

St Barnabas CE VC Primary School

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We Let Our Light Shine

February 2022

Dear St Barnabas Families,

It has been a challenging few weeks at school due to an increase in Covid cases and staff shortages and I'd like to thank you for your support during this time. As a school, we wish all students, staff and families who have been unwell a speedy recovery.

Please continue to complete lateral flow tests twice a week to help prevent the spread of the virus. If your child is in a class with a positive case, you will be asked to test for 7 days. Test kits can be ordered for free at: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Please keep your child at home and get them tested if they are unwell and are displaying Covid symptoms. We are continuing to minimise contact between classes and staff are wearing masks in communal areas to help keep our community safe.

Thank you to everyone who has been wearing their uniform. Please ensure your child wears their uniform each day and on PE days wears their school jumper with their PE kit.

There is one week left until half term and I'd like to wish you all a healthy and happy break when we get there. The last day of this term is Friday 18th February and the children will return on Monday 28th February.

Mrs Debbie Fisher, Headteacher

January 2021 Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to all these children who received a Headteacher award in January 2021.

LEO: Alysia, Lexi-Mae, Iklas, Yusra, Sundus, Kamal, Amiyah, Kymarnii-Rae, Khalifa and Tasnim.

TAURUS: Salma, Rukiya, Ezra, Mercedes, Sabir, Sajida, Razan, Malachi, Amira, Sozan and Isra.

ARIES: Masud, Shaketa, Mohammed, A'Nyla, Eloise, Orson and the whole of the class.

SCORPIUS: Rudy, Kai, Kaylagh, Aayah, Imaan, Abdallah, Faiz, Basma, Samia, Sihaam, Omar and the whole of the class.

Learning in Leo Class

This term, children in Leo class are exploring the enquiry question, "Where do I live?" We have enjoyed being geographers and learning how to use an atlas, globe, and a compass. We had so much fun going on a quest across the school grounds by decoding a series of maps to take us to our treasure in the library - a new story! Soon, children will begin to create their own maps of the schoolgrounds as well as soundscapes to accompany them.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

bristol.gov.uk/coronavirus

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If you develop one or more symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Get a test and self-isolate until you get your test result.

**Key dates in
Terms 3 and 4
2021-2022**



Friday 18th February: Last day of term 3
Monday 28th February: First day of term 4
Thursday 3rd March: World Book Day
Tuesday 8th March: Railway Safety Assembly#
Thursday 10th March: School photos.
Children must wear uniform.
Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th March: Day trips to Dean Field
Friday 25th March: INSET day (see below)
Tuesday 29th March: E-Safety workshops for families at 9:00 and 2:45. More information to follow.
Tuesday 5th April and Thursday 7th April: Parents Evening. More information to follow.
Friday 8th April: Last day of term 4
Monday 25th April: First day of term 5

Learning in Scorpius Class

Scorpius class have continued to learn more about how to stay healthy and how the major organs in our bodies work. The children have written explanation texts about how a healthy heart works, how our digestive organs absorb and transport water and nutrients around our body and began to learn about how to live a healthy life and why this is so important.

Learning in Taurus Class

Taurus Class have been looking at how to live a healthy life for their enquiry. We have been researching healthy food and why we need to have a healthy diet and have been exploring food chains. We prepared and cooked a healthy soup which we will be repeating for our families to taste. We also visited the local shop to purchase the ingredients we will need for this.



Learning in Aries Class



Aries have loved showcasing their art work this term to their families - we think you will agree that their work was outstanding and very meaningful too. If you didn't make it along then do check out our Instagram page where you will be able to see their wonderful pieces of art and how they made them. Aries class have also been really enjoying learning all about electricity. So far, we have been making predictions about whether or not circuits will work and thinking about why this is.

INSET Days

Please note that there is now an INSET day on Friday 25th March. This is instead of the INSET on Monday 6th June.