

St Barnabas CE VC Primary School

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We Let Our Light Shine

July 2018

SIAMS INSPECTION JUNE 2018

On Monday of this week we sent home to all families our SIAMS inspection report. We are very pleased the inspector told us we are a GOOD SCHOOL. She identified our strengths as:

- The welcoming, inclusive Christian ethos ensures that every child is nurtured and valued as an individual.
- The dedication of the new leadership team, supported by very committed staff and governors, is having a positive effect in securing the school's capacity for development as a church school.
- The respect for diversity and difference in all faith communities, celebrated within a Christian ethos, enables all children to develop an understanding of the wider world and global issues.
- The partnership with the church contributes to rich experiences that engage and challenge children.

SCHOOL UNIFORM and WATER BOTTLES

On the first day of term your child will be given a school water bottle. I want us to end the use of disposable bottles in our school as they are polluting and not sustainable .



We will also supply your child with 1 white polo shirt and a school jumper. From Thursday 6th September the school would like to see ALL children in school uniform every day.

On PE days your child can wear a tracksuit or shorts with their school polo shirt or a white t-shirt.

ST PAULS CARNIVAL 2018



Congratulations to our Y5 and Y6 drummers for their great drumming at carnival. They feature near the end of this BBC film coverage of Saturday's events.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-england-bristol-44756869/st-pauls-carnival-celebrates-caribbean-culture-in-bristol>

Thanks to St Barnabas staff and families for their support. In 2019 I would like us to have an even bigger presence at carnival and celebrate all of our communities at our school

As I told the children at Monday's assembly the England football team's success has been about a team coming together from not just different clubs but different backgrounds and cultures. The England squad has players with Ghanaian, Guyanese, Nigerian, Portuguese and Jamaican heritage. The players were born all over England, including Jack Buckland who was born in Bristol and went to school in Clevedon. One player Raheem Sterling was born in Jamaica and came to the UK as a child. As the carnival CELEBRATION told us success for all comes from UNITY and COMMUNITY.

Mr Jon Barr Headteacher

Key dates in September 2018



Wednesday 5th Sept: First day of school for children Y1-Y6

Monday 10th Sept: First day for YR children

Wednesday 26th September: European Languages Day 2018

Thursday 20th September Thangam Debboniare MP visits St Barnabas

Monday 1st October: Parent Volunteer day at St Barnabas: We want you to work in our school.

Tuesday 16th October Parents evening 3.30pm-5.00pm

Wednesday 17th October: Valerie Bloom workshop for Y5 at St Barnabas

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Valerie_Bloom

Wednesday 17th October—Parents Evening 3.30pm-7.00pm

Friday 19th October: Y5 & Y6 see Valerie Bloom at the Colston Hall

Thursday 25th October St BARNABAS
ONE COMMUNITY DAY

Friday 26th October term 1 ends

Monday 29th Oct-Friday 2nd Novem-

THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev Liz and St Agnes Parish Church for their warm welcome to Focus Sunday on Sunday 8th July. It was great to receive such a welcome and to know we are in your prayers.

BREAKFAST CLUB AT ST BARNABAS

From Wednesday 5th September our Breakfast Club is FREE to all users. It runs Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday and Friday from 8.00am in the school hall. Your child can have breakfast and play. From September we are also planning to do pre-teaching with our Assistant Learning Mentors Mr Turnbull and Miss Davidson

**Please BOOK your child a place at the club through the school office. CHOOSE THE DAYS YOU WANT TO USE
Why not email stbarnabasp@bristol-schools.uk**

If you are a family who want to donate for using the service then the school office can tell you how donations can made.

The school is now financing breakfast club with some free contributions from Fareshare in Bristol.

UNIVERSAL CREDIT

Many families may be experiencing delays in money being paid following the move to Universal Credit in June 2018 . If this has happened to you or someone you know, you might be able to get help from the local crisis team, which will give you vouchers for food. You can get more information from:

Bristol City Council crisis team: 01179224500 or email lcpf@bristol.gov.uk

Citizens Advice: 03444111444 or online www.bristolcab.org.uk

FREE FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, MILK AND FORMULA

If you are pregnant and/or have a child aged under 4 and receive certain benefits, you may be able to get Healthy Start vouchers. You can then exchange these for fresh or frozen fruit and veg, as well as milk and baby formula. You will also be offered multi vitamins. You can find out more information at www.healthystart.nhs.uk or ask your midwife or health visitor for more information