ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Headteacher's Note

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 22nd December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,



Christmas Parties

The children have all enjoyed Christmas parties this week with a special visit from Santa and his elf, who delivered a chocolate gift to each child.





Black Hat



Well done to all our black hat winners who won a prize during Monday's Black Hat Assembly.



Mass

On Thursday we had our first Mass with Fr Joseph. Thank you Fr Joseph for a wonderful end of Advent Mass, it was really very special.

Christmas Lunch



A huge thank you to Mrs Barker and her team who once again provided a delicious Christmas dinner for the whole school. At the end of the meal the children enjoyed a whole school dance to some of their favourite Christmas songs, once again magical memories were made.



Chocolate Raffle



Congratulations to all our chocolate raffle winners and thank you to everyone who bought tickets and made chocolate donations. Your generosity is extremely appreciated.

Christmas Break

We have now finished for the Christmas holidays. We hope you all have a wonderful time over the festive period and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 8th January.



VIPS THIS WEEK

Year R Stanley Nelson

Year 1 Harry Spence

Year 2 Isla Morley

Year 3 Harvey Banks

Year 4 Daisy Nuttall

Year 5 Dalton McGough

Year 6 Ayda-Rose Naylor



Year R Archie Philips

Year 1 Emilia Smith

Year 2 Freddie Brand

Year 3 Emily Wigley

Year 4 Miyla-Rose Barry

Year 5 Niall Duffy

Year 6 Alfie Brelsford

Mass times

Saturday 23rd December

5.30pm at St Mary Magdalene's

Sunday 24th December

9.30am at St Augustine's

11.00am at St John's

Christmas Masses are as follows:

Sunday 24th December

5.30pm at St Mary Magdalene's

6.30pm at St John's

Monday 25th December

10.00am at St Augustine's



TheSchoolApp

We are excited to announce that to improve communication with our entire school community, we have launched a smartphone app which is free to download and works with iPhones and Android phones. Please visit theschool.App for more information.

As a school, we believe it is essential to work in partnership with parents and carers. Part of this is achieved by ensuring that you receive clear, relevant and regular communications.

Benefits of the App for Parents and Carers

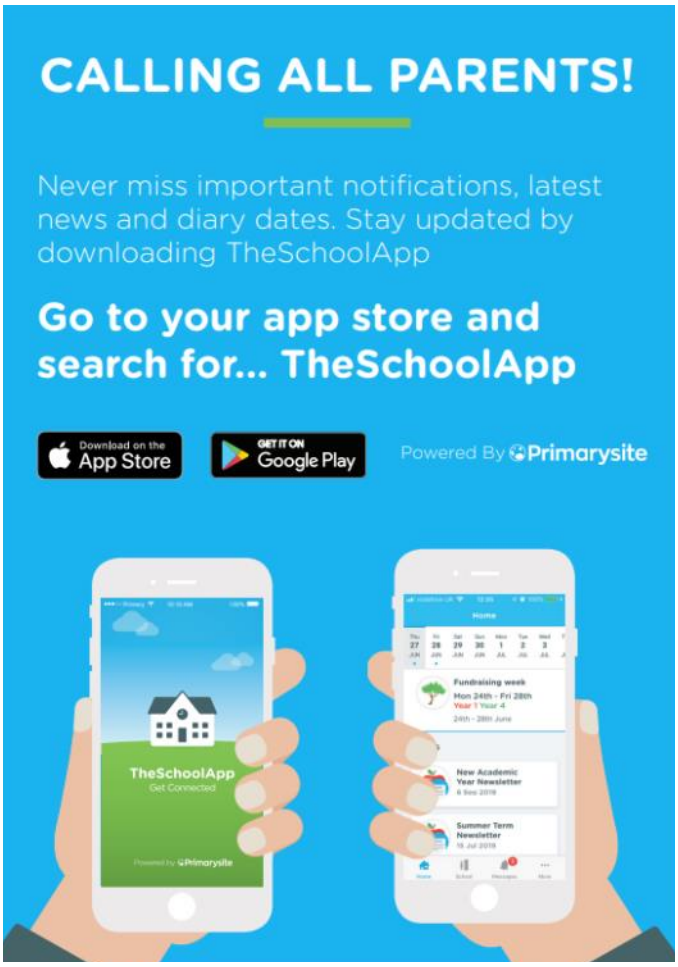
- The App is secure; you set up a PIN/ Touch ID to access on your phone
- Our school website powers the App. When you download it, you will have a single place to receive and access important messages, calendar events, newsletters, the latest news, and all information pages within the school website.
- You no longer need to go searching for letters at the bottom of school bags
- Messages appear in your inbox in the condition that they left school; you will receive secure individual and group messages as well as whole school notices
- We will be able to reduce costs as, unlike texts, messages we send are free of charge, and it will reduce our admin time by keeping all communication tools within one place.

