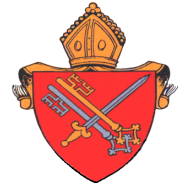




# St. Katharine's C.E. (V.A.) Primary School



## Whole School Newsletter

26.01.2024

### Worship

Our worship  
Theme is:  
Gamechangers

Monday worship this week was planned and presented by a group of children, who are passionate about wildlife and, in particular, birds. They told us about some people who are 'Gamechangers' in the UK with their work about wildlife and the organisation RSPB and this week's Big Garden Birdwatch. They set up the gazebo as a birdwatching hide and shared the Bible verse: "Look at the birds of the air. They do not worry about anything, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them." Matthew 6:26

On Tuesday, 4SP led worship about 'Gamechangers' - they shared how they are inspired by people for different reasons and how Jesus was a Gamechanger. The children spoke confidently with impressive expression.

### Golf club pick ups

If you are collecting your child and parking in the golf club car park after school, you must come to one of the gates to meet your child. Staff are very concerned that children are running through the car park to parents who are waiting in their cars and could easily be hit by a vehicle. If you wish to sit in your car to wait for your child (year 5 and 6 only), please park in a different safe and legal place and ensure your child has the correct permissions in place with the office to leave school on their own. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Indoor athletics

St Katharine's took to the sportshall at Harewood College for the indoor athletics schools tournament. This is an event with children competing in a team event over an array of different athletics event such as relays, long jump, triple jump etc. It was a very nervous start, as for many it was their first experience of this event.

These soon settled down when the first couple of races were completed and the team settled into their pattern and started to really enjoy the events. The event was a great success with our school coming first out of 5 schools. The finals will now take place on Tuesday, so let us hope the team are fully ready.

### Football

It has been a very busy couple of weeks with the end of the football season coming close to the end of the season, with fixtures both home and away within year five, year six and girls.

All teams were a real credit to the school and showed some great teamwork and attitude to all those that have been involved. The clubs have been a great success with so many children attending the clubs, both at lunch and after school.

### Absences

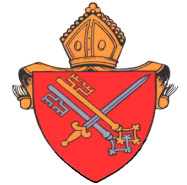
If your child is absent due to illness please ring the school office and leave a voicemail on the absence line at 01202 426663 or email office@skps.email on each day of their absence. If your child is absent due to any other circumstances please email the school office with reasonable notice.

### Hot School Meals

Please remember to order your hot school meals by 11.59pm Sunday 4th September 2022 to ensure your child has a hot school meal for the coming week.



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### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



2023/2024	
Spring Term	Wednesday 3rd January 2024— Thursday 28th March 2024
Year 1 Beach School	Monday 29th January 2024
O2 Young Voices	Wednesday 31st January 2024
Year 4 Planetarium experience	Wednesday 7th February 2024
FSK Friendship Disco	Wednesday 7th February 2024
Spring Half Term	Monday 12th February 2024—Friday 16th February 2024
In Person Parents Evening (more information to follow)	Wednesday 21st February 2024 Thursday 22nd February 2024
End of Term	Thursday 28th March 2024—1.30pm
Summer Term	Monday 15th April 2024—Tuesday 23rd July 2024
Summer Half Term	Monday 27th May 2024—Friday 31st May 2024
End of Term	Friday 19th July 2024 1.00pm
<u>Inset Day</u>	Monday 22nd July 2024
<u>Inset Day</u>	Tuesday 23rd July 2024