

# St Barnabas Bulletin

*Aspire, Believe-Together Achieve*

ST BARNABAS SCHOOL PTA



**QUIZ NIGHT**

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

**BAR OPENS 7PM**

QUIZ STARTS 7:30PM  
£20.00 PER TEAM (UP TO 8 ADULTS ONLY)

ALCOHOLIC & SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE - CASH AND CARD PAYMENTS ACCEPTED

COMPLETE & RETURN YOUR BOOKING FORM WITH YOUR ENTRY FEE NOW - AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE

## PTA Events

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Christmas Shopping Day**

**Friday 8th December**

**Christmas Fayre**

**Saturday 9th December**

**11-1pm**

## INSET DAYS 2023/24

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

All term dates are on the school website: <https://www.stbarnabasprimaryschool.co.uk/>

## October Newsletter



At St Barnabas, we pride ourselves on designing a curriculum that is personalised to the children that we serve and our community.

The 3 drivers for our curriculum are:



Spirituality



Possibilities



Community

### Our Learning:

This term in Geography, all children are developing their knowledge and skills through our 'Spatial Sense' unit. Our youngest children are developing an awareness of their sense of place and our oldest children are learning about time zones.

In History, in EYFS and Year 1, children are developing their understanding of what 'History' means by using vocabulary such as past and present. In Years 2—6, children are learning about a different piece of Bristol History from Bristol Slave Trade in Year 6 to Bristol Aviation History in Year 4.

Y2 have enjoyed a visit to Kingswood Museum to learn about Victorian schools and Y4 visited Aerospace Bristol. Thank you to Marley's dad in Y2 who is also visiting Y4 to share his aviation expertise—we are very grateful! Do let us know if you can enhance our curriculum in any way, we'd love to hear from you!

### St Barnabas Neighbourhood Allotment

Following the visit from Bitton in Bloom committee back in July we received an invitation to the presentation evening on 29th September.

Guess what.... We had won best newcomer for our allotment! The judges were very impressed with what had been achieved in such a short space of time and are looking forward to coming back next year to see what we do next! A huge thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to get this project off the ground and very special mention to Sam Culver for the dream and inspiration to get us started!



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## Diary dates

### Term 1

Tuesday 10th & Thursday 12th Oct — Parents evenings

Friday 13th Oct 9.15am—Parent Council meeting

Thursday 19th Oct 9.15am—Church Harvest celebration

Friday 20th Oct—Learner of the term celebration

**End of term Friday 20th October**

**Start of Term 2—Monday 30th October**

### Term 2

Tuesday 31st Oct —YR-Y6 Flu immunisation

Thursday 2nd Nov—Open day for 2024 cohort

Wednesday 15th Nov —Mrs Newbolt T@2pm

Thursday 16th Nov —NSPCC speak out stay safe assembly

Friday 17th Nov —Parent Council

Monday 20th Nov —Individual Photos

**FRIDAY 24th INSET DAY**

Friday 1st Dec—non uniform

Friday 8th Dec—PTA shopping day & Christmas Jumper day

Saturday 9th Dec —Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 12th Dec— KS1 Nativity

Thursday 14th Dec —Church Y5 leading

Friday 15th Dec—end of term

**Term 3 starts 3rd January 2024**

**Check out the website for updates and next year's dates.**



Last week the CEO, Mr Newman and Miss Kitchen, Director of Education came to visit St Barnabas. They toured the school, went into lessons, spoke to children and even went out to playtime with them.

We are so proud of our school and pupils that we wanted to share some of the things they said with you.

*Pupils behave well and work to support each other in their learning. Examples of collaborative learning were observed across the school. Pupils enjoy school. They say that adults are kind; they support them to do their best, encourage and support, and help everyone succeed.*

*Reading is a high priority for the school. Pupils say they love reading and enthusiastically talk about what is provided to them. This love comes from the Headteacher, the Reading Lead, and the staff team to the children. Pupils are proud of their library and talk positively about how the books are organised.*

*Pupils across the school can talk confidently about their learning in Mathematics and demonstrate perseverance in their learning.*

*Thank you to you all for the welcome and smiling faces. Thank you to the leaders who worked so closely with us in such an open and honest way. You are all doing a brilliant job and should be very proud. St Barnabas is a special school rooted in inclusive practice and its community. As a school, you have many strengths to offer to others in our Trust. Well done, and thank you. Keep letting your light shine*

### Play your part in keeping the area outside our school safe

During last year a total of 149 vehicles received a fixed penalty charge for parking or stopping outside South Glos schools illegally, 28 of these were during Term 1. Park Legal will be making regular appearances with foot patrols and camera cars this academic year to help ensure our community stays safer for all traveling to and from school.

### **The Highway code states:**

#### **Rule 238**

You **MUST NOT** wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation shown on nearby time plates (or zone entry signs if in a Controlled Parking Zone) You **MUST NOT** wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping.





## Barnabas Birthday Books

**Celebrate your birthday by giving back to the library!**

Join our new St Barnabas tradition by donating a new book to the library on your birthday.

You can present your book by reading the title aloud to the school in Praise Assembly.



A name plate will be added to each book to acknowledge the person who donated it and which birthday they are celebrating.

This book was donated by

\_\_\_\_\_ on their \_\_\_\_ birthday!



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our-curriculum/reading/](http://www.stbarnabasprimaryschool.co.uk/our-curriculum/reading/)

