St Barnabas CE Primary School Newsletter

13/11/2026

'Let your light shine'

Our value this half term is *Responsibility* and over the last 2 weeks our year 6 children have really lived out this value as they have been busy selling poppies and merchandise to raise money for the Royal British Legion and preparing to lead our Remembrance Day worship. Our year 6 pupils made me feel exceptionally proud as they led a beautiful Remembrance Service, reflecting on the immense courage and sacrifices made by all those who served in World War I and II and the importance of our actions in helping to make the world a more peaceful place, by showing kindness compassion and understanding towards others.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,
Miss Hodgkinson

Meet our Wellbeing Warriors

Our Wellbeing Warriors are one of pupil ambassador teams who will be taking the lead role next week during Anti-Bullying Week. The children will leading a whole school assembly, reminding everyone of the importance of treating everyone with kindness and respect. They will also be running wellbeing activities during lunchtimes, being a listening ear and a kind friend to everyone.





Children in Need

A big thank you to everyone who has supported Children in Need – our children have raised **£230** for this amazing cause.



HERE ARE SOME OF THE WAYS OUR AMAZING CHILDREN HAVE 'LET THEIR LIGHT SHINE' THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL...

Our 2-year-old children enjoyed a wonderful week.









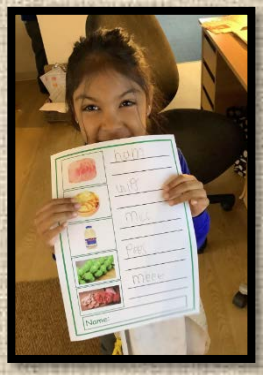

Our three and four-year-old children had an amazing time celebrating Diwali and learning about bonfire night!

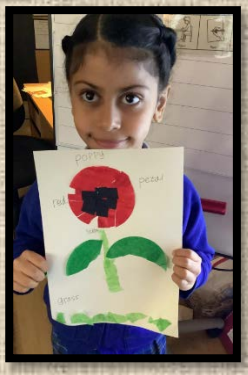
We had a fantastic trip to Delamere Forest

The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the forest environment, completing the Gruffalo Trail, challenging themselves on the playground, and sharing a delicious picnic lunch with their friends.



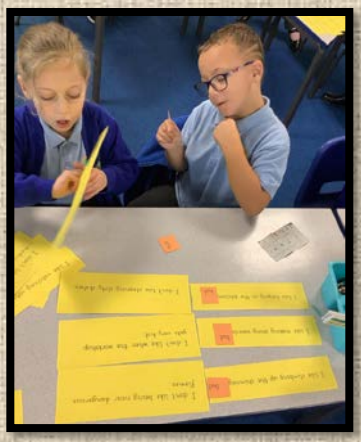







Year 1 this week

Year 2 built sentences using but. Their sentences described jobs from 1666 such as chimney sweeps, maids and more





Our Christian Value for this half term is:

'Responsibility'

"You are not only responsible for what you say, but what you don't say."
Martin Luther

This week's big question:
Why should we be responsible for our actions, good and bad?

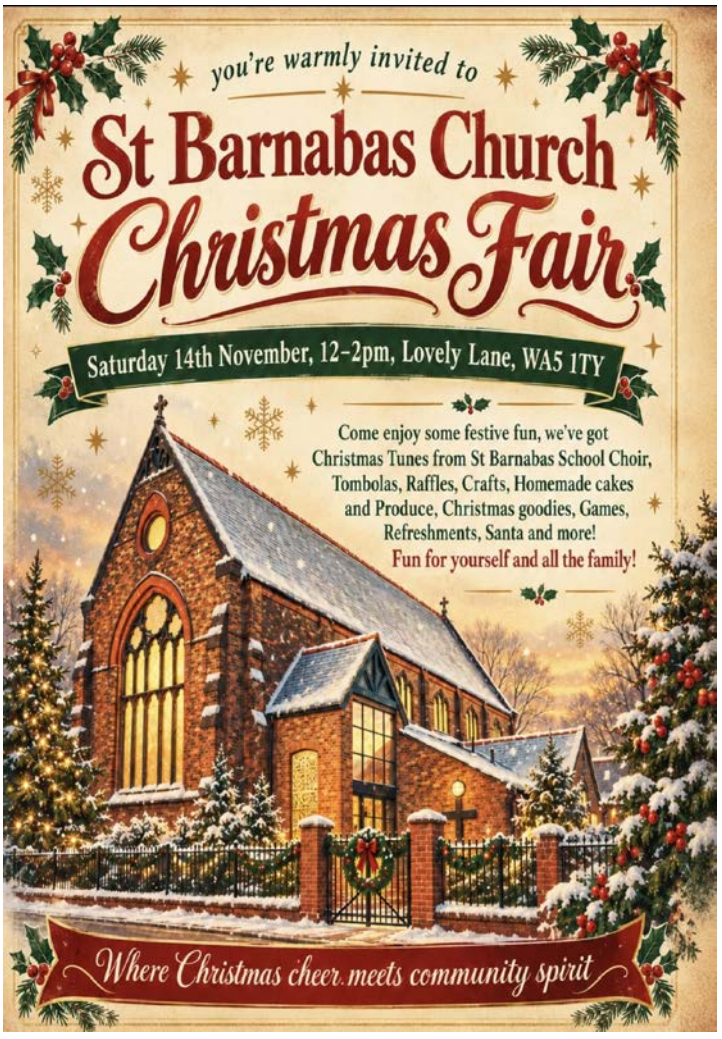
This week we pray to say thank you for all who have served and currently serve in the Armed Forces.

