



BARNABAS NEWS

7TH FEBRUARY 2020 WEEK 5

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Our aim ...

To be kind and learn as much as you can.

DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

A busy week with children really making progress with their learning. It's lovely to see them really getting to grips with their writing in English lessons including lots of writing using the Chrome books as their use becomes embedded in school practice.

All over school times table questions and answers are appearing and children are talking about their times table practice. This is ready for our time table challenge day next Wednesday. So many more children now know them all.

This Wednesday we had a visit from the School Mental Health Team. They led an assembly on keeping healthy mentally. We talked about some of the strategies we can all use to feel better from a mental health perspective. An interesting clip you may wish to watch is at:
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=nCrjevx3-Js>

We've also had lots of staff training going on this week with the English Co-ordinator meeting, a session to plan for the transition from Reception to year 1, ELSA training (for emotional literacy) and a visit and tour around the school for some NQTs from our city partnership. All these activities help to build on our staff expertise and enable us to share best practice.

Best wishes

Karen Donaghey

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WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLIES REMINDER	
12 th February	Maths
26 th February	Ash Wednesday Church
4 th March	Year 3
11 th March	Year 4
18 th March	Year 5
25 th March	Year 6 Yenworthy
1 st April	Easter

ACTION PLEASE

Message from PTA next week's film night is postponed. New date to follow.

CLUBS

if children are booked into ASC or Speciality clubs, please email the office if they are not attending the club that day so that we are not searching for children after school who should be in clubs but have gone home with parents. Teachers don't always know that parents have booked them into clubs so it's the parent's responsibility.

No Latin Club next week as year 5 are out

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL MATHS ASSEMBLY WEDNESDAY 12.2.20
On Wednesday 12th February we will have been in school for 100 days and will celebrate with a maths day. This will feature a maths assembly, researching mathematicians and times table challenge sessions for Years 1-6. On that day we would like the children to bring in 100 of something either in a jar or they can take a used plastic wallet from the foyer that we need to recycle. The objects could be pennies, cheerios, paperclips, marbles etc. The more original the better! We will then make a display to show what 100 looks like.

HOMEWORK FOR HALF TERM

Everyone to write a story over half term to enter this amazing competition. Further information can be found at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4n1Hg12GFCWDmCtq9Sx5kKB/500-words-2020>
Children will work on editing their stories in school after the holiday. Please ask them to type their stories.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

A reminder that optional activities for the older children at ASC are:

Monday: arts and craft

Tuesday: science

Wednesday: cooking

Thursday: construction – usually den building outside when fine
Friday: film

Younger children have free play.

We have a long term plan for more outside play - details to follow.

WE ARE A NUT, SEED AND KIWI FREE SCHOOL. Please check cereal bars and snacks and do not send products such as Nutella to school. This includes pine nuts, humus and tahini.

Children's health

If there are changes to your child's health please let us know so we can care for them appropriately.