

# St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## School News

### MADE Fair

Thank you so much to all of our families and the PTFA for their generosity and time helping with the MADE Fair - it really does make a difference and it is always special when we all come together as a school community. A big thank you to all of the families who donated to the fair and the raffle prizes – we really do appreciate every single one of them.

We have so far raised well over £800 and still have raffle ticket money coming in. Most of the money will go towards paying our 10% of the building project but we will use some to enhance the school experience for the children.



### Children in Need



We raised a brilliant £140.90 for Children in Need with our non-uniform day and cake sale. Thank you to everyone for your support with this and to Miss Beavis for arranging it.

### Red Pandas visit to the Royal Pavilion

Red Panda Class enjoyed a trip to Brighton Pavilion to support their local history topic that they have been studying. The children have learnt so much about the place they live and thoroughly enjoyed the trip to the Pavilion.

*"A lot of the precious items were really fragile." – Ava*

*"The lights were really shiny and had gold bits hanging on them." – Kayla*

*"We saw pagodas, dragons and foodogs. We have used these images to make our own printed patterns." – Hala*

*'It was very nice. I liked everything. I liked when we sat down and the lady told us facts about the Pavilion.'* – Mo

One of the staff at the Pavilion even said that Mo asked the best question they had ever been asked! Well done, Mo!

### Christmas Show

We were treated to a wonderful Christmas Show by Pangolins, Penguins and Red Pandas on Thursday. It was a brilliant show and the children performed with such confidence and joy – we were so very proud of them.

*"It was really fun when I kept jumping up and down like a reindeer!" Bardia*

*"It hurt my legs jumping up and down being a reindeer but I enjoyed it!" Paul*

*"I felt scared before we were doing it but then once I was on stage, I didn't." Cheseray*

*"I felt nervous at the time but once I was on the stage, I felt ok!" Lilly*



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*"I liked the bit when the reindeers popped up!" Zinden*

*"Penguins show was awesome!" Jayda*

*"When I got on stage, I felt excited and happy for my friends!" Liuka*

*"When Millie-Beau was shouting the names, it was funny and brilliant." Paul*

## Staffing

Mr Mills was hoping to return this week but unfortunately, he has still not made a full recovery. Mrs Christie-Davies is going to continue to work with the class.

## Reminders and Notices

### Non Uniform

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December to raise money for the School Fund. Please give your child's class teacher a £1 donation on the day if they would like to wear non-school uniform.

### Umbrella Skins

Mariia's mum makes fantastic bags out of the 'skins' of old umbrellas and so if you have any old, broken umbrellas please feel free to hand them in to the school office and so they can be repurposed and given a whole new life!

## CHRISTMAS EVENTS

### Raffle

We are very excited that we are having a Grand Raffle again this year and children have already brought tickets home to sell. We have plenty more in the school office if you can sell to family, work colleagues and neighbours. The draw will take place on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** and we already have some great prizes:

- £50 Cash
- £20 Infinity Foods voucher
- Voucher for 4 to play Globalls at the Marina
- Fato A Mano voucher
- Backwood Café voucher
- Drinks Hampers donated by Mr and Mrs Foster
- Food Hampers
- Bounce sessions at Sky High Trampoline Park
- 2 x Brighton Palace Pier Unlimited Ride Wristbands

Please buy and sell as many tickets as you can! And if you can't sell any, PLEASE bring your ticket books back to school so that someone else can sell them.

### Shows

All children will participate in a Christmas performance this year.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm** – Puffins, Koalas and Bumblebees will share a Christmas performance for all parents/carers.

Tickets are available through the school office. It is important that everyone has a ticket due to fire regulations but there are (currently) no limits to the amount of tickets available for each family.

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### **Children's Disco**

Our Christmas Disco will be held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 3.10pm – 4.30pm. Parents of Reception children **must accompany their child**. All other children will be escorted from their class to the hall for the disco by the school staff. Parents can collect from the Breakfast Club entrance (green door opposite Sainsbury's) at 4.30pm. Children can wear their own clothes to school on the day for a £1 donation to the School Fund.

The tickets will cost £4 and will include food and drink. **Tickets are now available to purchase from the school office**. Children will not need to bring any other money to the disco.

If you can help on the day, or can provide cakes for the children or decorations for the hall then please do let us know.

### **Christmas Dinner**

School Christmas dinner will be on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If your child would like to have Christmas dinner, they just need to order in class on the morning. Please ensure there is sufficient money in your ParentPay account if your child would like a school dinner on this day.

### **Carol Service**

Children in Jaguar Class will be leading the Carol Service on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm**. All parents/carers are invited and very welcome to join us in this community celebration of the Christmas Story.

## Calendar Dates

### **December**

11<sup>th</sup> - Infant Nativity (2pm)

13<sup>th</sup> - Non Uniform Day

13<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Disco (3.10 – 4.30pm)

19<sup>th</sup> - Carol Service at Church led by Jaguars (2pm)

20<sup>th</sup> - Last day of term

### **January**

6<sup>th</sup> - Pupils return

10<sup>th</sup> - Open session for prospective parents (9-10am)

16<sup>th</sup> - Open session for prospective parents (1.45-2.45pm)

Kind Regards

Katie Blood  
Headteacher