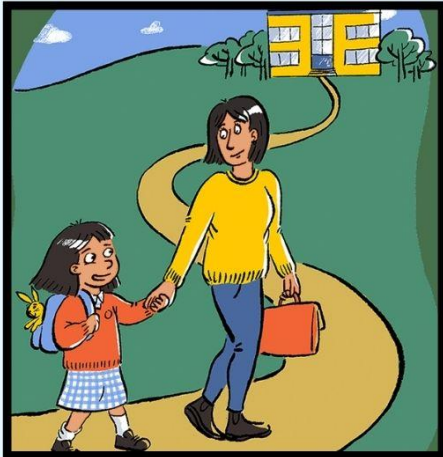
Third offence and any further offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time leave or unauthorised absences a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

For any further inquiries about school attendance please visit:
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-attendance

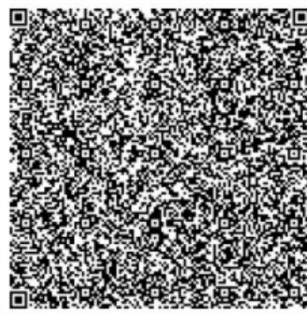
Ready Steady go to School



This is a short free online session aimed at Parents/Carers of children who will be starting school in September 2026. Come along and meet one of our Early Years Team to explore practical activities and top tips to help your little one on their journey to school

Please scan a QR code to join your preferred session

Thursday 23rd April
6-7pm



Wednesday 29th April
1.30-2.30pm



Thursday 11th June
6.30-7.30pm



Wednesday 24th June
1.30-2.30pm





Discover more events and activities



What's on this Easter holiday?

Day	Time	Activity
Saturday 4th April	10am-12noon	We're making cards for Easter!
Tuesday 7th April	10.30am-11am	Story Time for pre-schoolers - older children welcome too.
Wednesday 8th April	10am-4pm	Easter Hols Lego Play
Thursday 9th April	10am-2pm	Spring crafts - fluttering butterflies and brilliant bunting
Friday 10th April	10am-1pm	Guide Dogs will be here with a fundraising stall. Lego Play 10am-4pm
Saturday 11th April	10am-12noon	Funky bunny crowns
Monday 13th April	10am-4pm	Easter Hols Lego Play
Tuesday 14th April	10.30am-11am	Story Time for preschoolers - older children welcome too. Lego Play 11am-4pm
Wednesday 15th April	10am-4pm	Easter Hols Lego Play
Thursday 16th April	10am-2pm	Spring crafts - super spinners and windy kites
Friday 17th April	10am-4pm	Easter Hols Lego Play
Saturday 18th April	10am-12noon	Spring crafts - a chance to make the things you might have missed!



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