St. Bartholomew's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS,

Next Friday 16th October, we will hold an Autumn themed own clothes day for our Harvest collection. We are asking for donations of items for the Swanley Community Cupboard who help those in need in our local community and who will come to our Harvest Festival to tell the children what they do. The items they most need can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Thank you for your generosity.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

MRS MCRAE



ATTENDANCE

Well done to St Clare's who won the class Attendance Ted and St Paul's who won Punctuality Pup this week.

CLASS	%
St Bernadette	93.6 %
St Clare	99.6 %
St Peter	98.7 %
St Paul	99.3 %
St George	95.7 %
St Martin	96.0 %
St Josephine	97.2 %
St Theresa	98.1 %
St Andrew	96.1 %
St Patrick	95.8 %
St David	96.3 %



Congratulations! Corner

HEADTEACHER'S CERTIFICATES

- Skylar in St Martin for writing a fantastic poem about space
- Albert in St Peter for excellent homework about King Alfred
- Vinnie in St Peter for making an amazing robot
- Chloe, Sarah, Isabella, Kyla, Rachel and Tobi in St David for fabulous free verse poetry
- Dominic in St Theresa for tidying up the school without being asked

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

CLASS	PUPIL
St Bernadette	Jenae
St Clare	Nelly-Kate
St Peter	Connor
St Paul	Maisie
George	Teddy





POETRY COMPETITION

I set a competition for children in Y6 to write a Harvest gratitude poem to read at our Harvest festival. Many children took part and the quality of work was excellent.

The winners are:



Jake
Tobi
Avelin
Sophie
Kyla-Shae
Kayden



CST CUP

KS1:

Darcie is always kind, considerate and caring towards everyone. She consistently shows kindness to her classmates and is always willing to help others. Darcie is polite and respectful to everyone she meets and makes sure that everyone feels included and valued

KS2:

Diepriye is a hardworking and kind member of our class. His warm smile brings joy to our classroom, and he always strives to do his best while supporting others. He shows Solidarity and understands the importance of working together for the Common Good. Well done, Diepriye!

OUR LADY OF ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

During Monday's assembly, we spoke about how October is the month of Mary and that Mary is the Mother of All Nations and is represented differently in different countries. I asked the children what they thought Our Lady of St Bartholomew's might look like and here are some beautiful responses from Isabela, Avelin, Julia, Olivia, Takshvi and Siya.











WATER BOTTLES

Another reminder that children are strictly only allowed to bring water in their water bottles. No other drink is permitted.



MOVIE NIGHT

The PTA are hosting Movie Afternoon / Night on Monday 19th October. If you would like your child to attend please make payment via the school shop in Arbor or send the correct money in cash secured in a named envelope to the office.



ACADEMIC REVIEW DAY

Academic Review Day will take place on **Friday 23rd October between 08:30– 15:00** Appointments will be 10 minutes per child, and are bookable in advance.

To book your appointment please click on the Guardian Consultations via the Arbor app. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.



NEXT WEEK

OCTOBER	
Tuesday 13th	• St Peter Class Trip • St Theresa Swimming
Thursday 15th	• 11+ Kent Test Results published to parents • EYFS Phonics Coffee Morning **09:15** • KS1 Children's Liturgy in church **10am** • Prospective Parent Tour **2pm**
Friday 16th	• NHS Flu Vaccinations • Prayers with parents **08:45** all welcome • **Autumn Themed Own Clothes Day in exchange for Harvest Festival goods**

WE SERVE THE LORD WITH JOY AS ONE SCHOOL ONE FAMILY

Harevst Festival 2026

THIS HARVEST FESTIVAL WE ARE COLLECTING FOR THE SWANLEY COMMUNITY CUPBOARD WHO HAVE SUGGESTED THESE ITEMS TO DONATE.

SUGGESTED ITEMS TO DONATE















Cereal
Baked Beans
Pasta & Pasta Sauce
Crisps
Biscuits
Coffee
Tea Bags
Chocolate
Sugar
Squash
Washing Powder
Kitchen Spray
Cleaning Products
Washing Up Liquid
Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
Deodorant
Shampoo & Conditioner
Shower Gel & Soap
Toilet Roll & Kitchen Towel

Tinned Items:
Meatballs
Hotdogs
Chilli
Curry
Pies
Fish - Tuna / Salmon
Ham
Potatoes / Mash
Vegetables