

St Barnabas and St Paul's CE Primary School Newsletter



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At St Barnabas and St Paul's Church of England Primary School, our vision is that we become the best for God that we can be, in all we do, whilst demonstrating Christian values which are pertinent to all faiths.

Our vision is based on *Colossians 3:23*, 'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for people.'

Leadership Welcome

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin by highlighting how positive it has been to see such strong communication between parents and teachers through ClassDojo. Your messages, feedback and engagement help us work together effectively to support your child's learning and wellbeing—thank you for your continued partnership.

This half term, our school corridors have been filled with the wonderful aromas of cooking and baking from our after-school clubs. It has been a pleasure to see children and staff spending valuable time together outside the classroom, exploring new skills and learning in a different context. We are very fortunate to be able to offer such enriching opportunities beyond the school day.

Attendance remains a key priority for us all. As the mantra goes, "Attendance is everyone's responsibility," and when attendance is strong, we see a significant positive impact on children's learning journeys. We are currently slightly above our target compared to this time last year, which shows that, as a school community, we are moving in the right direction. Let's continue to finish the school year well above our school target.

Finally, we took part in the NSPCC Number Day today, which helps to raise awareness of the vital work the charity does to keep children safe. The day also gives us a great opportunity to celebrate maths and remind pupils that it is everywhere around us — in everyday life, problem-solving and decision-making — and that it is a skill they will use for the rest of their lives. Do you know where you have used maths today?

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr Rawat (Acting Assistant Headteacher)



Pupils of the Week

	Star Pupil	Christian Value	Manners Matter
RB	Aqsa H	Zakariya K	M.Zaydaan R
RP	Aisha O	Abdul-Rahman L	Umme Hani A
1B	Khadija E	Thenuli U	Hafsah A
1P	Jessam A	Zayd C	Vincent H
2B	M.Ali	Meerab R	Sami A
2P	Amelia P	Subhan R	Amaan Y
3B	Aneeq I	Meer O	Aafia H
3P	Dorian C	Musa	Shifa H
4B	Asma H	Ibrahim R	M.Yusuf
4P	Abdul-Hadi S	Theo K M	Ahmed B
5B	Aasim P	Zarrar Y	Adam A
5P	Owais A	Ayeza M	M.Hashim W
6B	Jamaal A	Rakiyya K	Sebastian O
6P	Alex Z	Isshaaq A	Madiha N



Times Table Rockstar
Champion:



Attendance

Be an attendance hero- Here, Ready, On time, Every day!

Class	Percentage
RB	99.8%
RP	88.7%
1B	92.4%
1P	96%
2B	99%
2P	97.7%
3B	100%
3P	97.9%
4B	97.7%
4P	99.3%
5B	98.7%
5P	94.3%
6B	96%
6P	99.3%

Our whole school
target is 96%

Has your class met
the target this week?

Diary dates:

Date	Event	Who
Wb 9 th Feb	Children's Mental health week	All school
Weds 11 th – 13 th	Robinwood	6P
Friday 13 th Feb	School closes for half term at 3pm	All school

Year Group News - Year 2

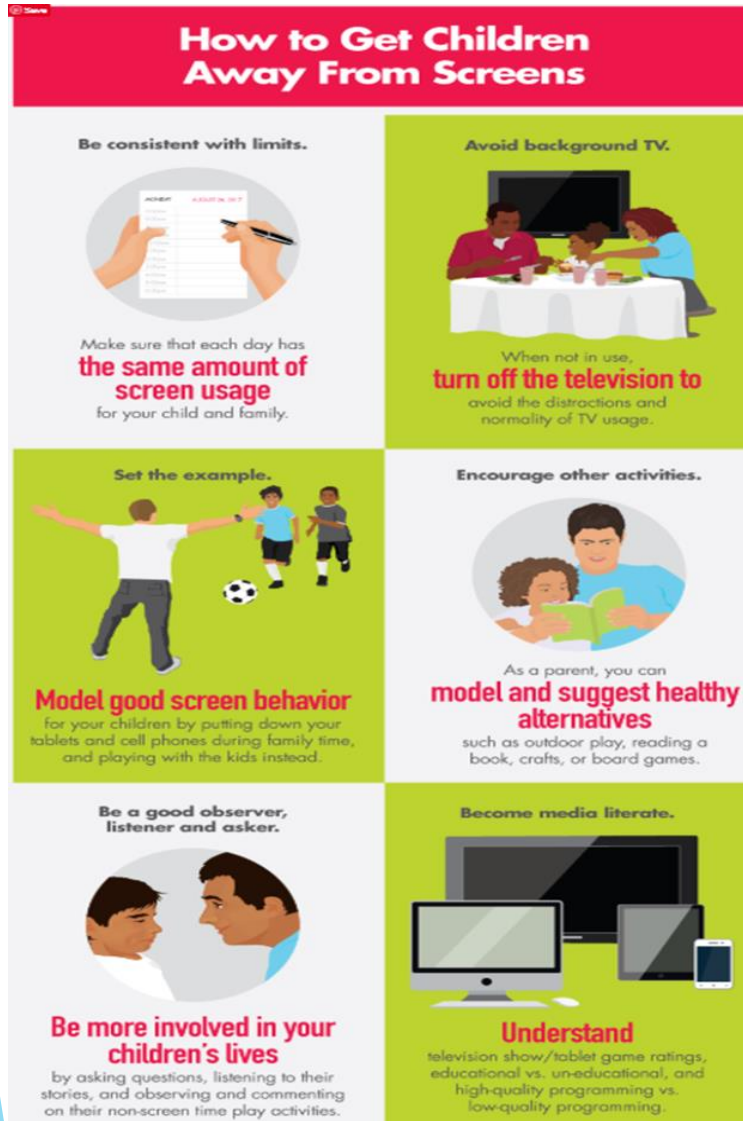
Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this week across all subjects.

In English, the children have been writing their independent pieces based on *The Dragon Machine*. They showed great focus and creativity, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence growing in their writing.

In Geography, we carried out fieldwork in our local area, exploring different habitats. The children collected data using a tally chart and then used their maths skills to present their findings as a bar chart.

In Art, we brought together all the skills we have been developing to create our final piece. The children worked very carefully to create texture in their collage artwork of a bridge.

E Safety Tip



The negative impact of screen time usage on children is a growing concern, with evidence suggesting that excessive screen time can lead to various health and behavioural issues. Here are some key points regarding the negative impacts of screen time on children:

Emotional and Behavioural Problems: Increased screen time is associated with emotional and behavioural problems, such as aggression, anxiety, and low self-confidence. Children who experience these problems often turn to screens as a coping mechanism.

Developmental Concerns: Screen time can negatively affect children's development, particularly in areas like language acquisition, cognitive development, and socio-emotional health. Excessive screen time is linked to behavioural problems and delayed milestones, especially in children with special needs.



Prayer for Thankfulness



Our theme for this week is: Be thankful for what we have, based on the scripture “Be content with what you have.” Hebrews 13:5

Dear God,

We thank you for every blessing You bring. Help us to be thankful for everything we have, and try not to take things for granted. Help us to trust in You and the plan that you have for us.

Amen