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St Bert's News

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20th May 2024

Family Worship

This week's Family Worship will be led by Christine Greeve.

It would be lovely to see as many parents/grandparents as possible join us for our family worship.

The children would love to have you present.

Celebrate and Praise

Please note that there will be no Celebrate and Praise this Friday due to Dads Reading Afternoon.

Walk to school week



This week is Walk to School week, we will be encouraging the children and parents to walk to school. The children will learn about the benefits of walking:

- Fresh air
- Exercise
- Ease parking congestion
- Social contact with parents/siblings
- Feeling of wellbeing
- Improves mood

You don't have to walk every day, but changing habits a few times a week is beneficial.

All children who take part will get a certificate for their efforts.

Outstanding balances

A reminder that we still have outstanding balances on the recent residential trips.

Uniform - Lost and Found

We seem to have accumulated a large amount of jumpers and cardigans. Over 50 items were placed in the playground last week in the hopes of finding their owners! None of these items were named!! PLEASE put names in labels as it makes it so much easier to return uniform to their owners. If you are missing any items, please go to the courtyard door after school (any day) and look in the red box labelled 'LOST PROPERTY'.

Drinks Bottles

As the weather is getting warmer your child might want to bring a drinks bottle which can be refilled in school. This bottle should be clearly named and contain WATER ONLY. We have noticed some children bringing in extremely large and expensive water bottles which are unsuitable for school. Some of these bottles are very heavy and if dropped could cause injuries. Please ensure water bottles are light and of a reasonable size. School cannot be responsible for loss or damage to expensive

items. Thank you for your support.

Dads' Reading Afternoon

This Friday afternoon we will be ending our term with 'Dads' Reading Afternoon'. This event celebrates the opportunity for any male role models (uncles, grandads, dads, big brothers etc) to read with their child/children. Statistics show that most reading is done by females, and this is an ideal opportunity for male role models to inspire their children. This event begins at 2.15pm in the school hall, don't miss out on this special opportunity to celebrate the joy of reading together.

Bring a book you would like to share or alternatively school have plenty!

Language Support

Help develop better early childhood language support for parents

Join a 2 hour evening research session on Weds 29th May at 6pm and receive a £30 gift voucher.

Are you the parent of a child 5 years or under? Speech and Language UK - a charity that supports children facing challenges with talking and understanding words by giving

them the skills they need to face the future with confidence - wants to learn from your experiences for a new project to support parents with information about early child language development.

Session Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday 29th May 2024
- **Time:** 6pm-8pm
- **Location:** Online via Google Meet (accessible via phone or computer)
- **Reimbursement:** All participants selected to take part in the session will receive a £30 One4All Gift voucher, which can be used at 100s of different retailers including Argos, Currys, Ikea and Nandos.

If you are interested in attending the session. please fill out this short form:
<https://forms.gle/ttWAwW1gPhBfC7Kb7>

Your insights will directly contribute to developing better support and information for parents about child language development.

Spaces are limited, so please complete the form above by midnight Tuesday 21st May. If you are selected to participate, you will be contacted by the research partners, Future Narratives Lab, by Thursday 23rd May.

Weather



Just a few summer weather reminders!

1. We really encourage children to wear shorts in summer. (no logos please).
2. Sun hats - please encourage your child to wear a sun hat to help keep your child's head cool.
3. The children are encouraged to drink plenty of water. They can bring in a water bottle which they can access throughout the day (named please).
4. It may be a good idea if you can put some sun tan lotion on the children in the morning so that they are protected during the day.

Building Work

Thank you to all parents for your support and patience whilst our building work project is being done. This project was funded by the Diocese specifically to develop the security of the school with regards to visitors entering the premises. Look out for updates as to how this is progressing on our Facebook page.

Clubs

A new email has been sent to Y3/4 parents for a further 5 week block of football sessions after half term.

Choir

Start date: Friday 26th April and finishing on Friday 12th July 2024.
3.25pm - 4.30pm
Email: helen.oneil@stbertelines.co.uk

Absence

Can we please remind parents that if your child is unable to attend school due to illness the following procedure should take place:

- School to be contacted on first day of absence

to provide a reason for non-attendance using our answerphone service for Attendance (select option 2) or alternatively via School Spider.

- Update the school on the third day of non-attendance if the absence is expected to continue.
- Lastly a letter explaining why your child has been absent from school.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday goes to the following children who celebrated their birthday this week:



Meiya Rose (11)
Ellie Lee (9)
Edie Reed (6)
Freddie Arbuckle (9)

Also, for those children who celebrate their birthdays over the half term:

Taylor McLean-Smith (6)
Sophia Hignett (9)
Alicja Pazdziorko (9)
Zara Farrington (8)
Esme Knowles (5)
Alfie Kyprian (5)
Zac Shaffi (9)
Isaac Egerton (11)
George Boyd-Mcdowell (5)

We hope you have a wonderful day.

Gymnastics

Two of our girls Harper and Miley are doing a sponsored walk to raise funds for the World Gymnastics Competition. There is a just giving page so if anyone would like to sponsor them it would be very much appreciated.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/wga->

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Encounter Ministries

One of our builders, Kevin and his family and friends, volunteer every Tuesday evening for 3 hours supporting homeless/vulnerable people in their local area. Last Tuesday they had over 57 people turned up. We were surprised to hear that quite a few women attend the centre. We asked Kevin how could our St Bert's family help? We are looking for donations to help support these women, ie

Sanitary products

Soap

Bubble Bath/Shower Gel

Body wipes

Socks

Please click on the link below to see how Encounter Ministries work.

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Free School Meals Vouchers

Food vouchers for one week only will be issued this week for those children who are entitled to Free School Meals (not Universal Free School Meals).

Wildlife Trust

One of our Year 3 girls has recently taken part in a Wildlife Trust video looking after our natural world. This video is lovely and well worth a look. Please click on the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53ngPjukCnM>

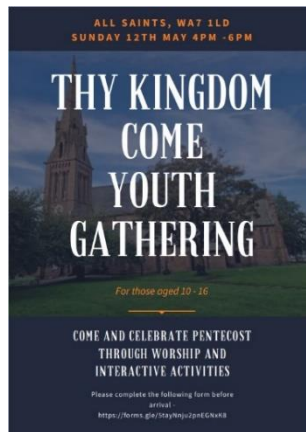
End of Half Term

This Friday is the end of half term. School will finish as normal at 3.20 pm.

School will reopen on Monday 10th June 2024.

We hope you have a wonderful two week break and look forward to welcoming you all back for the last half term of the academic year!

Youth Gathering



Quote of the Week



Prayers

Our prayers and thoughts this week are for all our St Bert's families hoping they have a wonderful, safe half term holiday. Also, special prayers for some of our families who are experiencing some difficulties. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. God Bless!

