



St Bartholomew's Primary School

Newsletter No 1

Autumn Term 2023



Dear families,

Welcome back!... I'm really pleased to share just how well all of our children are settling back in and I extend that to our new starters (well done!)... and the staff team :-). We do understand that towards the end of this week though, there may be some tired tears.

In terms of my newsletter, I ordinarily aim to keep you all updated at least twice over a half-term. I appreciate that in this first addition, there are a number of reminders (overleaf, or as you scroll through) but I am conscious that we are seemingly expecting some very warm weather over the next couple of weeks... suncream and caps a must please. We are mindful, at lunchtime particularly, to temper activity and encourage time in the shade and plenty of water.

Coming soon...

Foundation Stage 2024/ '25 - OPEN events

We are already thinking about our potential new starters for next Autumn and in response to a number of enquiries for places next year, we will be holding 'open' **afternoon and evening sessions on Tue 26th September.**

Parent's Evening

More specific details to follow but as a 'heads up'...

EYFS/ KS1 (Yr 1, 2) week beginning Mon 2nd Oct

KS2 (Yr 3 - 6) week beginning Mon 9th Oct

CARES code

Whether new to you or a refresh, you will find this on pg 5. I am keen to mention that the elements of this will be a focus for our assemblies - one letter of the code per half-term. This is something we carefully model as well as draw our pupil's attention to across all aspects of school life. It also forms an expectation though for our parents/carers too, as a community, in terms of the partnership we aim to build with you.

This seems like a good place to sign off :-)... at least for the moment. All good wishes,

Mr Clark & the St Barts team.

**Tuesday 5th September
2023**

Special Points of Interest:

☺ Parking

Contact details:

☺ Moved House?...

☺ New Phone Number
or email address?

Diary Dates

Diary dates for the
Autumn term and
beyond, will be
confirmed shortly and
will then be sent out to
families.

Change of personal details...?

If you have changed your contact phone number or email recently, or moved house, please inform the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.



Hair

For Health and safety reasons, we ask that all children with shoulder length (and longer) hair, have their hair tied up and back for the school day.

We will also ask that some longer styles (not quite of that length) are also tied up and/ or back, for particular activities - largely, but not exclusive to, PE sessions (alice/ sports bands can be great for this).

We have already had a very significant incident and injury, through no fault of the child's or others, but which has highlighted the importance of re-establishing this at this early stage.

Many thanks in advance.

Asthma

This time of year - with the transition to the onset of cold, damp weather - can often be challenging for children with asthma.

Parents please make sure - inhalers...

- and spacers are named;
- are in date;
- are in school every day.

Also, that...

- Forms and Asthma UK cards are filled in and returned to the school office.

If your child has recently been diagnosed with Asthma, please call in at the school office to have this recorded and to collect the forms.



Hand Hygiene

Regular hand-washing/ sanitizing is still key to keeping us safe and well in school.

We ask that unless your child has a specific skin condition, that you **do not** send them in with their own hand sanitiser. We have plenty of anti-bacterial gel around school as well as regular opportunities for children to wash their hands with warm water and soap. If, for a medical reason, your child needs separate gel/ soap, please drop their class teacher an email or speak to a member of the school office.

Thank you.



Nut Allergies

Please ensure that any food brought into school does not contain nuts as we have many children who are allergic to nuts of any type.

Nuts and peanuts can cause allergic reactions, which are sometimes *severe* and can be life-threatening. Allergic reactions are not always caused by the child eating nuts; close proximity to nuts can cause a reaction.

So please be aware of foods such as Nutella and their new B-Ready bars which contain hazel nuts.

Help us to keep all of our children safe by remaining NUT-FREE.



Parking

Your co-operation is needed if you deliver and collect your children from school in the car.

The safety of all children is paramount!

Parents are asked **NOT** to park in the shaded areas on this plan.

Do not park on the corners of junctions, on the pavements and on double yellow lines or zig zags. They are there for the children's safety.

PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE INTO WILLOWCROFT.

Parking in the school car park is for staff and disabled drivers only.

NO PARKING please on the school car park when dropping off and picking up for school clubs

	Sand hills		The Deep-way		
		Warwick Avenue		Warwick Avenue	
			Willowcroft		Beacon Avenue
			Front		
			SCHOOL	Back Gate to the School	

No Dogs

Please do not bring dogs onto our school site and do not leave them tethered and unattended at either the front or back school gates.

Thank you



Reminder—please walk with wheels in the school grounds for everyone's safety.

Thank you

School Lunch/Packed Lunches

Our school lunch menu can be found on our school Website:

<http://www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Dinners&pid=35>

As a Healthy School, we actively encourage our children to eat healthily. **Please ensure that you are sending your child to school with a nutritious and balanced packed lunch, trying also to avoid any chocolate or sweets for snacktime.**

Please also remember to send water as a drink and not juices of any kind.

Thank you.

Sarah Oakland (Assistant Headteacher)

REMINDER – WE HAVE A STRICT 'NO NUT' POLICY

WELCOME

This term we welcome some new staff members to the St Bart's Team.

Miss Basson - EYFS Teacher

Mrs Collins - Year 1

Mrs Titchmarsh - Year 2

I'm sure you will join me in wishing them all a warm welcome to the school,

Mr Clark

Staggered Timings

'School day' timings - from Autumn 2023

	Morning	Afternoon
	Mon – Friday	Mon – Thu`
	Classrooms open:	Collection time:
Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 (Yr 1, 2)	8.30am	3.15pm
Key Stage 2 (Yr 3, 4, 5, 6)	8.40am	3.25pm
		Fridays
	Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 (Yr 1, 2)	2.00pm
	Key Stage 2 (Yr 3, 4, 5, 6)	2.10pm





St Bartholomew's CARES

- C** - Co-operate kindly with others.
- A** - Aware that everyone is important and individual.
- R** - Respect others and take responsibility for our actions.
- E** - Enjoy school and be enthusiastic.
- S** - achieve Success through challenging ourselves to...

GIVE OUR BEST.





Our school website
www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk

Copies of this newsletter will be sent via In-touch.
A paper copy will be sent home for those parents who require one.
A larger print version for this newsletter is available from the school office.
This can also be accessed our website at www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk

For anyone wishing to contact our Governing Body please email on:
governors@st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk

St Bartholomew's School Choir

We would like to welcome our Key Stage 2 St Bart's children to join us for some extra singing!

The choir meet to sing a wide range of songs, mainly for enjoyment but also to perform at events such community/school events and church services. This term, we are fortunate to be joined by a parent of the school (Anna- also a trained singer) who will be helping us to lead the singing.

We meet in Classroom 9 (Mrs Barrass' room) on Wednesday's (3.15-4.00pm). Biscuits are provided!

Our first session will be on **Wednesday 20th September.**

If you feel your child would like to try it out, please contact the office for a permission slip to fill in. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you

Mrs Barrass and Miss Cronin (class teachers)





RAWLINS

A CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Year 6 into 7 Open Evening

Thursday 28 September

SAVE THE DATE

Full booking details on our website
from Friday 8 September

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