St Barnabas and St Philip's Newsletter



Autumn Term 1—Week 7

We have come to the end of Autumn Term 1, and what a wonderful term it has been, full of rich learning, incredible experiences and creating new relationships with new staff and children.

We look forward to seeing you back on Monday 30th October from 8.40am for Autumn Term 2, for another exciting term!



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

This week our stars are:

Year 1 - Javell Year 2 - Adam Year 3 - Mayson Year 4 - Luca Year 5- Akari Year 6 - James



This week our attendance statistics are: **Reception -** 94.3% **Year 1 -** 97.6% **Year 2 -** 98.2% **Year 3 -** 98.4% **Year 4 -** 87.5% **Year 5 -** 83.8% **Year 6 -** 86.5%

Our winning class is: Year 3



Important Dates

1**9th October**—Break Up for Half Term

30th October—Return to School

1st November — Reception's first visit to Forest School

9th November— Remembrance Service at St Philip's

13th November—Odd Socks Day

17th November—Year 5 Visit to Royal Observatory Greenwich

22nd November—Year 6 Visit to Natural History Museum

24th November—Non Uniform Day—Donations to PSFA Winter Fair

29th November - Doctor Me Workshops with Year 4 and Year 5

6th December—Y2 visit to Postal Museum

6th December—Y6 Plum Pudding Workshop

8th December—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch



Book Looks—Autumn Term 2

This year, alongside our parent meetings that are held in the Autumn and Spring, we would like to invite you to view your child's exercise books.

The dates are as follows: **KS2**—Wednesday 29th November **KS1**—Wednesday 6th December Children's books will be laid out in Year Groups, and you can look at these with your children.

A member of the senior leadership team will be present if you have any questions.

These sessions will take place in the school hall, straight after school, from 3.40pm— 4.10pm.

Photography

We were so delighted to see so many parents join us today for our first Church service at St Barnabas Church and we appreciate you want to remember the event.

However, a reminder that when we are at school events, to please not take photos using your own personal devices.

As a school we photograph and record events and share these in line with the photo permissions that we have. This is in line with our safeguarding policy.





School Uniform



Please visit our website <u>here</u> to see the Autumn Term Uniform Requirements. As we move into colder weather—this has been updated to reflect the change.

From this term, children must wear their house coloured PE T-shirts for PE.

If you are unsure which house your child is in, please speak to their class teacher or a member of the admin team.

A reminder that bags, coats and hats should be red, black, grey or white and shoes should be black.

If your child is in the incorrect uniform, you may contacted to bring in the correct attire.



Christmas Card Orders

A reminder that the deadline for Christmas Card orders is 25th October.







Prospective Parents—School Tours

Thank you to all the parents who have recommended us to friends/family, we have received comments from our tours that this has been the most prominent way families are finding us. If you know of any families looking for a school for their Reception child for 2024-25 please direct them to book a tour.

Additionally, we have some vacancies in some year groups and we welcome parents who are interested in joining SBSP, to join these scheduled tours below, or book an individual tour with us.



St Barnabas and St Philip's Church of England Primary School



Reception 2024-25 Open Days:

Wednesday 1st November 9.00am-10.00am Friday 17th November 9.00am -10.00am

Email admin@sbsp.rbkc.sch.uk to book

58 Earls Court Road, Pembroke Mews W8 6EJ













External Events:



A wonderful opportunity from Holland Park School PSFA, This would be particularly beneficial if you are considering Holland Park as your child's secondary school—to meet some of the current parents.





Half Term Fun



Want to be the superhero of your own comic? Join us for lots of comic making fun at a summer workshop. ComicMania.co.uk is a free online educational platform that teaches creative writing skills through personalised comics with diverse superheroes and main characters. Children will create comics with characters who look like them and members of their community, so bring a digital device to make and print your own comic's or join us for a paper-based session. The choice is yours.Where: Kensington Central Library

Age: 8 to 11-year-olds

Time: 2pm to 4pm

Group size: Up to 25 children per a session only

When: Tuesday 24th October 2023

What to bring: A device e.g., laptop / tablet for online comics. Alternatively, workbooks will be provided.

Contact: Comicmaniakidz@gmail.com for any enquiries.

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 : <u>https://amzn.eu/</u><u>gs8jKyz</u>

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

PSFA General Donation: <u>https://www.pta-</u> events.co.uk/sbsp-psfa/#.Yx8urnbMKUk





Governors Fund 23-24

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 the School Gateway : <u>https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login</u>.

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

We appreciate any contributions to this fund.

Term Dates

Please see the <u>Term Date Section</u> on our School Website for the full details of term dates.

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



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