



# St Bartholomew's Primary School

## Newsletter No 2

### Summer 2025



Dear families,

#### SCHOOL STREET

Over the last couple of years, owing to increased traffic and parked cars, pupils have voiced not feeling safe walking, biking or scootering to school.

**Starting from Wed 27th August, Willowcroft** will be closed from:

8.10 - 9.10 in the morning... and  
2.45 - 3.45 in the afternoon

Any access to / from school will be kept to a minimum and restricted to drivers with a permit (or delivery).

The children have had an assembly informing them about this. The most important aspect to remember... PLEASE DO NOT WALK OR SCOOTER ON THE ROAD during these times.

Please be mindful to look out for your **ARBOR NOTIFICATIONS.**



Owing to cost implications, we have needed to close our text service.

We are of course keen to make sure we can get important communications to you as quickly and effectively as possible.

Could we ask that you move your 'Arbor app' to your first screen (if not already) to help ensure you see notifications.

#### FOSBA update

As we come to the end of the year, FOSBA and St Bart's will be saying 'goodbye' but also a huge 'thank you' to: **Jenny, Lizzie and Louisa...** who have been with our PTA for a number of years as their families have come through.

All of the events that FOSBA hold, raise significant additional funds for school - their **latest project** will be completed in the Autumn term... the previous location (adjacent to the field) of 'Womble Hill' / the mound, will be re-surfaced and a clamber-stack sited there!

Other spends supporting school this year, include class sets of key books, subsidised coach travel (Yr 6, Warning Zone) and 'outdoor learning' equipment.

As we start thinking ahead to preparing for the Autumn term and 2025/ '26, please be mindful of our...

#### UNIFORM POLICY

Key points include:

**Footwear** Black school style shoes or boots (leather or leather-effect, with no coloured markings or logos). **NOT trainers**

#### For PE

Trainers or plimsolls (no black soles) - for some aspects

Black/ Navy shorts, leggings

White/ royal blue T-shirt / polo shirt (Navy for Yr 6)

#### Other things to consider...

Headbands - plain

No Jewellery - other than small earrings

No nail varnish or make-up

Give your best  
09.07.25

#### St Bart's Shield

This is an award first introduced by previous Headteacher Mrs Boston...

...to be given, and to celebrate, an exemplary and outstanding Year 6 pupil

This year's Shield winner is **Miss Alice Kells** - for... thoughtful contributions and never failing to give her best - a true role model!

With runners up:  
Alyssia Stevenson...  
and Stanley Brewster

#### Diary Dates

**Last Day of Summer Term**  
Friday 11th July

**School re-opens**  
Wednesday 27th August

<b>Red Kites</b>	<b>Green Owls</b>	<b>Blue Falcons</b>	<b>Golden Eagles</b>
871	907	866	960



## Year 5 Rainforest Visit

On Tuesday 3rd June, Rainforest Man, AKA Dave, spent the day with Year 5 pupils as part of their topic, learning about rainforests. He wowed us with his tales from the jungles of the Amazon, Borneo and Madagascar, including sharing his knowledge of indigenous tribes, fauna and flora. The children were able to get 'hands on' with some creatures from these vital habitats. The day was part of a wider week where children have learnt about layers of the rainforest and have produced some stunning artwork which is now on display in the corridors.

From The Year 5 Team



## Year 5 & Year 6 Football

After a brilliant season, the Year 5 and 6 football team came out on top as FCS football league champions! They showed great teamwork and sportsmanship throughout, winning 40 out of the 50 games they played. A massive well done to everyone that represented the school team – you all played your part in helping St Bart's lift the trophy.

Mr Wright



## GB Olympic Swimmer Visit

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, we were delighted to welcome Anna Hopkin, a former GB Olympic swimmer into school. This occasion marked 'Olympic Day' which takes place every year on this day and represented the 131<sup>st</sup> birthday of the modern Olympic games. She talked to the children about the Olympic values of excellence, respect and friendship as well as her achievements. Throughout the day, the children took part in the daily mile which also incorporated different actions, representing some of the different sports, as the children ran round the track.



## Year 6 Mathematicians!

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, we went to Cossington Primary School. This was for a competition between 6 local primary schools. Every Y6 had taken part in a quiz a few weeks ago and the best 5 from each school went head-to-head!

We had fun doing a Maths quiz against other schools and it challenged our brains a little. It was sad that we came second but we tried our best. There were lots of different types of Maths and it was a great opportunity.

It was lots of fun (and we got biscuits) and we did our best together even though we didn't win. We only came second by 2 points!

Gwyn, Florence, Alex, Alice and Lucas  
Year 6

## Bake Sale— Love 4 Life

On 27th June there was a bake sale for 'Love 4 Life' we would like to thank you for your support—in total we raised £270.30 to go towards the charity.



## FOSBA—Second Hand Uniform

Thank you for all your second hand uniform donations—please note going forward only donate items that have the school logo.

Thank you.

FOSBA



# Summer Reading Challenge

Quorn Library is taking part in the "Story Garden"  
Summer Reading Challenge

Come along during the summer holidays



THE  
READING  
AGENCY

Summer Reading Challenge

## Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a **FREE**, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

### Why Join?

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at  
[summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)  
to get started from 5 July 2025.

Help your child start their reading adventure today!

## Arbor—Please check your details

Please can parents check their child's details on the Arbor app including Medical and Dietary conditions to check they are correct and up to date.

Please also note that the school's text service has come to an end, we shall now communicate with you through the in-app message service on Arbor.

Thank you very much.

Arbor



 present a full-day  Holiday Club event

# Deep Sea Divers

Loads of activities as we take a Deep Dive into the story of **Jesus**  
Songs, crafts, games, stories  
Suitable for 5-11 year olds  
Bring your own lunch



**THURSDAY 14TH AUGUST**  
**9.30am - 4pm** followed by 'Show & Tell' & snack tea  
**QUORN BAPTIST CHURCH, MEETING STREET**

**Cost:** £10 for first child & £5 for subsequent children from the same household  
(Limited early drop-off spaces at 8-30am - email for availability)

**To Register:**  
Tickets available from Eventbrite. Scan the QR Code. Tickets available from 28<sup>th</sup> May



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