To set up the App

- Download the App as a guest user by visiting your app store and searching for TheSchoolApp.
- In order to receive private messages from the school, you will firstly need to be given access by the school. Once you are given app access you will receive an invite via a text message to start the authentication process.

The text will be sent to you on the second week of the Christmas holidays (w/b 1st Jan 24)

To start you will need to type in your mobile number and tap the 'Check my number' button. If you have been granted access, this will automatically generate a text message to be sent, with a unique access code, which you will need to enter on the next screen.



If you need any assistance getting on the app, please do speak to a member of our school office who will be more than happy to help.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2024

If your child is due to start Primary School or Secondary School in September 2024, you can now apply online at the following link—

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/

For faith schools you will also need to fill in a supplementary faith form. These can be obtained from the school and must be returned to them.

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE—15th JANUARY 2024

SECONDAY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE—31st OCTOBER 2023

ST JOHN'S OPEN DAYS

If your child is starting Reception in September 2024, please join us for our last Wednesday tour round our school on;

Wednesday 10th January at 2.30pm

Booking is not required.

Children and Family Wellbeing Service Burnley January – March 2024 timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Infant Massage 1.00pm-2.00pm Tay Street Family Hub **Baby and You** 1.15pm-2.15pm Chai Centre **Mini Move and Groove** 2.15pm-3.15pm Chai Centre **CONNECT wellbeing drop-in with Lancashire Women** 2.30pm-4.00pm Tay Street Family Hub **Inside Out programme** To book your place call 01282 470707 3.30pm-5.00pm Burnley Wood Centre Course starts 8/1/2024 Chai Centre Course starts 19/2/2024 **Uniquorns S.E.N.D. session for 12-19+** aims to support young people who have any emotional, anxiety, learning, physical or other issues which are barriers to participation. 6.30pm-9.00pm Burnley Zone	**Chat Play Read** 9.30am-11.00am Tay Street Family Hub **Young Parents group for parents & parents-to-be** 10.00am-11.30am Burnley Zone **Hear Now – family support and advice drop-in.** 10.30am-12noon DownTown (Burnley town centre above New Look) **Triple P GROUP** To book your place call 01282 470707 1.00pm – 3.00pm Burnley Wood Centre **SGO Stay & Play session for families with an SGO in place** 1.00pm-2.30pm Tay Street Family Hub **HAPI 16/17 homeless drop- in for support and advice.** Call 01282 470891 for more information. **POWAR (SEND Youth Participation voice)** youth voice and influence group to provide a space for young people with SEND to raise issues of importance. 4.30pm-6.00pm for 8-15yr olds 6.30pm-8.00pm for 16-25yr olds Burnley Zone	**Infant Massage** 9.30am-10.30am Chai Centre **Supporting Families Employability drop-in** 9.30am-11.30am Tay Street Family Hub 1.00pm-2.30pm Burnley Wood Centre Household income, better off calculation, training and employment support **Commit to Quit** **Stop smoking drop-in.** 10.30am-3.30pm Burnley Wood Centre **Chat Play Read** 10.00am-11.30am Burnley Campus **One Stop Shop** Health Visitor Clinic, Stay and play and Hear Now Family Support drop-in. 1.00pm-3.00pm Tay Street Family Hub **Baby and You** 1.00-2.00pm Burnley Wood Centre **Mini Move and Groove** 2.00-3.00pm Burnley Wood Centre **Colourful Footsteps** 5-11 yrs. S.E.N.D group with parents 4.00pm-5.00pm Tay Street Family Hub **Youth Voice 12-19+ yrs** aims to support young people who feel they either have issues or want to seek support/talk about. 6.45pm-9.00pm Burnley Zone	**Development Matters** 9.30am-11.00am Chai Centre **Commit to Quit** **Stop smoking drop-in.** 10.30am-3.30pm Tay Street Family Hub **Strong Together** **Domestic abuse support drop-in** 10.00am-12noon Tay Street Family Hub **Hear Now** **Family support drop-in** 10.00am-12noon New Neighbours Together St John's Church Hall, off Ivy St, Burnley, BB10 1TD **Baby and You** 1.00pm-2.15pm Ightenhill Centre **Mini Move and Groove** 2.15pm-3.15pm Ightenhill Centre **SGO Peer Support session for families with an SGO in place** 3.30pm-5.00pm Burnley Wood Centre	**Baby and You** 9.30am-10.30am Tay Street Family Hub **Chat Play Read** 9.30am-11.00am Chai Centre **Mini Move and Groove** 10.30am-11.30am Tay Street Family Hub **Lactation Clinic** By appointment only 1.00-4.00pm Tay Street Family Hub **F.A.B. Infant Feeding Support group** 1.00-2.30pm Tay Street Family Hub **NEET Bus pass drop-in** is a session aimed at young people aged 16-18 not currently accessing education, training or employment who needs transport support to access these opportunities. 12noon – 3.00pm Burnley Zone **POUT (LGBTQ+) group 12-19+ is our LGBT+ youth group** for young people age 12-19+. to provide a lifeline for those who cannot access the support, understanding or information that they need at home or at school. 4.00-5.30pm Burnley Zone **Youth Can session 12-19+ years** is a session providing a safe space for young people to interact and engage in positive activities. 6.45-9.00pm Burnley Zone	**M.A.T.C.H.** Men and their children group for dads, grandads, and male carers with their children. Breakfast and activities suitable for ages 0-11 years old. First Saturday in every month. 10.00am-12noon Tay Street Family Hub **Trek Talk for men and their children.** 3rd Saturday of every month - starting January 20th 2024 (10-12 noon) Themed monthly walks; from Burnley Wood Centre 33 Brunswick Street, Burnley, BB11 3NY 1 hour walk followed by drinks and snacks in the centre **Children and Family Wellbeing Service** **Welcome Form** **Scan QR Code to Complete Electronic Welcome Form**

