

St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

School News

Thank You

Pangolins would like to thank Gunns Florist (Sydney Street, North Laine) for donating an extremely generous amount of tulips to use in our investigation of the different parts of a flower. We had great fun dissecting them and working out which part had which functions.



Sport Relief

Thank you to everyone who wore sporty clothes and brought in their £1 for Sports Relief today. It's an incredibly valuable cause and every penny makes a difference.

"When you donate to Comic Relief or Sport Relief, you're supporting people living incredibly tough lives in the UK and around the world. Whether it's mental health, homelessness, domestic abuse or children struggling to survive - we make it our business to reach people who need it most."

Church School

Christian Values

Each classroom has a reflection space in it. In most classes, the children have created some art that helps them reflect on God's world around them. Some of the work in these spaces is beautiful.

Bible Verse

"Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times" Romans 12:12

Reminders and Notices

Reading Challenge

All children should have brought home a very exciting reading challenge set by Miss Keeling and Star! The challenge runs from now until Friday 22nd May. Children should read books that generally challenge them although some categories may allow some of the older children to read books they enjoyed when they were younger!

Children who struggle to read independently can complete all or some of the challenge with an adult.

Please return your completed challenge to your class teacher any time after Monday 4th May.

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Film Night

Our Film Night will be held on **Friday 27th March** for children **Year R - 6**. Children in Bumblebee Class **MUST** be accompanied by a parent but otherwise this is a children-only event. All children will be escorted from their class to the hall by the school staff. Parents can collect from the Breakfast Club entrance (green door opposite Sainsbury's) at **5.00pm**. For Bumblebee parents, please come to the Bumblebee classroom to collect your child at 3pm as usual. As per the clubs timetable, Samba Band Club and Textiles Club will not be running next week.

The film the children will be watching is **Abominable** which is rated U. By purchasing a ticket, you agree to your child watching this film.

This event will cost £5 and will include food and drink. Children will not need to bring any other money. Tickets will be available from the School Office from **Wednesday 18th March** and can be bought up until **Wednesday 25th March**.

If you are able to help with this event, please let the school office know and they will put you in touch with a member of the PTFA.

School Uniform

Children should be wearing black shoes to school. This can include plain black trainers but should not include light-up shoes, colourful trainers or any heeled shoes.

For PE, children can wear any suitable plain t-shirt in the colour given to them by their teacher, as well as black shorts and plimsolls or black trainers. If you wish to buy a PE t-shirt with or without the school's logo on, you can do so online via <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/StBartholomewsCOFPrimarySchoolBrightonBN14GP>

Book Club

Remember to bring all completed forms back to the school office by Wednesday 18th March. Don't forget to use your £1 voucher!

Coronavirus

We continue to follow the advice that we are provided by Public Health England and currently that includes a duty to inform you if we have any suspected or confirmed cases of coronavirus. We still **DO NOT** currently have any suspected or confirmed cases but will inform you if we do. We have sent updated advice to all parents today in regard to the new Government advice given yesterday.

We appreciate that you may be worried about the spread of the coronavirus but at present UK schools have not been advised to close and so we remain open. Please consider how you discuss coronavirus with your children – most children do not need to be worried or concerned.

Staff, parents and young people can contact the Department for Education's coronavirus helpline if you have any concerns:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

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Local Opportunities

Positive Parenting Workshops

Triple P talks and courses offer a range of advice, support and positive parenting strategies for parents. There are a number of talks, workshops and courses coming up over the next few months that you may find helpful. For further information, please visit <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/children-and-education/childcare-and-family-support/parenting-team>. You can also contact the Triple P team directly via triplep.parenting@brighton-hove.gov.uk or 01273 294471.

There are spaces available on the following free Triple P Parenting Workshops:

Hollingdean Children's Centre on Thursday 19 March at 10-12.15pm.

The subject of this workshop is **Dealing with Disobedience**.

Limited free crèche places. To book a place please call Natalie on 01273 296700.

Tarner Children's Centre on Saturday 21 March at 10.00-12.15pm.

The subject of this workshop is **Managing Fighting and Aggression**.

To book a place please call Natalie on 01273 296700 or Vicky on 01273 294040.

Roundabout Children's Centre on Friday 27 March at 10.00-12.15pm.

The subject of this workshop is **Bedtime Routines**.

Limited free crèche places. To book a place please call Lisa or Ruth on 01273 290300.

All parents/ carers with children aged 2 to 7 years (including under 8s) are welcome.

Calendar Dates

March

17th – Parent Forum (2.30pm)
20th – Year 2 Class Assembly (9.15 – 10am)
24th – Year 5 Parents Meeting – PGL (2.30pm)
27th – PTFA Film Night (TBC)
27th – Non-Uniform Day

May

1st – Red Panda Class Assembly (9.15am)
5th – PTFA Meeting (2.30pm)
W/B 11th – Year 6 Tests
12th – Penguin Parents Meeting for Year 5 Residential
15th – PTFA Film Night (TBC)
18th – Parent Forum (2.30pm)
22nd – Last Day of Half Term

July

8th – Reports out
10th – Non-Uniform Day
10th – Summer Party (3.15-5pm)
17th – Year 6 Leavers Disco
21st – Leavers Assembly
22nd – Last Day of Term

April

2nd – Easter Parade and Mass (AM)
3rd – Last Day of Term
20th – Pupils return
20th, 21st and 22nd – Year 5 Residential to PGL
22nd April – 5th May – Big Pedal
29th – PTFA Meeting (2.30pm)

June

1st – INSET Day
2nd – Pupils return
3rd – PTFA Meeting (2.30pm)
12th – Puffin Class Assembly (9.15am)
17th – Withdean Athletics (TBC)
29th – Sports Day (2pm)
26th – Bumblebee Class Assembly (9.15am)

We are currently in the process of setting INSET days for the next academic year – as soon as we have, we will let you know.

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Kind Regards

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