

# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S NEWS

**23rd October 2019**

## **URGENT HALAL MEAL OPTION**

We are postponing serving a Halal option until further notice. We are currently exploring the possibilities with the local Imam from Armley Mosque and will keep you informed. We will continue to serve a vegetarian option.

## **Multicultural Evening**

This Thursday is multicultural evening. We hope to see many of you there. Please remember children must be accompanied by an adult and that includes children who are now in High School. We would like to thank all the parents who are once again supporting us and helping on the evening.



## **Health and Safety Reminder**

Please take care where you park outside school. You should not be parking on the kerbs and grass edges. We have a large number of children who walk to school and it is dangerous when they have to walk on the road because of cars.



We like to encourage children to cycle and scooter to school, it is very good for their health. However at home time we ask that they do not ride them until they are outside the school gates, thank you.

## **After School Club**

We now have a waiting list for after school club. Unfortunately we have no places currently but if any become available after half term we will contact you. If you want to go on the waiting list please ask at the office. Please also remember to let school know if you do not need any of the days you have booked, this will allow us to offer places to other children, thank you.

## **Electronic Payment System**

We are still working on introducing an electronic payment system for dinners, breakfast club, after school club and visits. Unfortunately this requires us to have some additional work on our computer system. Also for the system to work we need up to date contact details, emails and telephone numbers for everyone. The system will be in place by January 2020.

## **Contact Details**

You will shortly receive a form including all the contact details we have for your child. We would like you to check the details, amend them if necessary and return the form. By law we should have two current up to date contact details for every child, this is for safeguarding and to ensure we can contact you in an emergency. We appreciate your cooperation with this.

## **PSHE Lessons**

After half term, in our PSHE lessons, we will be discussing the NSPCC's Underwear Rule. This is designed to teach pupils how to stay safe from abuse without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. In the lesson, children will learn about the 'PANTS' acrostic, which stands for:

- Privates are private
- Always remember your body belongs to you
- No means no
- Talk about secrets that upset you
- Speak up, someone can help

The lesson will be delivered in a way that's fully age appropriate. More information about the Underwear Rule, including a short film and a parent guide can be found at [nspcc.org.uk/underwear rule](http://nspcc.org.uk/underwear-rule)

## **Head Teacher Award**

Well done to this week's winners:

Reception- Charis  
Year 3 Alexandra

Year 1- Warren  
Year 4 – Lisa

Year 2- Ben  
Year 6- Sarah

### **Nursery Miss Harvey**

In Nursery we have been listening to and trying food from other countries. We made hummus which received mixed reviews, we used chopsticks to lift Quavers to our mouths-very successful and pasta and noodles with different sauces- cheese and tomato and for the less adventurous plain! Photos are on the website for you to share our experiences.

### **Reception- Mrs Ingleson**

As part of multicultural week Reception have been learning all about India. We have enjoyed making rangoli patterns, creating mehndi designs for our stall and tasting some Indian foods! We are looking forward to a visit from a storyteller on Thursday.

Stars of the week:

Inaaya J

Aalia

Betty H

### **Year 1- Miss Machin**

In Year 1 this week we have been enjoying multicultural week. We had a great time watching the production Skylar's Missing Note. We had a visit from a story teller and we learnt about Divali.

Stars of the week:

Miyah

Ibrahim

Eesa

### **Year 2- Miss Ross**

This week we will be learning about America during multicultural week. We learn about life in America, American animals, famous landmarks and famous American people. Over the last two weeks we have learnt about instructional texts in English. This week we will write our own instructions about how to make a pizza. You could revisit this task at home, using the instructions your child has written to make your very own delicious pizza together at home!

Stars of the week:

Harry

Hatija

Jenson

### **Year 3 –Mrs Smith**

This week in Year 3 we have been finding out about Jessy Owens and Muhammad Ali and all their great achievements.

Stars of the week:

Alesha

Aquil

Logan

### **Year 4- Mr Waters**

This week, Year 4 have been looking at two famous Victorians for black history month. We have been looking at Mary Seacole and Pablo Fanque and how they changed people's views on equality. All classes have now been to Armley Mills. We all had a fantastic time. You can see what fun we had on the Year 4 page on the website!

Stars of the week:

Shannon

Brooklyn

### **Year 5- Mr Needham**

**Lessons:** In Geography, children enjoyed learning about features of icebergs. Children also completed debating who was to blame for the sinking of the Titanic.

**Planners:** Children need to remember to have their planners signed over the weekend ready to be checked by their teachers on Monday.

Stars of the week:

Shannon

Logan

Millie

### **Year 6- Mr Needham**

**Lessons:** Children have enjoyed completing art work celebrating the schools diversity and learning about the culture in Nigeria.

**Planners:** Children need to remember to have their planners signed over the weekend ready to be checked by their teachers on Monday.

**High School:** The deadline for High School applications is the 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please see Mr Needham if you have any questions regarding the completion of forms online.

Stars of the week:

Missia

Carl

Sumaya

Vanessa

### **Dates this Half Term**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Multicultural Evening 4.30pm-6.30pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Break up for one week

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Return to school