



St Barnabas' School Newsletter



A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

For reasons which you know it has been a very difficult day here at St Barnabas'. All the children have dealt with the sad news of the passing of Saba Almedom in a very mature manner. I would like to thank the whole school community, especially staff members, for supporting each other and our first priority, the children.

Saba was a truly valued member of staff. She was always kind when dealing with children, was reliable and trustworthy, had a positive fun-loving nature and always had a smile on her face. She will be missed by everyone at St Barnabas.

I have spoken with Fr John and Westminster Cathedral Primary School, where her children attend school, and details of remembrance services will follow as soon as they have been arranged. May she rest in peace.

Brendan Shanahan

Diary Dates

Tuesday 6th November— 13:30-15:30 Lord's cricket Y2/Y3 in school.

Wednesday 7th November— 09:15- 11:15—Reception & Year 1 Parent Workshops led by Harriet Amos

Wednesday 7th November—Y5&6 Swimming

Tuesday 13th November— 13:30-15:30 Lord's cricket Y2/Y3 in school.

Wednesday 14th November— 09:15- 11:15— Reception & Year 1 Parent Workshops led by Harriet Amos

Wednesday 14th November—Y5&6 Swimming

Wednesday 14th November— 13:30-15:30—Nasal flu immunisation

Friday 16th November—Parents' Coffee Afternoon!

Tuesday 18th December—KS2 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 19th December—EYFS&KS1 Christmas Performance

Thursday 20th December—St Barnabas' Christmas Market for our families

Friday 21st December—2:30pm End of Autumn Term

Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance:

Congratulations to **Sloane & Knightsbridge** who jointly topped the table with a **99.5%**.

Year 5 - Sloane — 99.5%

Year 4 - Knightsbridge — 99.5%

Year 3 - Eccleston — 98.9%

Year 6 - Belgravia — 97.5%

Year 2 - Ebury — 96.5%

Year 1 - Chelsea — 96.1%

Reception - Pimlico — 96.0%

Nursery— Ranelagh—86.1%

Punctuality:

Year 1 - Chelsea — 100%

Year 3 - Eccleston —99.5%

Year 6 - Belgravia — 99.5%

Year 4 —Knightsbridge —99.2%

Year 5 - Sloane — 99.1%

Reception - Pimlico — 99%

Year 2 - Ebury — 97.1%

Nursery - Ranelagh — 96.2%

Please make sure that your child is on time for school every day, as being late seriously affects their learning. Thank you.



Attendance Matters
...every school day counts!



Star of the Week



This week's stars of the week are as follows:

Nursery - Alexander
Year 3 - Waad

Reception - Emmanuel
Year 4 - Bilal B

Year 1 - Jasiyah
Year 5 - Mirabella

Year 2 - Kian
Year 6 - Hanifah



Reception & Year 1 Parent Classes

One of the focuses within our school development plan is on partnerships. As part of this we are working with Westminster Adult Education Service to provide a series of classes for parents. The aim of the classes is to upskill parents in:

How to effectively read with children

How to develop communication and language skills with children

The classes will run for 4 weeks starting next Wednesday from 9:15 to 11:15 in the school hall. Some of you will be familiar with the classes as the Westminster team came in for a one off session last year. At the moment the classes are open to Reception & Year 1 parents but if any parent is interested from any year group we will be able to accommodate you as the skills being taught are applicable to any age.

Please return this signed newsletter to the school office if you can attend.

I will be attending the 4 classes starting on Wednesday 7th November _____

Parent of _____ in _____ class.

Lego Club Fireworks



Firework Safety

Bonfire Night is always a highlight of the Autumn Calendar but we do need to keep as safe as possible during this time. Below is a link to the Firework Code which highlights the risks when dealing with fireworks.

Firstly, it states that attending an organised display is the safest way to enjoy them.

www.rosipa.com/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety/