



St Barnabas and St Philip's Newsletter

Autumn 1—Week 8—2025/26



Each week, children who display exemplary learning behaviours are chosen as our **stars of the week**.

This week our stars of the week are:

Nursery— Daniel
Reception - Adam
Year 1 - Lyra
Year 2 - Ryan M
Year 3 - Levi
Year 4 - Ana Luiza
Year 5 - Ivy-Rose
Year 6 - Evika



Our value this term is **'Wisdom'**

This week our value stars are:

Nursery -Zyanna
Reception—David
Year 1 - Asha
Year 2 - Baman
Year 3 - Daniel K
Year 4 - Antonio
Year 5 - Ella
Year 6 - Tayyib



This week our attendance statistics are:

Reception - 95.7%
Year 1 - 96.1%
Year 2 - 94.9%
Year 3 - 93.5%
Year 4 - 93.5%
Year 5 - 96.8%
Year 6 - 100%

The winning class is :

Year 6



Important Dates

24th October—
Break up for
Half Term

3rd November—
School Closed—
INSET DAY

4th November—
Children return
to school

5th November—
Year 1 Forest
School Sessions
Begin

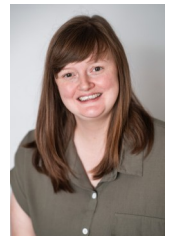
6th November—
Reception For-
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sions Begin

10th November—
Anti-Bullying
Week - Odd
Socks Day





End of Autumn Term 1 Message



As we come to the end of Autumn Term 1, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a wonderful start to the 2025–26 academic year. From the very first day back in September, the school has been calm, purposeful and full of energy. Children have settled quickly into their new classes, routines are well established, and the focus on learning has been evident in every classroom. I would like to thank you all- pupils, parents, and staff-for the part you have played in ensuring such a smooth and positive start.

This half term has also been a particularly memorable one in the life of our school. We were thrilled to welcome our SIAMS inspectors and even more delighted to receive a Judgement 1. This recognition affirms what we already know: that St Barnabas and St Philip's is a place where our Christian vision and values truly underpin everything we do. The inspectors spoke warmly about the sense of community, the care shown by pupils and staff alike, and the way our values of Hope, Joy, Wisdom, Community, Compassion and Perseverance are lived out daily. It was a proud moment for us all, and a wonderful way to begin the year.

We have also been fortunate to welcome many new families to our school community this term. Starting a new school can be daunting, but our children and parents have shown great warmth and kindness in helping new pupils settle in quickly. Whether joining us in Early Years or further up the school, each new family adds something special to our community, and we are so pleased you have chosen to be part of our journey.

Across the school, pupils have been working exceptionally hard in their lessons. The quality of writing, the enthusiasm for reading, and the growing confidence in maths have all been particularly pleasing to see. Our teachers have been setting high expectations, and children have risen to the challenge.

Looking ahead to Autumn Term 2, there is plenty to be excited about. We have a busy calendar of events, including Odd Socks Day to mark Anti-Bullying Week, a number of class trips and enrichment visits, and of course, our Christmas Fair and Nativity performances, which are always highlights of the school year. Alongside all of these wonderful events, our focus on high-quality, rigorous academic learning will continue, ensuring that every pupil is challenged and supported to reach their full potential.

As we pause now for the half-term break, I hope all our families find some time to rest, recharge and enjoy being together. The children have worked extremely hard, and they deserve a well-earned rest. Thank you once again for your continued support, encouragement, and trust-it makes all the difference to what we achieve together.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Tuesday 4th November from 8.40am**, ready for another exciting and productive term ahead.

Kind Regards,
Miss Timms
Headteacher





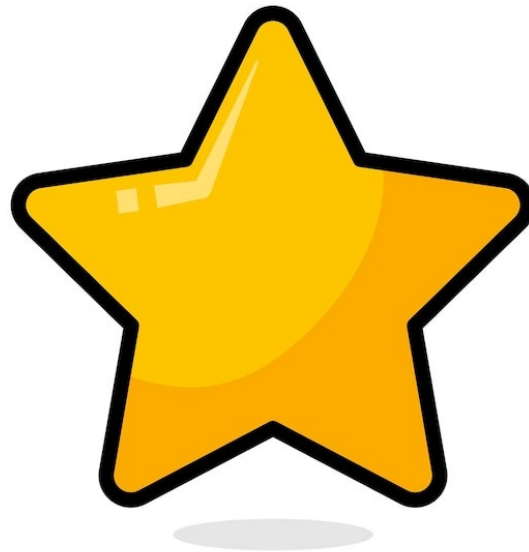
Subject Stars!

We are excited to announce our Subject Stars awards for Autumn Term 1.

Each half term, we recognise and celebrate the achievements of our students in the foundation subjects—Design and Technology (DT), Art, Sports, Music, French, and Computing.

A special certificate will be awarded to those who have shown exceptional effort, creativity, and progress in their respective areas.

Well Done Super Stars!





DT Stars!