Starting reception class

If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, they are due to start reception class in September 2026. You will need to apply for a place here: https://www.warrington.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions

Playtime Snacks

We are a healthy school and constantly reinforce with our children that healthy eating and regular exercise lead to positive mental and physical health. Part of this is to educate our children to eat as healthily as possible, as this contributes to future success. The only snacks we allow at playtimes are **toast or fruit,** these can be brought in from home or toast can be purchased via ParentPay. Thank you for your support.







Staying Safe

AI-driven toys are becoming increasingly common, offering children personalised interactions that can feel surprisingly lifelike. This guide unpacks how these toys listen, learn, and respond – and what that means for privacy, security, and healthy development. The guide shares calm, practical advice to help parents and educators set boundaries, check permissions, and balance AI toys with offline experiences, ensuring AI remains a support for real-world interactions, not a substitute for them.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2026

8TH DECEMBER - TICKETS £1

2ND PRIZE:
GAMES BUNDLE

1ST PRIZE:
POKEMON BUNDLE

3RD PRIZE:
SMART WATCH BUNDLE

PAMPER BUNDLE * CUDDLY TOY PUPPY * LEGO TECHNICS * LEGO RACERS * LADIES HANDBAG * CD PLAYER * HEADPHONES * HAIRSTYLING KIT * CHILDREN'S BOOK & READING LIGHT * LADIES PERFUME * SET OF 2 INSULATED TRAVEL MUGS * CHILDREN'S CAMERA * POWER RANGER * LADIES JEWELLERY & SMALL BEAR * CHILDREN'S NECKLACE & TEDDY BEAR * JACK DANIELS * PINK TEDDY BEAR * CRAFT BUNDLE * STORYBOOK & ARTS KIT * MULLED WINE * 3X PRIZES OF A BOTTLE OF WINE * CHILDRENS PLAY TRUCKS * POKEMON CARDS * REED DIFFUSER * CANDLES & FIZZ



Term Dates for the Academic Year 2026 – 2027

Term	First Half Term	Half Term Break	Second Half Term
AUTUMN	Wednesday 2nd September to Friday 23rd October	Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October inclusive	Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December

Christmas Holiday Monday 21st December 2026 to Tuesday 5th January 2027 inclusive

Term	First Half Term	Half Term Break	Second Half Term
SPRING	Tuesday 5th January to Friday 12th February	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February inclusive	Monday 22nd February to Thursday 25th March

