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Our aim ... To be kind and learn as much as you can.

## DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

A very exciting week for Year 6 who at the time of writing are on their way back from Yenworthy. This week they have sand surfed, walked along a waterfall, had a beach fire, completed lots of team building exercises, produced some beach art and much more. They have had a great week and we are very grateful to Mrs Pettitt, Mrs Watson and Miss Thompson for giving up their week to take and care for them.

Today Year 3's class assembly was a great success and was conducted entirely in French. Quite an achievement considering how many children already speak two or three languages.

Otherwise this week has been assessment week. This happens once each term and allows us to measure progress. Parent meetings will take place during the last week of term and we look forward to sharing how your children are doing. Sign-up sheets will go up the week before.

We are very fortunate at St Barnabas Primary to receive so much support from the local community. Every day we have volunteers in school who read with the children, lead maths sessions, provide resources or share their expertise in class and in assemblies. We'd like to say a huge thank you to the community for their invaluable and much appreciated support.

Best wishes

Karen Donaghey  
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WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLIES REMINDER	
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Yenworthy
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter in school

### St Barnabas Bookshop

Does your child have pocket money?  
On Fridays from 6<sup>th</sup> March we will be running a second hand bookshop after school to help raise money towards developing our outside space. Books will cost £1/£2 and will include a variety of titles that have been donated to the school. If you have books no longer needed at home, we would be very grateful for any donations.

Thank you.

## ACTION PLEASE

### CORONAVIRUS

We continue to follow government/NHS guidelines which are updated regularly. Please look out for Parentmails. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Booklist

Last week we shared a list of 100 books to read before you leave primary school. This was a list from the Times Educational Supplement and is used by lots of schools. However, it started us thinking about our diverse and interesting library of books and that perhaps we should have a St Barnabas list of books to read before you leave primary school. More details to follow but please start to think of ideas, any suggestions please email me.

### Lateness

Lateness is slowly improving. Thank you, it's so much better for the children and the office if the day can start on time and without unnecessary interruptions. The gates open at 8.30am ready for the school opening at 8.45am. Gates are locked for safety at 8.55am.

### Please collect

Year 2 are studying plants this term. If you shop at M & S they have a free seed promotion running and we would be very grateful for any spare free seeds.

See below for further information.

[https://www.marksandspencer.com/c/food-to-order/little-garden?extid=em\\_sfnl\\_200226\\_f\\_LM1&ep\\_mid=8498874&ep\\_rid=611876633200226.8498874](https://www.marksandspencer.com/c/food-to-order/little-garden?extid=em_sfnl_200226_f_LM1&ep_mid=8498874&ep_rid=611876633200226.8498874)

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.

### INSET DAYS 20/21

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Thursday 22nd October

Friday 23rd October

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July