

# ST BARNABAS PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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## DEAR FAMILIES

Lots of exciting things have happened in school this week. Year 6 had a great visit to Bounce in Bicester to celebrate the end of SATS and Year 2 delivered a fantastic assembly about plants that included music, art, science and English. It has been so lovely to have parents in school and we hope lots of families will join us on Friday for our open classrooms on Jubilee Day. It will be great fun and we look forward to sharing our portraits of the Queen. We also have the cake sale, ice cream stall and book sale after school. Please bring donations to the foyer on Friday morning. Thank you.

We are very excited to have many more trips and events coming up. Years 1 and 6 are off to Hill End on Thursday. Please look out for emails and permission requests. We are so pleased to be able to broaden our children's experiences again.

We break up for half term on Friday, after the Jubilee Day and we hope everyone has a good break.

Best wishes  
Karen Donaghey  
Headteacher

## IMPORTANT-Late Children

**School opens at 8.45 am** and registers are taken at 8.55 am. If your child arrives after this time, they will have missed the register and are recorded as late. If they are late please ensure that your child enters via the office where their attendance will be registered and any dinner orders taken. Children who arrive on time receive almost an hour more education than children who are late. This adds up significantly over a term.

Thank You



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## RUN JERICO

It's been a long, two year wait, but Run Jericho is back and better than ever! The event sells out each year, so be sure to register as soon as possible! Click on the link at [www.runjericho.com](http://www.runjericho.com) for the 10k, 5k or children's 1 mile.

If you have any questions, please email us at [runjericho@gmail.com](mailto:runjericho@gmail.com).

*This incredible event raises a huge amount of money for the school.*

## EVENTS AND DATES

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

### St Barnabas Jubilee Day

Children can dress up as Kings or Queens for a parade to parents and carers at 2.30pm on the playground. After this please come and visit your child's classroom to see their portraits of the Queen.

A Jubilee Tea is available for School Lunches and there will be a cake and book sale at 2.30pm. Please bring donations to the entrance in the morning. Thank you

HALF TERM 30<sup>th</sup> May - 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June INSET DAY**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July JUBILEE HOLIDAY

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Term finishes Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

1.30pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July INSET DAY

Class Assemblies - THURSDAYS 9am

26<sup>th</sup> May Reception please enter via the  
hall doors in the KS1 playground.

16<sup>th</sup> June Year 3

## CHALLENGE AND LEARNING

**Year 1 phonics test June**

**Year 2 SATS May**

**Year 4 Times Tables June**

**Lots of useful information can be  
found at**

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-parents-need-know-about-year-1-phonics-screening-check>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/year-4-multiplication-tables-check-mtc-explained>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/search/results?keys=SATS>

## WE ARE A NUT, SEED AND KIWI FREE SCHOOL

Please help us protect our children with severe allergies by not sending these items to school. This includes many cereal bars, **Nutella**, tahini and peanut butter.

Thank you

## NEWS FROM THE CLASSES

**Nursery** we have been continuing to think about recycling and have planted sunflower seeds in recycled milk cartons. We are looking forward to watching them grow!

**Reception** have been thinking about how we can reuse or recycle materials and have used fabric scraps to make flags which we will use in our assembly (9.00 am) Thursday in the hall). The children have also made superhero masks which they cut out themselves and decorated. These are also part of the assembly story we will be acting out. Some children still find using scissors a challenge so this is something to encourage at home. We have been practising sentence writing, using spaces between words and correct letter formation. We have a book making trolley in class which the children have been using to make their own books. In maths, we have been using number tracks to count on to solve addition problems and have continued to work on number bonds using addition and subtraction to make a specific amount like 5 or 10. This has been a great challenge for creating depth in understanding as the children have thought of ideas from  $5+5=10$  to  $100-95=5$ . Fantastic work this week!

**Year 1** have been finding a half of a whole. They have found different ways of dividing shapes in two and matched halves to make wholes. In phonics they have been ordering words alphabetically and practising reading alien and English words in preparation for the screener (first week after half term). In topic they have been continuing to make paper crowns and learn about different species of bear. In PSHE they have focussed

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on the relationships we have with our families and friends. They have played a game called 'hedgehogs' which they love!

**Year 2** had a very busy week taking their SATs. They have all worked so hard and we are so proud of them. We also had time to learn about the Queen's platinum jubilee. Children have been creating crowns and using different techniques to create beautiful portraits of the Queen.

**Year 3** In topic, we have been learning about the history of the Ancient Olympics and which events took place. In English, we started writing our own information leaflets on the Olympics, focusing on using subheadings and technical language. In maths, we have been enjoying learning roman numerals and are looking forward to telling the time next using these numerals.

**Year 4** have been reading the tale of Ram and Sita this week, which contains many twists and turns. It is one of the crucial sagas of Hinduism but is also a really great story. Next week, they will be rewriting a section of the story. The class has also been practising their use of times tables knowledge and fact families to solve division problems.

**Year 5** have been using book creator to write our mountain stories. We have enjoyed spending time creating our own pictures of the queen using pastels and have also been improving our clic, learn its& safes.

**Year 6** started a new class book: Foodland by Marcus Sedgwick. They

began by discussing a picture labelled "before" and listening to the opening paragraph. Then they discussed what the book was about and wrote predictions. After reading the first chapter, Year 6 thought about what they like and disliked about the chapter, any questions that they had and any patterns in the text. There was some great discussion in the classroom.

In maths, Year 6 have started to look at investigations, as well as practicing the wealth of skills they have learnt in the run up to SATs.

Year 6 are celebrated the end of SATs with a well-deserved trip to Bicester trampoline park.

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## Extended Schools

Mobile no. **07599 930486** 3 pm – 5.30 pm.

### Activity Clubs

**KS2 Cooking** – making sweet and sour tofu

**Seasonal Sport** – Cricket

**Football** – putting their skills into action

**KS1 Cooking** – making strawberry muffins

**Arts & Crafts** – making Rangel Patterns with hama beads

**Fun Games** – fun games were enjoyed by all

**Book Club** – reading Danger at Dead Man's Pass and creating explosions

**Spanish Club** – Mascotas (pets)

**Drawing Club** – learning to draw hands

**Breakfast Club** and the main **After School Club** have been enjoying playing outside and have been creating some wonderful pictures.

Lunchtime Clubs were enjoyed by lots of children. There are still a few spaces for cricket and tennis.

### **Recycle Your Ink Cartridges and Help Support St Barnabas' Church of England Aided Primary School**

Did you know that you can help us raise funds simply by recycling your ink cartridges via our Recycle4Charity programme?

For each ink cartridge recycled via the programme we will receive up to £2 donation.

How it works:

To send your cartridges or start collecting for us click here

- <http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/Register/C125928>