

# St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## School News

### No Room for Racism - Photos

In our last newsletter, we told you about an exciting event that Jaguar Class went to at Brighton and Hove Albion's training ground. We have now received the pictures of them taking part in a Q&A session with footballers Robert Sanchez, Danielle Carter and Joël Veltman.



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## Harvest

We had a wonderful Harvest Celebration on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you so much to ALL of the families who donated goods. Most of these have been taken to the City Mission Foodbank by Father Thomas and some have been put into the foodbank at school.

Please remember that the foodbank is available to families at all times. We do not ask for any paperwork or evidence. We can also refer families to the City Mission foodbank if this would be helpful.



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## Red Panda and Pangolin Pier Visit



On the 12<sup>th</sup> October, Pangolins and Red Pandas went on a fantastic trip to Brighton Palace Pier. The pupils were extremely resilient, walking all of the way there and all of the way back! Once we reached our destination, we filled out a questionnaire to find out about what the pier has to offer the public. The children found out a HUGE amount of information which will be extremely useful when we complete writing tasks next half term. We enjoyed eating our packed lunches on the beach and completing some valuable learning outside of the classroom! The children, as always were brilliantly behaved.

## Uniform Sale and Non Uniform Day

Thank you so much to Catriona and Hayley (parents) for running a uniform sale last term. We raised some money for the school, but more importantly, we made sure the uniform didn't go to landfill!

Please remember that the uniform is available at the front office – please do help yourself. As it gets colder, children may want to wear a jumper AND a fleece to school. We have plenty of both!

We also held a non-uniform day for the World Wildlife Fund at the end of last term – thank you for your donations. We will update you with how much was raised, as soon as the money has been counted!

## Parents' Evening

Thank you to all of you who came to parents' evening – it was good to have such a brilliant turnout! If you didn't manage to make an appointment, please make sure you catch up with your child's teacher. At parents' evening, all parents completed a permissions form. If you did not attend, this has been sent home. Please complete and return to the office ASAP.

## Match of the Day Filming

The team from the BBC were in school filming on Tuesday! They captured LOTS of footage and both the BBC crew and Albion in the Community commented positively about the school – they said that the children were wonderfully behaved and everyone was so friendly.

We have been told that the date for airing the piece will be on the Match of the Day morning repeat on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November. This may change but keep an eye out!

## Social Communication Resource and Serenity School

We currently have 2 other provisions working with our school. The Social Communication Resource is a provision for children who are, or are likely to be, diagnosed with autism and are struggling to attend mainstream school. Children come in on a part time basis, usually with staff from their mainstream school, to work through any barriers with the experts running the provision. I am on the steering group and panel for the SCR so I am kept up to date with developments and regularly consulted. The Local Authority pay us a small rent for the space

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but also refurbished the community room at no cost to us. They have been with us for over a year now and are very much part of our school community.

Serenity School is a school for children with Special Educational Needs, currently based in Croydon but opening a new site in Crawley. Since early October, they have been renting our spare classroom for their Brighton-based pupils whilst they are waiting for their new school to be built. They are likely to be here until Christmas and again, are very much part of our school community.

## Church School

### News

The church is open for visiting and private prayer at the following times:

Monday - Friday 10am – 1.00pm

Saturday 10am – 4.00pm

### Bible Verse

*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians, 5:22-23*

## Reminders and Notices

### Film Night

We will be holding a film night for pupils on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, after school. We will send out full details next week, including exact timings and cost. If you are available to help preparations in the afternoon of the 25<sup>th</sup>, please speak to Hayley (Melanie's Mum) or Reija (Lottie and Matilda's Mum) in the playground.

### Prospective Parents' Events

If you (or anyone you know!) have a child who will be starting school in September 2023, please feel free to share the details of our prospective parents' events with them. If you are able to display one of our prospective parent event posters at your work or in a local business or community space, we would be really grateful! We have posters available in the school office – please just drop by and ask for one.

Our open mornings will take place on:

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 11am

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 at 9.15am

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 11am

Our presentation for parents takes place on:

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 6.30pm

Kind Regards

*Katie Blood*

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### Calendar Dates

*Please note that these dates are subject to change*

November	December
14 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> – Anti-bullying week 17 <sup>th</sup> – Open morning for prospective parents (11am – 12pm) 17 <sup>th</sup> – Presentation for prospective parents (6.30pm) 18 <sup>th</sup> – Children in Need (TBC) 25 <sup>th</sup> – Film Night (3 – 5pm)	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Open morning for prospective parents (9.15 – 10.15am) 8 <sup>th</sup> – Red Panda and Pangolin Performance (2pm) 9 <sup>th</sup> – Bumblebee Christmas Show (2pm) 14 <sup>th</sup> – Penguin and Koala Performance (2pm) 15 <sup>th</sup> – Carol Service at Church led by Jaguars (2pm) 16 <sup>th</sup> – Non Uniform Day – School Fund 16 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of term
January	February
3 <sup>rd</sup> – INSET day 4 <sup>th</sup> – Pupils return 10 <sup>th</sup> – Open morning for prospective parents (11am – 12pm) 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Parent Forum (2pm)	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Film Night 10 <sup>th</sup> – Non-Uniform Day – School Fund 10 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of half term 20 <sup>th</sup> – Pupils return 27 <sup>th</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Book Week
March	April
6 <sup>th</sup> – Parent Forum (2.00) 7 <sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Parents Meeting PGL (2.15) 17 <sup>th</sup> – Sport Relief 17 <sup>th</sup> – Film Night (TBC) 21 <sup>st</sup> – Parents' Evening (3.30 – 5.30) 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Parents' Evening (3.30 – 7.00) 27/28/29 <sup>th</sup> – Year 5/6 Residential 29 <sup>th</sup> – Non Uniform Day – Connor Saunders Foundation 30 <sup>th</sup> – Easter Parade 30 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of Term for pupils 31 <sup>st</sup> – INSET Day	17 <sup>th</sup> – Pupils return
May	June
8 <sup>th</sup> – Year 4/5 Parents meeting for Y5 Residential (2.30) W/B 8 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 tests 19 <sup>th</sup> – Pangolin Class Assembly 19 <sup>th</sup> – Film Night 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Parent Forum (2.00) 26 <sup>th</sup> – Penguin Class Assembly 26 <sup>th</sup> – Non School Uniform – School Fund 26 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of half term	5 <sup>th</sup> – INSET Day 6 <sup>th</sup> – Pupils return 16 <sup>th</sup> – Koala Class Assembly 21 <sup>st</sup> – New Reception Children visit with Parents (9.15 – 10.15) 27 <sup>th</sup> – Sports Day 28 <sup>th</sup> – New Reception Children Visit & Parents Meeting (9.15 – 10.15) 30 <sup>th</sup> – Red Panda Class Assembly 30 <sup>th</sup> – Summer Party (2.30 – 4.30)
July	
5 <sup>th</sup> – New Reception Children Visit & Parents Meeting (9.15 – 10.15) 6 <sup>th</sup> – Reports out 7 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 transition day 13 <sup>th</sup> – Report drop-in 14 <sup>th</sup> – Bumblebee Class Assembly (2pm) 14 <sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Leaver's Disco (2.30 – 4.00) 17 <sup>th</sup> – St Bart's Got Talent (2.00 – 2.45) 19 <sup>th</sup> – Non Uniform Day - Food Bank 20 <sup>th</sup> – Jaguar Class Leaver's Assembly (2.00pm) 21 <sup>st</sup> – Last day of term	

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