

# St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## School News

### Christmas Shows

We have been treated to some AMAZING Christmas shows this term. The Pangolins and Red Pandas treated us to a song and dance extravaganza which was Father Ben's first time at a show with us. He thought it was wonderful. Well done to all the stars of the show!

Koalas and Penguins shared a retelling of the Nativity with some lovely Christmas songs. Some of the children learnt so many lines and were word perfect. They should be SO proud of themselves. It was a very enjoyable performance and really filled us with the Christmas spirit!

Bumblebee Class sang some Christmas Songs for their parents and carers and did a wonderful job! They worked hard to remember their words to the songs. What superstars!

To finish off our school Christmas celebrations, Jaguar Class led us through our lovely Carol Service. It is great for the oldest children in the school to revisit the Christmas Story in their performance. We thought they were wonderful and I think everyone who attended left feeling Christmassy! A big thank you to Simon Brading for accompanying us on the piano.

These concerts don't happen without a lot of hard work from school staff so it's important that we say a big thank you to them to. All of our teachers work hard with their classes and the support staff really do support during these performances. Mrs Paton has a key role in most of our concerts and supports most classes with the teaching and learning of the songs – a big thank you to her too!

### Pantomime Trip

Children in Koala Class, Red Panda Class and Pangolin Class were lucky enough to go to the Pantomime Beauty and the Beast in Worthing. The tickets, transport and interval were fully funded by Brighton Lions – we cannot thank them enough. Our children had a wonderful time and I think some of the adults did too! A Lion even came to wave us off...



*'Let Your Light Shine' (Matthew 5:16)*

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News	Bible Verse
 <p><b>Christmas at St Bartholomew's</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b> 4pm Carol Service</p> <p><b>Christmas Eve</b> 4pm Family Crib Service 11pm Midnight Mass</p> <p><b>Christmas Day</b> 10.30am Solemn Mass</p> <p><i>Wishing you a very happy and blessed Christmas</i></p> <p><small>Ann Street, Brighton, BN1 4GP <a href="http://www.stbartholomewsbrighton.org.uk">www.stbartholomewsbrighton.org.uk</a></small></p>	<p><b>Luke 2:10</b></p> <p>But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people."</p>

Reminders and Notices
Parent Forum
<p>We are hoping that we will be able to start our Parent Forum again. This was an opportunity for parents to meet with either Ms Blood or Miss Keeling, to discuss a particular topic around school improvement and to share opinions and potential solutions. The first one is planned for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm and will go ahead, dependent on Covid restrictions at the time.</p>
Clubs and Opportunities Outside of School
<p>There are some great clubs in the local area for primary age children that your child might be interested in. These tend to be more affordable and offer a variety of activities. Most of these clubs are now up and running as normal!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For girls age 5+ - Rainbows, Brownies and Guides - <a href="https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/">https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/</a> or speak to Ms Blood or Mrs Pacey</li> <li>For girls age 4+ - Girls' Brigade <a href="http://www.girlsb.org.uk/be-part-of-it-_32/">http://www.girlsb.org.uk/be-part-of-it-_32/</a> or see Mrs Barnett</li> <li>For boys and girls age 6+ - Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts - <a href="http://scouts.org.uk/home/">http://scouts.org.uk/home/</a></li> <li>For boys and girls age 10+ - Sea Cadets - <a href="https://www.sea-cadets.org/join-us">https://www.sea-cadets.org/join-us</a></li> <li>For boys age 5+ - Boys' Brigade <a href="https://boys-brigade.org.uk/">https://boys-brigade.org.uk/</a></li> <li>For everyone, birth to adult – Woodcraft Folk - <a href="https://woodcraft.org.uk/">https://woodcraft.org.uk/</a></li> </ul> <p>If you know of any similar clubs that would welcome children, please let us know.</p>
Fun and Friends Group
<p>Our Fun and Friends group runs every Wednesday morning for preschool children and their parents. It's an opportunity for the children and the adults to make friends and have fun! This is run by Mrs Barnett and they meet in the community room. Please enter through the front office from 8.45am.</p>

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## Reception Intake 2022

We have been busy showing round parents who would like their children to start here in September 2022. We have one last show round left so if you know anyone who is interested, please tell them to book onto the last visit on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January. They just need to call or email the school office.

Kind Regards

*Katie Blood.*

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Headteacher

## Calendar Dates

*Please note that these dates are subject to change*

December	January
17 <sup>th</sup> Non Uniform Day – School Fund 17 <sup>th</sup> Last day of term	4 <sup>th</sup> INSET DAY 5 <sup>th</sup> Pupils return 10 <sup>th</sup> Open Session for potential Reception parents (11.00-12.00) 24 <sup>th</sup> Parent Forum (2.00)