

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

Whole School Newsletter

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Worship

Over the last two weeks, we have continued thinking about TriWonder. Mrs St John led a colourful worship on the field helped by some children and a huge parachute! We thought about the Psalm 121:1-2 which tells us to lift our eyes and see God's wonderful world. This week, 2RL and 3CC led their brilliant class worships; 2RL got us thinking all about the wonders in the world and 3CC reflected on the amazing journeys we have all been on this year.



Year 6 leaver Service

On Tuesday, the year 6 children attended the Bournemouth Church Schools Leavers' Service at the Priory, Christchurch. It was a really memorable day, shared with the year 6 children from all the other church schools in Bournemouth. The children had the opportunity to celebrate the time they have had at primary school with a special church service followed by a range of activities including dance, drumming, natural art, water colour painting, mindfulness and even eating delicious icy treats! The children were wonderful role models and demonstrated our school values in every part of the day.



National School Sports Week Taster Day

On the final day of National School Sports Week the children were lucky enough to have a taster session of multiple sports such as handball, netball, rugby and ultimate Frisbee. Included in the attachments are some flyers which may be of interest.



Parent Tea & Cake - Thursday 10th July 1.45pm - 3pm

We'd love you to take an hour for yourself (if able to!) and join us, local church volunteers, for some refreshments at our final Parent Drop-in. We'll be based in The Hive at school. No agenda and very informal; just a few lovely ladies to have a chat with. If you have younger children then please bring them along; we have toys to amuse them!



Hot School Meals

We are not going to increase the charge for hot school meals at this point in time, the price will remain at £3.20 for the Autumn Term 2025.



Activity Club Price Increase – September 2025

Due to the increasing costs to the school of running our activity clubs, we will be increasing the weekly charge; this will take effect from September 2025, **ALL** activity clubs will increase by 50p per week. We will maintain the 15% discount applied to all teacher led clubs to cover for unplanned cancellations.



Afterschool and Breakfast Club Price Increase - September 2025

Due to the ever increasing costs of running our afterschool and breakfast clubs, we will be increasing charges as follows from September 2025:

Breakfast Club - short session - £3.70 increasing to £4.00

Breakfast Club - long session - £5.70 increasing to £6.00

Afterschool Club – full session - £12.00 increasing to £12.50



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Afterschool Club – post activity club session – will remain at £9.00



School Telephone

When calling the school telephone number, please listen carefully to the options, as these have recently been amended,. There are also two additional options which include:

Option 5: The breakfast club phone line is only available between the hours of 7.45am and 8:45am

Option 6: The afterschool club phone line is only available between the hours of 3:15pm and 6pm.



Arbor Reminders

Please be reminded to update your Arbor account with permitted adults to collect your child and consents for travelling home alone for Year 5 & 6



Absence during term time

Please note no holidays are authorised during term time, please remember to use the 'Leave of Absence during term time' form, which can be found on our website using the link: <u>Leave of absence during term time form</u>.



Reporting 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 before 8.45am. Please remember to call in or email on each day of their absence.



Hot School Meals

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



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.



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



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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.

2024—2025	
<u>Summer Term</u>	Tuesday 22nd April—Tuesday 22nd July 2025
Year 3 Swimming	Every Tuesday from 22nd April—8th July 2025
End of Term	Friday 18th July 2025 at 1.00pm
<u>Inset Day</u>	Monday 21st July 2025
<u>Inset Day</u>	Tuesday 22nd July 2025
2025-2026	
<u>Autumn Term</u>	Wednesday 3rd September to Friday 19th December 2025
<u>Inset Day</u>	Wednesday 3rd September 2025
<u>Inset Day</u>	Friday 24th October 2025
Autumn Half Term	Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025
End of Term	Friday 19th December 2025 at 1.30pm
Spring Term	Monday 5th January to Friday 27th March 2026
Spring Half Term	Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
End of Term	Friday 27th March 2026 at 1.30pm
Summer Term	Monday 13th April to Wednesday 22nd July 2026
Summer Half Term	Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026
End of Term	Friday 17th July 2026 at 1.00pm
Inset Days	Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd July 2026