



# St Bartholomew's Primary School

## Newsletter No 2

### Summer Term 2026



Dear families

2025 - '26...

This really has been a year of highs and lows... in particular, at the moment, the high temperatures and some disappointment of re-worked events - our sports days and FOSBA 'Fun Day', to name a couple. Still, the show has gone on... helped by some air con :- ) and the support of the whole school community, in response to decisions and subsequent changes. Our first fete, for quite some time, raised approximately £3,500 which will massively help towards re-surfacing our hard-court area. Thanks so much for 'turning out'!

Anyway, lots more to share - please take the time to look through this last edition. Wishing you all a fantastic summer break, Mr C & team

**Coming in Autumn '26... SNACK-tember!**



This was one of 13 bin bags (!) collected last Friday. Sadly, we are seeing an increase in the number of snacks and thereby crisp packets and wrappers... not so Fruity Friday - I spoke to the children in Collective Worship and we will look to bring this back in the new year! Snack-tember is National.



I just wanted to say 'thank you' to all of the children who have represented St Bart's at sporting events this year. We have had a range of successes, not least winning our football league for the 4th year running... 'it came home!' :-)



Our **summer KS2 DISCO**, saw Year 6 pupils (and a visiting alien!...) close the evening encouraging England on... 'it's coming home...'. Our leavers enjoyed pizza and photo opportunities, as their parting gift from FOSBA.

Our Year 3's attend this last disco of the year and despite the heat it was a great event.

**House Points—Overall Winner of the Year**

**Blue Falcons**

**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



**'Give your best'**

9th July 2026

**THINKING SPACE**



**'True Treasure'**

In Collective worship this week, our pupils had a chance to reflect upon whether we get 'joy' just from the things that we can buy...?

What are true treasures?...  
friendship, family

**Diary Dates**

**School Opens**

Tuesday 25th August

**August Bank Holiday**

Monday 31st August



## Bake Sale



**£378.50** for the LOROS Hospice

'Guess the Sweets in the Jar' winner Ella C in Mr Codd's class. The total was 157 sweets and she was only 1 sweet away with her guess of 156. Well done Ella.

## National Athletics Event

We were delighted to be invited to attend the National Athletics event at Loughborough University on Sunday 17 May. Alfie and Sofia were selected to represent our school and did so brilliantly.

They took part in a 60m sprint race ahead of the main event, gaining valuable experience of competing in such a prestigious setting. Following this, they had the exciting opportunity to support some of the country's top athletes – including Olympic medallists – by helping to carry kit boxes to and from events.

It was a truly memorable experience and a wonderful opportunity for Alfie and Sofia to visit a world-class venue and play a part in such an important national athletics event.

Mrs Sonya Campbell  
Assistant Headteacher



# Flute / Fife / Recorder Lessons

## FLUTE/FIFE/RECORDER LESSONS

### KEYBOARD (PIANO) LESSONS

Your school's visiting flute/fife teacher, Caroline Faulkner, has space to start more pupils. Pupils usually start on the plastic Yamaha fife and move onto the flute when ready, although Y5/Y6 pupils may wish to begin on the flute immediately. Individual and small group recorder lessons are also available.

Day: Tuesdays/Wednesdays after school

Age: Year 3 upwards (flute/fife), Year 2 upwards for recorder

Cost: £6 (shared lesson), longer or individual lessons available

Opportunity to play in assemblies etc

Trial lesson available

For more information contact Caroline Faulkner on 07792568994

[faulknerflutes@gmail.com](mailto:faulknerflutes@gmail.com)

### KEYBOARD (PIANO)

Lessons for beginners and those who already play. Suitable for those with piano or keyboard at home (I can advise on getting one).

Day: Tuesdays/Wednesdays after school

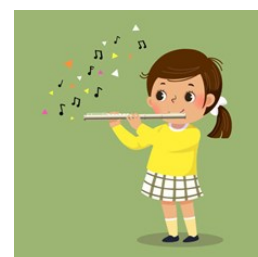
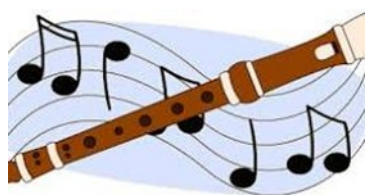
Age: Year 3 upwards

Cost: £12 (individual lesson)

Opportunity to play in assemblies etc

Trial lesson available

Contact details as above



# This Summer in Quorn Community Library

4<sup>th</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> September



Turn up the volume on reading this summer! This summer, The Reading Agency invites children to discover the joy of reading through Read to the Beat! — the music-themed Summer Reading Challenge 2026.