Tay Street Family Hub Tay Street, Burnley BB11 4BU	The Chai Centre Hurtley Street Burnley BB10 1BY	Burnley Wood Centre 33 Brunswick Street Burnley BB11 3NY	Whitegate Nursery Victoria Road Padiham BB12 8TG	Ightenhill Centre Oak Street Burnley BB12 6QZ	Burnley Zone Whittam Street Burnley BB11 1LW	Burnley Campus Library Barden Lane Burnley BB10 1JD















A little more about our groups 0-11yrs

Infant Massage is a 6-week baby massage course, aimed at parents with babies from 6weeks old to crawling.
Baby and You is a 6-week programme aimed at parents with 0-2yr olds, allowing you to meet other new parents and share your experiences of caring for your baby together.
Mini Move & Groove is a 6-week programme which follows Baby and You, open to all parents and mobile babies up to the age of 3yrs, promoting physical play and activities.
Development Matters is a 6-week programme allowing you and your child to socialise and play alongside other children and parents.
Chat, Play & Read is a session for children and parents, aimed at supporting your child's speech and language which is a crucial skill that supports all other areas of their learning and development.
Colourful Footsteps aims to provide an inclusive environment for parents and children with SEND, age 5-11 years old to engage in learning, development, and support.
CONNECT wellbeing session for parents, a time to focus on your wellbeing and meet other parents.
Triple P Group is an 8-week programme for parents of children up to 12 years. Developing strategies and promote child development and manage behaviour.
Triple P TEEN is delivered over eight weeks for parents of teenagers up to 16-years-old who are interested in learning a variety of parenting skills.
Inside Out is a course to support primary school age children to understand with their feelings and emotions and develop confidence and self-esteem.
F.A.B. Infant feeding drop-in to provide support around feeding your baby, bonding, and attachment.
M.A.T.C.H. is a fun session to engage male carers and their children. 1st Saturday each month.
One Stop Shop includes the Baby Clinic, a weekly session in partnership with our Health Visiting team to support early years families with CFW staff on hand to offer advice and signpost to support.
The Freedom Programme supports women affected by domestic abuse. For more information about Freedom please call 01282 470707.