



# St Barnabas' School Newsletter



## A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

As we approach the middle of this half term we have a staffing change to notify you about. One of our teaching assistants, Mr Milne, has secured a job working for an educational charity in east London. Mr Milne has been a great role model for the children here at St Barnabas' and we wish him well with his future career.

We have a policy of employing young graduates on temporary contracts for our teaching assistant positions and them gaining future employment, whether within the educational sector or elsewhere, is always something that happens.

We informed the children at the start of the week, after which a petition was launched to make Mr Milne shave off his beard before he left. I am glad to report that he is a man of his word and has arrived clean shaven today.

From Monday Mr Edmunson will take over the role vacated by Mr Milne, I am sure we will all make him welcome.

Yours sincerely,

Brendan Shanahan

## Diary Dates

Wednesday 30th January—Year 4 Swimming

Thursday 31st January—9:00am—Year 3 Class Assembly

Friday 1st February— 2:45—Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 6th February—Year 4 Swimming

Thursday 7th February—9:00am—Year 2 Class Assembly

Thursday 7th February—LMM Year 3 Composition Workshop—3:00pm performance

Friday 15th February— 2:45pm—Celebration Assembly

Friday 15th February—Break up for half term

Monday 25th February—Return to school after half term.

## Attendance & Punctuality

### Attendance:

Congratulations to **Chelsea**, who topped the table with **100%**.

Year 6 - Belgravia —100%

Year 4—Knightsbridge — 96.2%

Year 3 - Eccleston —93.5%

Year 5 - Sloane — 93.3%

Year 2 - Ebury —93.2%

Reception - Pimlico —92%

Year 1 - Chelsea — 91.3%

Nursery—Ranelagh—78%

### Punctuality:

Nursery - Ranelagh — 100%

Year 1 - Chelsea — 100%

Reception - Pimlico —100%

Year 4 - Knightsbridge — 99.2%

Year 6 —Belgravia —99%

Year 3 - Eccleston — 98%

Year 5 - Sloane — 97.5%

Year 2 - Ebury — 95%



**Attendance Matters**  
...every school day counts!

*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—Emil

Reception - Amadeus

Year 1 - Kassem

Year 2 - Ali

Year 3 - Raquel

Year 4 - Agathe

Year 5 - Elsa

Year 6 - Jennifa



## Contact Details

Please can all parents and carers inform the office as soon as possible when you change any of your contact details.

Having the correct details can be vitally important and it is often in the most pressurised situations that time is crucial.

If we don't have your up to date details we cannot get through to you as quickly as possible which makes the situation worse for everyone involved.

Thank you.



## Class Assemblies

We are holding class assemblies every Thursday morning in the church at 9:00am. All parents are welcome, whether it is your child performing or not. Year 4 and Year 5 (pictured) have got us off to a really strong, entertaining start so far and it is always fun to see the children enjoying themselves.



## Year 2 @ Eaton Square Gardens

Our Year 2 class visited Eaton Square Gardens last week to learn all about habitats. This linked in with the science topic that they are currently studying in class. A big thank you to Simon and the team at Grosvenor Gardening for making us feel so welcome and preparing a range of hands on learning activities that give the children a much deeper understanding of the topic.

