

St Barnabas CE Primary School Newsletter

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'Let your light shine'

Staying Safe Online

We all enjoy keeping in touch with each other and instant messaging on different platforms is a great way of doing this. As parents and carers, we need to be aware if our children are using such messaging platforms, and are using them responsibly and that, the messages they are receiving are appropriate. This link has various guides, which are useful for what to look out for on messaging platforms.

<https://www.connectsafely.org/parentguides/>

Sunday School



Sunday School takes place **every Sunday** at St Barnabas Church – all children over 4 years old are welcome.

Time: 10:30 – 11:15

Parents can stay for the session or drop children off.

Our Christian value for this half term is:

'Courage'

"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says I'll try again tomorrow."

Mary Anne Radmacher

This week we pray for: those who are ill or recovering from illness.

This week's big question is:

What helps us take courage?

Attendance and Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality is vital for your child's future success. All our children have missed enough through the pandemic and now it is even more important than ever that all children attend school every day on time.

All children should be in school by **8:45am**.

Please remember:

90% in a test is good but 90% attendance in your child's life = 1 year missed at school!

10 minutes late every day = 33 hours lost learning each year

1 day absence every week = 2 months lost learning each year

Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 full days of school lost

Arriving 15 minutes late every day adds up to 2 full weeks of school lost

Arriving 30 minutes late every day adds up to 19 full days of school lost

If your child's attendance drops below 95% or your child is late 3 times during a 2-week period, you will be contacted by a member of our welfare team to support you in improving their attendance/punctuality.

Every minute counts towards your child's future success.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 25 th January	Reception and Y6 Class Photos
Monday 7 th – Friday 11 th February	Children's Mental Health Awareness Week
Tuesday 8 th February	Safer Internet Day
Monday 14 th – Wednesday 16 th February	Parents' Evening
Friday 18 th February	School closes for half term

