

St Barnabas CE VC Primary School

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Albany Road, Bristol BS6 5LQ

We Let Our Light Shine

Dec 2 2018

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2019 is going to be an important year for our school. Our children have made a very good start to the school year and our Y6 Scorpius class are putting in the kind of effort that will lead to the Year 6 results our school cohorts should have been getting in previous years.

As I enter my 9th month with you I am beginning to understand what our children need if they are going to go onto secondary school and be successful.

The next changes we will make are intended to support that.

From Monday 7th January our gates will open at 8.40am and close at 8.55am. Too many of our children are arriving at school late which is not helping them or their classmates to learn.

All parents (YR-Y1-Y2-Y3) are invited to stay and read with their child in their class from 8.40am until 9.00am. This reading is a great addition to the home reading you do with your child.

In January 2019 all children will receive a school PE kit of tracksuit bottoms and white t-shirt. On PE days families are asked to make sure these are worn with a school jumper or sweatshirt. **All children should wear school uniform every day.**

Mr Jon Barr Headteacher

This term we have welcomed a number of visitors to the school:

Our Phoenix (Y2) and Pegasus (Y3) classes enjoyed working with the Travelling Kitchen.

Mr Del Planter, Headteacher of Marlwood School in South Gloucestershire and an ex pupil of St Barnabas in the 1980s, came to look around his old school..

Mrs Jenny Brookes, our Bristol Education Partner, came to work with the school, leadership team and governors to support our continued improvement.

They have all commented positively about our school.

SAFE WALKING AND DRIVING: EDEN GROVE

Families who drive and walk to school have talked to me this term about their concerns around safety in Eden Grove in the mornings.

Drivers are asked to drive slowly whether driving forwards or reversing. On occasions I have seen cars driven too quickly and I will challenge drivers if I see dangerous driving.

Children and adults walking into school are asked to walk down the pavements and NOT to walk or run onto the road. On occasions I have seen children of all ages cutting onto the road as they come down the cul-du-sac.

Please remember this gate will close at 8.55am from Monday 7th January 2019.

Key dates in

Term 3 Jan/Feb 2019



Monday 7th January 2019

Term 3 starts

Tuesday 22nd January Governors Standards Committee & Resources Committee

Wednesday 23rd January Governors Ethos Committee

Monday 4th February Full Governing Body

Tuesday 5th February Safer Internet Day

Friday 15th February Term 3 ends

VACANCY

St Barnabas currently has an advert live on the ETeach website for a

School Business Manager.

If you are interested please go to:

www.eteach.com/job/school-business-manager-1017161

The application deadline is Friday 18th January 2019.

DECEMBER 2018 Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to all these children chosen to receive a Headteacher award on a Friday in December 2018:

LEO YR) Niah, Malachi, Siham, Aida

ORION (Y1) Salim, Asmaa, Bonnie Safiyah

PHOENIX (Y2) Ismail, Ellis, Shadyar

PEGASUS (Y3) Mia, Mohamed, Iman, Kaylagh

TAURUS (Y4) Harvey, Anab, Ikroop, Mohamed

ARIES (Y5) Lillian, Mohsin, Razika, Asad

SCORPIUS (Y6) Orson, Sidrah, Niamh, Lataya

RECEPTION 2019

If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 you will need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2019. Your child starts school in September 2019. Come and see your child's school on our open mornings.

PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND NEIGHBOURS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL.

Encourage them to visit on one of open days.

Wednesday 9th January 2019 9.00am-11.30am

Friday 11th January 2019 9.00am-11.30am

Please book through the school office on

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