Nursery – Dimitri

Reception – Isaak

Year 1 – Indiana

Year 2 – Loulou

Year 3 – Levi

Year 4 – Bella Blue

Year 5 – Michiko

Year 6 - Mia



Musicians of the Term

Nursery – Myles C

Reception – Michael

Year 1 – Leo

Year 2 – Ahmed

Year 3 – Margot

Year 4 – Ana Luiza

Year 5 – Asher

Year 6 - Emmy





Artists of the Term

Nursery – Julia E

Reception – Eliana

Year 1 – Barin

Year 2 – Victoria

Year 3 – Meera

Year 4 – Fox

Year 5 – Maryam

Year 6 - Kimia



Computing Stars of the Term

Year 1 – Otilie

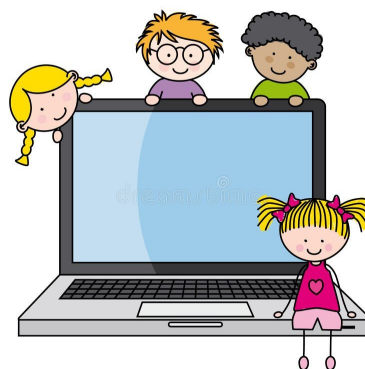
Year 2 – Harper

Year 3 – Emma

Year 4 – Renee

Year 5 – Matilda

Year 6 - Rose





Linguists of the Term

Year 3 – Yusuf

Year 4 – Renee

Year 5 – Kiran

Year 6 - Alessio



Sports Stars

Nursery – Evana

Reception – Haylie

Year 1 – Miya

Year 2 – Theo

Year 3 – Laurence

Year 4 – Ibrahim

Year 5 – Sahara

Year 6 - Luca





School Church Services

We appreciate that we are able to visit both St Barnabas and St Philip's each term.

Our service dates for Autumn Term are:

- Thursday 13th November—
Remembrance—St Philip's Church
- Thursday 27th November—
Advent—St Barnabas Church

- Thursday 18th December—
Christmas—St Philip's Church

We invite all parents/carers to join us for these services, but ask that you join us at the church.

Staff are accompanying the children on the walk and having parent's there can sometimes be a little distracting.





School Tours—Prospective Families

St Barnabas and St Philip's Primary School

We are delighted to be able to invite prospective parents, whose child is due to start school in September 2026, for a tour of our setting. Our open mornings will take place on:

Tuesday 4th November 2025 -
9.30am - 10.30am

Monday 10th November 2025 -
9.30am - 10.30am

Wednesday 19th November 2025 -
9.30am - 10.30am

Monday 24th November 2025 -
9.30am - 10.30am

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Reception—September 2026

We are excited to be welcoming our next Reception Class in September 2026, and we don't want you to miss the chance to secure a place.

Applications for first-choice Reception places opened on Monday 1st September, and must be submitted by Thursday 15th January 2026 through the [RBKC Primary Admissions website](#).

This deadline applies to children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022.

If your child is currently in our Nursery or is planning to join us next year, you must still complete the application through the RBKC admissions portal to confirm their Reception place.

Please also share this information with friends or family members who have children of Reception age, so they can apply in time.

If you have any questions or need support with your application, our school office is here to help.





Donations and School Support

We are incredibly thankful to all the parents/carers who regularly donate to our school community - whether it be through time, bringing in used uniform or books, or through monetary donations.

We would like to bring to your attention several other ways in which you can donate to the school if you are able to:

Amazon Wish List : <https://amzn.eu/gs8jKyz>

Easy Fundraising: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sbsp/?searchSessionId=fbb5681c-3de9-4b02-813e-cd0fc9f3548b>





Governors Fund 25-26

As you may be aware, we are a voluntary aided Church of England Primary School with approximately 210 pupils. We are devoted to providing our pupils with the best possible learning environment based on decent morals and values, and we are proud to have served our community for over a century.

As a Church of England School, we are required to contribute an annual maintenance fee to the London Diocese Board for School. This fee allows the school to effectively benefit from the LDBS maintenance scheme that provides 90% of the overall cost for approved capital projects including redevelopment of the existing facilities and major refurbishments.

Over the years, our pupils have benefitted from a range of capital projects, including, a new bridge linking two blocks, a fully equipped school kitchen, music room, Computing suite, library, refurbished classrooms, new toilets, a new roof and skylights.

I am sure you will appreciate, it is vital for our pupil's education, that we provide them with the best facilities possible. This can only be achieved through the kind generosity of parents, and though the fee per pupil is voluntary, we ask all parents to contribute £45 per pupil per academic year or such amount, as they are able, in order that our pupils continue to benefit from the LDBS maintenance scheme.

Unfortunately, any shortfall in the overall Governors maintenance fund will have to be taken from the school delegated budget that in turn will mean funds being diverted from other areas of the curriculum.

Contributions can be made via Arbor

or directly to the Governors fund account:
METRO BANK. Sort code: 23-05-80
Account number: 18996065

We appreciate any contributions to this fund.

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Term Dates

Please see the [Term Date Section](#) on our School Website for the full details of term dates.

Please note that any holidays in term time cannot be authorised.