With a fantastic collection of books inspired by music from around the world, children can explore stories, poetry, graphic novels, and non-fiction for all reading levels.

Best of all, books are FREE to borrow from your local library. As part of the National Year of Reading, libraries are encouraging families to make reading part of their summer adventures. Children can sign up at the library or online, set their reading goals, and enjoy rewards along the way.

4<sup>th</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> September

Come along to Quorn Community library to find out more and join the challenge

**Treasure hunt and Activities**

Craft sessions on 21<sup>st</sup> July and 11<sup>th</sup> August

(these must be prebooked in the library)

## St Bartholomew's Science Club

We have had a great first term at St Bartholomew's Primary. The children have undertaken a range of experiments, building circuitry and microscope analysis. Thank you for a brilliant first term and we hope to see many of you back next year.

Final session date: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July



## Year 3 & Year 4 Buddon Brook Walk

The children in Year 3 & Year 4 went on our second walk to Buddon Brook to see how the environment changes throughout the seasons.

This time the children were able to identify a huge variety of plants and animals and even went in the stream to see animals in different habitats. As well as the large variety of insects, they also found other invertebrates such as crayfish.

Thank you to all the parent helpers too!



## Colour Dash

I wanted to personally thank you and your whole school community.

**You should be incredibly proud — St Bartholomew's raised an amazing £8,728 including Gift Aid, through your Colour Dash.**

That is a fantastic achievement and a real reflection of the generosity, enthusiasm and commitment shown by your pupils, families and staff. We are completely blown away at LCH

You are one of our top fundraising schools – a huge thank you.

More information on prizes, certificates and Epic Fundraisers will follow.

Schools like St Bartholomew's are what we consider Meaningful Impact Schools.

Your fundraising plays a vital role in strengthening our charity's ability to support children where need is greatest, while also giving your pupils a powerful, real-world opportunity to demonstrate compassion, generosity and great citizenship.

Nichola Moore - CEO

LCH Charity – Lifting Children's Hopes

A charity dedicated to the happiness and wellbeing of young people.



## School Uniform

Please clearly label all school uniform, so if it is lost we can deliver it back to the right child.

If secondhand items are purchased from FOSBA, please ensure that you update the name in the clothing with the new owner.

Thank you.



**PLEASE LABEL ALL CLOTHING CLEARLY WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME**



**St Bartholomew's**  
— UNITED CHURCH, QUORN —

# Pet Service

**Sunday 2nd August**  
**10:30am**  
**Quorn Church Rooms**

All furry, feathered and finny  
pets & companions welcome!

Dogs on leads please.  
Cats and small pets  
in secure carriers.



If your pet can't come,  
please bring their photo  
for blessing.



'Animal memories' table,  
to bless any pictures  
of pets who have passed away.





present a full-day  
Holiday Club event



# TEAMBUILDERS

Loads of activities as we see  
how *Jesus* builds a team  
Songs, crafts, games, stories



*Suitable for 5-11 year olds*  
*Bring your own lunch*

## Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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

**To Register:**

Tickets available from Eventbrite.

Scan the QR Code.

**Phone:** 01509 621106

**Facebook:** [quornchurchesholidayclub](#)

**Email:** [quornchurchesholidayclub@gmail.com](mailto:quornchurchesholidayclub@gmail.com)



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*Running events*



# Stars of Tomorrow



**ALL AGES  
AND ABILITIES!**



UKA  
Measured  
Course



All athletes  
timed



Medals  
fastest 3 per  
age group



County  
Rankings

AGES (SCHOOL YEARS)

YEARS 3 & 4  
1K

YEARS 5 TO 8  
1 MILE

YEARS 9 TO 13  
2K



RACE 1

Tuesday  
23rd June 2026  
7pm

Herewoode Academy



RACE 2

Tuesday  
11th August 2026  
7pm

Herewoode Academy



RACE 3

Tuesday  
8th September 2026  
7pm

Herewoode Academy

Contact



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**FOR FURTHER DETAILS**

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## 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](http://www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk)

**Copies of this newsletter will be sent via email.**

**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](http://www.st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk)

**For anyone wishing to contact our Governing Body please email on:**

[governors@st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk](mailto:governors@st-bartholomews.leics.sch.uk)