

St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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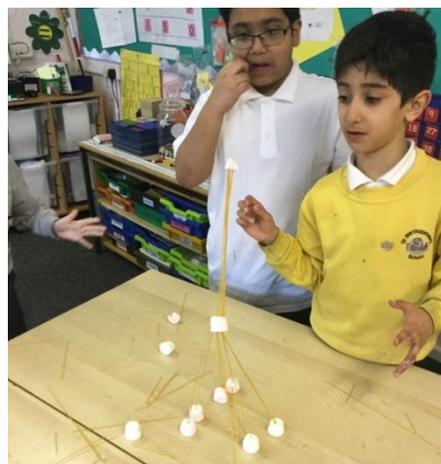
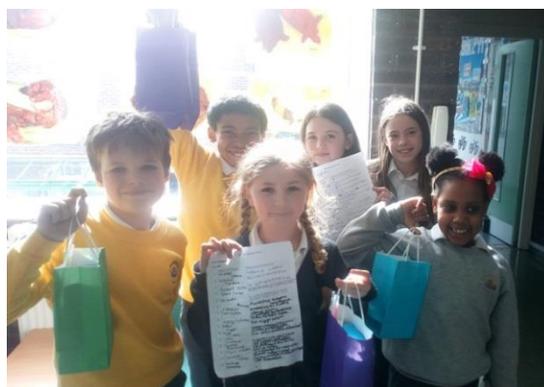
Dear Parents and Carers,

Science Week

We have had a wonderful Science Week here at St Bartholomew's. The children have participated in a range of activities in class some of which they shared in assembly.

We also presented prizes to the winners of our science quiz – well done to Tamia, Olive, Vasilios, Ellie, Oscar, Johnny, Ruby and Adrian.

On Wednesday we had a science show and workshops from Lydia at Blast Science. The children were enthralled and learnt so much about the Solar System, and Lydia was also really impressed with the knowledge of our pupils.



Year 6 visited Hove Park School for "A day of Birds" where they were able to meet a range of birds, including an awe-inspiring Vulture. Kenny said that he learnt a lot and it was one of the best things he has done!

Today we have also had some science activities from Barnaby which have been great fun! Children have enjoyed making rocket mice, spaghetti towers and experiments with dye.

Thanks to all of our staff for making Science week so enjoyable for the children.

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Year 2 Assembly

Last week, year 2 treated us to an excellent assembly to tell us all about their recent learning. They had learnt all about nurses through history and shared so much knowledge with the rest of the school. We also enjoyed hearing the story of the Paperbag Princess and hearing about the 3D shapes they had learnt about. They finished off with a spectacular dance! Well done to Year 2 pupils and staff, and thank you to all the friends and carers who came to watch.



"I loved it – it was the best thing ever!" Preston, year 2

"I liked the lines and I like the moves." Edie, year 2

Year 2 Preston Manor Trip

On Monday, many of Year 2 arrived in wonderful Victorian costumes ready for their trip to Preston Manor to learn more about life in the 19th century. During the trip, they had to participate in many of the tasks that servants in the house would have done – sweeping, polishing, laying the table, food preparation and washing were just a few! This trip was a fabulous experience for the children – thank you to all those parents who were able to make the voluntary contribution.

"I liked doing the jobs very much and I would like to do it again" Effie, year 2

"I liked cleaning up and we saw the servant's bed." Millie-Beau, year 2



World Book Day

We finally had our postponed World Book Day and what wonderful costumes we saw! Thank you so much for supporting your children to participate – we know they love it.

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Reception Bikeability

This week, Reception children have been receiving coaching using balance bikes which has been very successful, even in the rain! They really enjoyed themselves and made great progress.

Cycle Recycle Day

Year 5 went on an amazing Cycle Recycle trip on Wednesday last week. We cycled to The Deneway along cycle paths, through Preston Park and along the roads, supported by a huge team of adults including Bike-It Lucy and Mr Birch.

