



St Barnabas and St Philip's Newsletter

Autumn 2—Week 5 —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—Zacharie

Reception—Eithan

Year 1 - Nomin

Year 2 - Lara

Year 3—Zemen

Year 4 - Daphne

Year 5– Matilda

Year 6 - Evika



Our value this term is **'Community'**

This week our value stars are:

Nursery—Stefan

Reception—Mattania

Year 1 - Max

Year 2 - Harvey

Year 3 - Ana

Year 4 - Bella Blue

Year 5– Ali

Year 6 - Nandia

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



This week our attendance statistics are:

Reception - 83.1%

Year 1– 83.1%

Year 2 - 91.7%

Year 3 - 79.4%

Year 4 - 98.1%

Year 5– 91.8%

Year 6 - 84.9%

The winning class is:

Year 4



DECEMBER

Important Dates

8th December—St Barnabas Advent Service

9th December—Nativity to EYFS Parents

10th December—Nativity to Year 1 Parents

11th December—Nativity to Year 2 Parents

12th December—Christmas Jump-er Day

18th December—St Philip's Christmas Service

19th December—End of Term—Children Leave at 1.30pm





Our Value for This Term Is:



At St Barnabas and St Philip's, we celebrate the value of Community – the sense of connection, belonging, and working together to create a safe and supportive environment. Community means each of us playing our part, caring for others, and recognizing that together, we can achieve so much more than we could alone.

Why is Community Important?

Just as trees grow stronger when they are part of a forest, people thrive when they are part of a community.

Community teaches us to look beyond ourselves and consider the needs of others, fostering compassion and cooperation. Whether it's in our class, our school, or the world around us, community is a powerful value that brings people together to make a positive difference.

Ways to Show Community at Home

Here are a few simple ways children can nurture a sense of community with family and friends at home. We encourage families to take a few moments each day to practice these tasks together and discuss how these actions make a difference:

Community Kindness Jar: Create a "Kindness Jar" where each family member can write down kind actions they've seen or done, placing each note in the jar. At the end of the month, read them together and celebrate your impact!

Bake or Make for Others: If you enjoy cooking or crafting, make something special to share with a neighbour or friend. A batch of cookies or a handmade card can brighten someone's day and remind them they're part of your community.

Celebrate Differences: Take time to talk about how everyone in your family or neighbourhood is unique, and discuss how these differences make your community stronger. By embracing each other's unique qualities, we build a richer, more understanding community.

As we focus on Community this month, let's all think about the ways we can strengthen the bonds with those around us. Together, we can build a happier, kinder world, one small action at a time.

Thank you for supporting and nurturing our value of Community both at school and at home!





Parents Meetings:

We would like to invite parents / carers to attend parents' meetings toward the end of Autumn 2. This will be a chance to look at your child's work, and speak to the class teacher for 10 minutes. The class teacher will speak to you about your child's Autumn assessments, progress over the first term, next steps in their learning, and answer any questions you may have about the upcoming term.

The dates that these will take place are:

Tuesday 9th December, Tuesday
11th December

The times will be between:

3.40pm - 6.10pm

All meetings will take place in the school hall.

Please book using Arbor.



PARENT MEETING



Please note that teachers can only take meetings within these allocated time slots, and we hope that by providing you with this notice, you'll be able to find a slot that works.

Kind Regards,

Miss Timms





EYFS and KS1 Nativity



We are delighted to invite you to our EYFS and KS1 Nativity performances! The children will be working hard over the next month, and we look forward to sharing their wonderful presentation with you on the following dates:

Nursery and Reception Parents: Tuesday, 9th December

Year 1 Parents: Wednesday, 10th December

Year 2 Parents: Thursday, 11th December

Each performance will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the school hall, and will last approximately 40 minutes.

To ensure the enjoyment and privacy of all, we kindly ask that you refrain from recording or taking photos during the performances. The school will be recording the Nativity, and we will share this video with you via a secure link after the event.

If you do not want your child to be in the recording that will be shared with parents, please email and let us know.

Class teachers may be in contact with specific details for each year group.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to welcoming you to celebrate the season with us.





Christmas Jumper and Lunch Day!



CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY

Friday 12th December is SBSP's Christmas Jumper day.

Please come to school in normal uniform with a Christmas jumper.

This coincides with our Christmas Lunch which children will enjoy at lunch time.

We are asking for a donation of £1 for the day, going to the charity -

Save The Children.

Festive headwear is also encouraged.





St. Barnabas & St. Philip's Ballet Performing Group

Presents

The Miracle of Christmas



Music by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Lucia Truglia

Featuring: Percussion Ensemble Performing Group

directed by *Jamie Truglia-Nutty*

**10.30am - Sunday 7th
December 2025**

**9.30am - Monday 8th
December 2025**

At St Barnabas Church





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the school holidays.

Sports, music, dance, arts and crafts, and
inclusive SEND activities - everyone can
join the fun!

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and snacks each day you
attend.




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School Church Services

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

Our final service date for Autumn Term is:

Thursday 18th December —St Philip's—Christmas Service

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.





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 Lists

[Reading Wish List](#)

[Maths Wish List](#)

Easy Fundraising Link

[Easy Fundraising](#)





Governors Fund 25-26

As you may be aware, we are a voluntary aided Church of England Primary School with approximately 230 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.

