



The PTA are a small but dedicated group that consistently fundraise across the school year. School finances are suffering from the same cost of living crisis as our families.

Without the support and funding of the team we would not be able to afford the school improvements that the children benefit from.

As a team the PTA are in desperate need of help, support, volunteers and ideas.

Without more volunteers we will not be able to run larger events and then the children will not enjoy the extra curricular events.

If you can help in any way please contact the team via Facebook.

## The Value of Perseverance



## Parent Council

Thank you to everyone who responded to our questions about vision and values last term.

Our vision ***"Let Your Light Shine"*** is a Bible quote from Matthew 5 14-16 and was most valued by the parents who responded.

The Parent Council shared some good ideas and suggestions to help us support parents to understand what our values look like in day to day school life.

We will continue to discuss and re-evaluate our values and vision over the coming months.

# Courageous Advocacy

***"A courageous advocate is someone who supports, champions and speaks up for a cause that is important and meaningful to them. Courage is needed to persevere and stand up for something or someone you believe in, to make a difference."***



As part of our Religion and World Views learning each class will be sharing stories of their courageous advocacy.

Well done to Phoenix class (Y2) who donated filled show boxes to a homeless charity for Christmas.

# St Barnabas Bulletin

*Aspire, Believe—Together Achieve*

## Diary dates

**Term 3 starts**

**Wednesday 3rd January 2024**

Fit 4 Life—one year group each  
Friday

12th Jan—Y4 swimming (every  
Friday—for 4 weeks)

17th Jan—Y6 to Kingswood  
Heritage museum

19th Jan—Parent council

8th Feb—Whole school to  
church

9th Feb—Learner of the Term

9th Feb—End of Term 3

**Term 4 starts**

**19th February**

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

## INSET DAYS 2023/24

**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/](https://www.stbarnabasprimaryschool.co.uk/)



## **Notice of proposed changes to the Leaf Academy Trust (Leaf) Admissions Arrangements for the academic year 2025/2026**

The following schools are now part of Leaf:

Blackhorse Primary School  
Bowsland Green Primary School  
Cadbury Heath Primary School  
Emersons Green Primary School  
Hanham Abbots Junior School  
Kings' Forest Primary School  
Mangotsfield Primary Church of England School  
Samuel White's Infant School  
Stanbridge Primary School  
Staple Hill Primary School  
St Barnabas Church of England Primary School  
The Tynings Primary School  
Wheatfield Primary School

Leaf is consulting on its proposed admission arrangements for the academic year 2025/26. The consultation will be open from 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 to 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Full draft arrangements for all schools can be read at [www.leaftrust.co.uk](http://www.leaftrust.co.uk) Paper copies are also available on request.

Leaf proposes to adopt the existing admission arrangements, previously determined by South Gloucestershire County Council, save for a reduction in Published Admission Number (PAN) at The Tynings Primary School, where it is proposed to reduce the PAN from 60 to either 45 or 30. A smaller intake will more accurately reflect the number of applications each year, and will permit all classes to be accommodated in the main school building.

Feedback, comments, queries and requests for copies of the policy should be addressed to:

Clare Blake – clerk to the board  
[Clare.blake@leaftrust.co.uk](mailto:Clare.blake@leaftrust.co.uk)  
The Leaf Trust



## 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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