

St. Katharine's C.E. (V.A.) Primary School

Whole School Newsletter

24.10.2024





Worship

We welcomed Skylarks and Nightingales classes to whole school worship by sharing the Parable of the Lost Sheep and one of our sayings, 'Ewe Matter'. Year 6 children are paired with early years children, collect them from their classrooms and sit next to them in the hall for worship which they love. In the last few weeks, we have also re-visited the Parable of the Mustard Seed and thought about how small things grow and make a big difference. 6JH led a fantastic worship about Recycling and we have also had visits from Rev Mike Powis and Keith Jewell.



Democracy

Recently, Year 6 worked with artist Rebecca Strickson to make protest banners to enrich their learning about the value of peaceful protest within democracy. They shared their learning in whole school worship. This work was made possible as part of our partnership in Bournemouth Cultural Hub.



Secondary school applications

A reminder that the Secondary application closing date is 31st October 2024



Breakfast Club

A reminder that breakfast is served at breakfast club from 7.45am—8am. If you would like your child to have breakfast please book them on to the 7.45am—8.45am and arrive before 8am.



School Telephone

Please listen to the school telephone directing numbers when trying to contact the school office as these have recently been updated.



Are you entitled?

Free School Meals – is your child eligible?

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive), please apply online at: https://www.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/Schools-and-learning/Free-school-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx or email or post your completed form (you can obtain a copy of the form via our school website: https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals) to fsm@bcpcouncil.gov.uk; Free School Meals Team, Customer Services, BCP Council Civic Centre, Bournemouth, BH2 6DY. For more information on Free School Meals, such as eligibility and how the children and school benefit, please visit https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals. For other information, please contact the BCP at fsm@bcpcouncil.gov.uk or telephone: 01202 123222. If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive) and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school and you would be helping us, if you are eligible and register.



Nut Free School

We would like to remind parents and carers that we are a nut free school. We have a number of children who can have a very serious allergic reaction should they come into contact with nuts.





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Absences

If your child is absent due to illness please ring the school office and leave a voicemail on the absence line at 01202 426663 or email office@skps.email on each day of their absence. If your child is absent due to any other circumstances please email the school office with reasonable notice.



Hot School Meals

Please remember to order your hot school meal by 12.00pm (midday) the day before the meal is required.

| 2024—2025 | |
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| <u>Autumn Term</u> | Monday 2nd September—Friday 20th December 2024 |
| Autumn Half Term | Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November 2024 |
| Inset Day | Monday 4th November 2024 |
| Year 1 Only Parents / Carers Evening | Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th November 2024 |
| FSK Family Fireworks | Thursday 7th November 2024 |
| Parents / Carers Evening | Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th November 2024 |
| Year 3 & 4 Nativity 2.15pm | Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th December 2024 |
| Year 1 & 2 Nativity 2.15pm | Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th December 2024 |
| Christmas Pantomime & Christmas Lunch | Thursday 12th December 2024 |
| Instrumentalist performance for parents | Monday 16th December 2024 |
| Early Years Nativity 2.30pm | Tuesday 17th December 2024 |
| Year 5 & 6 Carol Service at St Katharine's Church | Wednesday 18th December 2024 |
| End of Term | Friday 20th December 2024 at 1.30pm |
| Spring Term | Monday 6th January—Friday 4th April 2025 |
| Spring Half Term | Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February 2025 |
| End of Term | Friday 4th April 2025 at 1.30pm |
| <u>Summer Term</u> | Tuesday 22nd April—Tuesday 22nd July 2025 |
| Bank Holiday | Monday 5th May 2025 |
| Summer Half Term | Monday 26th May—Friday 30th May 2025 |
| End of Term | Friday 18th July 2025 at 1.00pm |
| Inset Day | Monday 21st July 2025 |
| Inset Day | Tuesday 22nd July 2025 |