On arrival, we discovered a secret entrance into a large wooded area where we were met by Katie from Sussex Wildlife Trust. We learnt about the importance of recycling and all the amazing things that can be made from unusual items. We even had a go at turning inner tubes from bicycle tyres into bracelets, bookmarks and purses!

An amazing time was had by all and we now cannot wait until Bike-It To The Beach in the Summer Term!



"We sat around the campfire to talk about activities and learnt how to fix a puncture on a bike!" Layla, Y5
"It was fun riding on a bike on the way and back and we got to enjoy the nature." Chloe, Y5

Sports Relief 2018

We will be celebrating Sports Relief on Thursday 22nd March 2018. We are asking that pupils bring in a donation of £1 to wear sporty clothes of their choice for the whole day. Pupils will take part in a special Sports Relief circuit of activities throughout the day, which will be led and organised by sports leaders and staff from Greater Brighton Metropolitan College.



Football Report - Geerts Shield

St Bartholomew's had a thrilling cup tie last night against a fantastic St Mary's Catholic Primary School team from Portslade. A tense match was filled with amazing shots, saves, dribbling, passing and teamwork from both sides. After 40 minutes of play, the score was level at 0-0, thanks to our brilliant defending as a team. A penalty shoot-out followed, but both keepers made such amazing saves each team had to take 9 penalties! Unfortunately, St Mary's won by 4 penalties to 3. However, we are so proud of the performance our boys gave. They were a real credit to our school. Well done to Frankie, George, Liam, Seb, Jude, Santi, William and Adrian!

Decathlon Competition Win

Our first order from Decathlon, following Aden (Year 4) winning a £500 voucher in a regional art competition, has been made. We have spent approximately half of our £500 voucher and have purchased and constructed 2 fantastic football goals for the top playground, 10 virtual howlers (the best primary school throwing implement for Athletics) and a stack of foam balls for infant play and junior games of Dodgeball! Well done again to Aden, who was presented with a brand new football this Monday as a sign of gratitude from the school.

Film Night

The postponed Film Night is now expected to take place on Friday 20th April but we will confirm these details soon.

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Quiz Night

Quiz Night will be held on Wednesday 28th March from 7.15pm in the school hall. Tickets cost £10 per person and include drinks and a curry donated from Becky at "Picnik", 2 drinks and a fabulous quiz! Please do come along in teams of up to 6 to compete. This is an ADULT only event and tickets can be bought from the school office from Tuesday. On purchasing, please indicate if you would like chicken or vegetable curry, or a bit of both!

Easter Parade and Mass

On Thursday 29th March, we will have an Easter Parade and Mass. Children will parade from the school to the church. Parents are welcome to join the parade as we arrive outside or meet us in the church. Children are welcome to wear an Easter bonnet or an Easter hat.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all of those parents who attended parents evening over the last fortnight – it is so important for us to work together to support your children to make progress. If you haven't yet managed to meet with your child's teacher, do please try in the next fortnight.

Breakfast Club

Please remember that if you have booked a place in Breakfast Club and your child does not attend the session you will still be charged, unless your child is absent from school that day.

Kind Regards

Katie Blood
Headteacher

2017-18 Calendar Dates

March 22nd – Sports Relief
March 23rd – Year 6's World Book Day
March 28th – PTFA Quiz Night (7.15pm)
March 29th – Easter Parade and Mass (AM)
March 29th – Last day of term
April 12th and 13th – INSET day
April 16th – Pupils return
April 30th – 3-day Year 5 Residential to Windmill Hill
May 4th – Year 3 Class Assembly (9.15am)
May 18th – Year 1 Class Assembly (9.15am)
May 25th – Last day of half term
June 13th – Sports Day (2.15pm)
June 14th – Reserve Sports Day (2.15pm)
June 22nd – Reception Class Assembly (9.15am)
July 18th – Report drop in
July 23rd – Leaver's Assembly (2.15pm)
July 24th – Last day of term