Dear Parents,

It is with great sadness that I announce Mrs Cunnington will be leaving us at the end of the school year. Although Mrs Cunnington’s initial contract at school was for one year, we had planned to extend it to a permanent role. This cannot happen due to the severe budget cuts that the school now faces. These cuts are due to many factors, but the main driver of our current situation has been falling roll at the school. The deletion of the Deputy Headteacher post is one of a series of changes to staffing and savings that we are currently in the process of making to protect the long term future of the school. Our Chair of Governors, Kate McCarthy, has secured funding through charities which will pay for a large portion of the provision of Music Masters and Latin within the curriculum and we have budgeted to have a class teacher in every class next year.

Mrs Cunnington has been a great asset to the school in her time here: she has led on curriculum development, especially focusing on reading; organised events which have fostered stronger links with the school community; provided continuing professional development for all staff, leading to better outcomes for students throughout the school; and, has done hundreds of other things that have led to the smooth running of the school.

She has secured another senior leadership post at St Augustine’s in Kilburn and I am sure that she will be a success in that role. I would like to personally thank her for everything she has done here at St Barnabas’. She will be greatly missed. If anyone wants to speak to me about the school budget you are more than welcome to catch me on the school playground next week or book in a meeting through the school office.

Yours sincerely,
Brendan Shanahan

Diary Dates

- **Monday 24th - Friday 28th June** — Year 5 Bikeability
- **Wednesday 26th June** — Reception Welcome Meeting 2pm in the Reception Classroom
- **Monday 1st - 5th July** — PARENT MEETINGS WEEK
- **Monday 1st - 5th July** — Year 6 Sayers Croft Residential Trip
- **Monday 1st July** — Reception to Year 1 Transition Meeting (all current Reception parents to attend)
- **Tuesday 9th July** — Year 6 Westminster Abbey Service
- **Thursday 11th July** — Voices Foundation Celebration Singing Assembly
- **Monday 15th July** — Year 5 to Year 6 Expectations Meeting (all current Year 5 parents to attend)
- **Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th** — Year 6 Performance
- **Friday 19th July - 9:00am** — Sports Day
- **Tuesday 23rd July - 9am** — Thanksgiving Assembly (all are most welcome to celebrate and give thanks for this year)
- **Tuesday 23rd July - 1:45pm** — Last day of the Summer Term and academic year

Attendance & Punctuality

**Attendance:** well done to Reception and Year 1 for 100% attendance!
- Reception - Pimlico — 100%
- Year 1 - Chelsea — 100%
- Year 3 - Knightsbridge — 98.7%
- Year 5 - Sloane — 98.0%
- Year 4 - Eccleston — 96.8%
- Year 2 - Ebury — 96.3%
- Year 6 - Belgravia — 94.3%
- Nursery - Ranelagh — 76.8%

**Punctuality:**
- Year 4 - Eccleston — 96.8%
- Year 6 - Belgravia — 96.2%
- Year 1 - Chelsea — 95.6%
- Year 3 - Knightsbridge — 97.3%
- Reception - Pimlico — 97.3%
- Year 5 - Sloane — 96.0%
- Nursery - Ranelagh — 98.0%
- Year 2 - Ebury — 93.2%

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

**Star of the Week**

This week’s stars of the week are as follows:
- Nursery—Razam  Reception—Elyssa  Year 1—Layla  Year 2—Nadia
- Year 3—Iman  Year 4—Genis  Year 5—Abubakir  Year 6—Veronica
Art Exhibition

Well done to all the classes who produced such varied pieces using a range of inspirations, techniques and media. Together it made a wonderful, eclectic display of art which was on show on Wednesday afternoon.

Thank you to Miss Nichole for organising and curating the exhibition.

Reports and Parent Meetings

Next Friday, the annual school report for your child(ren) will be going out. We have changed the format this year in the hope that:

- key information about your child’s attainment and progress is clear
- the comments are much more personalised and meaningful
- there are clear next steps to move forward

The following week, 1st - 5th July, will be parent meetings where the main focus will be discussing your child’s report - celebrating successes and making sure that we are all agreed on future targets.

It is so important that you attend these parent meetings as it really strengthens the relationship between home and school with your child at the centre. Sign-up sheets will be in the library.

Enterprise Week and SouthWestFest

Next Saturday, 29th June, is the annual SouthWestFest - a cultural community festival for South Westminster!

We are tying our Enterprise Week into this and so next week every class will be making items to sell at our own Enterprise Market on Friday afternoon and the SouthWestFest on Saturday.

Enterprise Week is a fantastic opportunity for a whole range of learning. It is not just the Art and DT aspects which are a focus but also Maths (budgeting), English (advertising), and social skills (group work).

We know that you support us in lots of our endeavours and so we are excited to see you next Friday, even Saturday, for the big enterprise sale!