

St Barnabas and St Paul's CE Primary School Newsletter



Friday 5th December 2025

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,

What an incredibly busy but equally exciting week we have had. Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Market, it was great to see so many parents having a wonderful time joining in with their children and supporting the school. It was hugely successful and raised much needed funds for our school and Year 6.

We are very proud to announce that the school has been chosen as one of the DfE's new Attendance and Behaviour Hubs.

Click the link the Lancashire Telegraph link to find out more: <https://tinyurl.com/avpemnsy>

As always attendance is always top priority at our school, if your child is in school all next week they will enter the draw to win an iPad! Wow!

Finally, next week is gearing up to be very exciting with visits to St Luke's Church and Christmas performances, there are still a few tickets left for the Christmas Disco, please go to the school office to purchase yours.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Rawat (Acting Assistant Head)



Pupils of the Week

	Star Pupil	Christian Value	Manners Matter
RB	Ayaan A	Daniyal K	Ali Waris H
RP	Ziyan I	Hoorain J	Abdul-Rahman L
1B	Layla A	Hooriya H	Uzair A
1P	Yusef S	Jessam A	M.Aahil S
2B	Zahrah	Sami A	Ted G
2P	Yahya I	Ayesha A	M.Rohan N
3B	Ayaan S	Ayaat A	Eshal S
3P	Mesam N	Jessica K	Ivannah G
4B	Ruqyah S	Umama R	Mohammad R
4P	Yusuf K	Amirali K	Aaliyan K
5B	Adam A	Mustafa P	Natalie M
5P	Iqra J	Safiyyah H	Ianis T
6B	Rawin A	Wlat I	Khadija G
6P	Khadijah N	Jannat H	Ayaan S



Times Table Rockstar
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Attendance

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

Our whole school target is 96%

Has your class met the target this week?

Class	Percentage
RB	93.3%
RP	88%
1B	96.7%
1P	88%
2B	97%
2P	98%
3B	90%
3P	92.8%
4B	95.3%
4P	94.7%
5B	99%
5P	94.7%
6B	99%
6P	97.7%



Diary dates:

December:

- ▶ 8th EYFS/Y1/Y2 Christmas Kids' Party 3.00pm till 4.00pm
- ▶ 8th Carol Service at St Luke's Church at 9am (Y5 and 6 parents invited)
- ▶ 9th Y2,3 and 4 Christmas Performance of Through the Decades - 9:15am and 1:30pm performances
- ▶ 9th Y5/Y6 Christmas Kids' Party 3.00pm till 4.00pm
- ▶ 11th Y3/Y4 Christmas Kids' Party 3.00pm till 4.00pm
- ▶ 16th Reception and Y1 Nativity—9:15am and 1:30pm performances
- ▶ 17th Christmas lunch
- ▶ 18th Christmas parties—party clothes can be worn all day
- ▶ 19th School closes for Christmas at 1:15pm

- Tickets will need to be purchased for both the Nativity and Christmas through the Decades performances. There will be a small charge of 50p per ticket which will initially be restricted to two tickets per family.
- w.b. 15th December, children can wear their Christmas jumpers all week instead of their school jumper.

Year Group News

Year 1 News – A Wonderful Week at School!

What a fantastic week we've had in Year 1! Our classrooms have been buzzing with learning, laughter and lots of festive fun. The children have been busy decorating our classrooms beautifully and their enthusiasm has really brought the magic of Christmas to life.

A huge *thank you* to everyone involved in making our Christmas Markets such a great success—we had an incredible day full of joy, creativity and community spirit. The children have also been working hard practising their nativity and we can't wait for you to see their amazing efforts!

As we head into another fun-filled week, we'd like to give a gentle **attendance push**: every day truly counts! With so many exciting activities planned, we'd love to see all children in school, on time, ready to enjoy every moment of learning and festivities.

With 2025 drawing to a close, we are incredibly proud of the progress the children have made so far in Year 1. Their hard work, resilience and growing confidence shine through every day. We are all looking forward to an even brighter and more exciting new year ahead!

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Patel & Miss Momoniat ✨

E Safety Tip

Here are common symptoms and signs parents may notice if a child is spending too much time on a device. These fall into behavioural, emotional and physical categories to make them easier to recognise.

1. Behavioural Signs

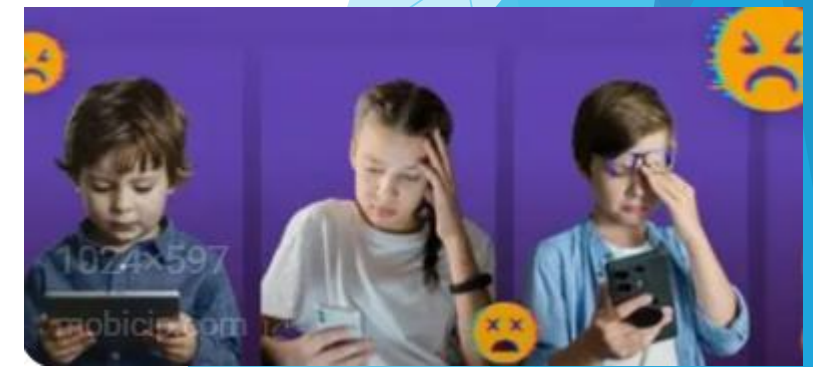
- Difficulty stopping device use or “meltdowns” when told to log off
- Sneaking devices or lying about time spent online
- Constantly thinking about the device or wanting to return to it
- Loss of interest in other activities they used to enjoy
- Impatience or irritability when not on the device

2. Emotional and Psychological Signs

- Increased moodiness, anger, or aggression
- Heightened anxiety or distress when separated from the device
- Withdrawal from family or avoiding in-person conversations
- Low tolerance for boredom (immediately turning to a screen)

3. Physical Signs

- Eye strain, rubbing eyes, headaches
- Poor posture (rounded shoulders, neck pain)
- Trouble sleeping or staying awake (especially if devices are used at night)
- Decreased physical activity
- Reduced fine motor/hand strength in younger children due to lack of varied play





Prayer for Hope



Our theme for this week is 'Hope in Waiting' to celebrate the week that Advent begins. *"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light."* — Isaiah 9:2

Loving God,

As we begin Advent, help us to find hope in our waiting.
When life feels dark, remind us of Your promised light.
Guide our steps, warm our hearts, and help us to bring hope to others.
Thank You for the light of Jesus, shining in our world.

Amen.