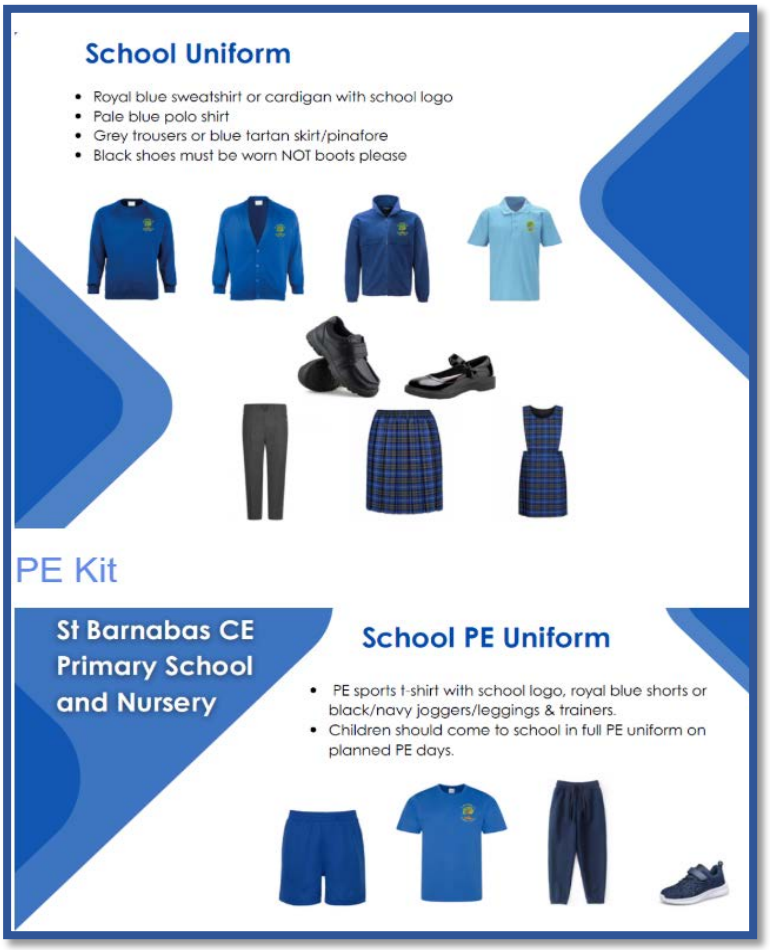
Easter Holiday Friday 26th March to Friday 2nd April 2027 inclusive

Term	First Half Term	Half Term Break	Second Half Term
SUMMER	Wednesday 7th April to Friday 28th May	Monday 31st May to Friday 11th June inclusive	Monday 14th June to Wednesday 21st July

Closure Days

BANK HOLIDAY Monday 3rd May 2027

WARRINGTON WALKING DAY Friday 25th June 2027



Christmas is on the way and we have some exciting events planned for our children. Here are the dates for your diary.

Dates for your diary: November & December 2026	
16th - 20th November	Anti-bullying Week
16th - 20th November	National Road Safety Week
Tuesday 17th November	Y4 trip to Liverpool Museum
Wednesday 18th November 1:30 - 3pm	Open afternoon for families of children who will be starting reception in September 2027.
Friday 20th November 9 - 11am	Open morning for families of children who will be starting reception in September 2027.
Monday 7th December	1 – 2:30pm Nursery Stay and Play 2 – 3pm Reception Stay and Play
Tuesday 8th December, 9:15am	Nativity dress rehearsal – school to watch
Wednesday 9th December, 9:15am	Nativity performance for parents Christmas Shop
Thursday 10th December	Christmas Shop Christmas Prayer Space in the hall Y3 trip to Warrington Museum Choir trip to the Gateway
Friday 11th December	Christmas Jumper Day Reindeer Run Christmas Dinner – Nursery, year 3, 4 & 6 Christmas Discos after school
Monday 14th December	Christmas Dinner – Nursery, Reception, year 1, 2 & 5
Monday 14th December, 3:30pm	Starbooks Christmas Cafe
Tuesday 15th December	3:30pm Christingle at St Barnabas Church
Wednesday 16th December	Winter Wonderland Day
Thursday 17th December	Christmas Party Day
Friday 18th December	Elf Day School closes at 1:30pm
Tuesday 5th January	School opens for the Spring term

MENU AUTUMN 2026

Menu Cycle Week One: 1st Sept, 21st Sept, 12th Oct, 2nd Nov, 23rd Nov, 14th Dec				
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
• Vegetarian Sausage roll with baked diced potatoes & beans • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Pork or Quorn sausage with Yorkshire pudding, creamed potatoes, carrots & peas • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Beef or vegetarian burger in a bun with baked diced potatoes & fresh salad • Vegetable fajitas with savoury rice & sweetcorn • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Barbecue chicken with baked wedged potatoes & sweetcorn • Vegetarian option served with baked wedged potatoes & sweetcorn • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Fish fingers • Crumb coated chicken • Served with chunky chipped potatoes & peas or baked beans • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans
Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit
Vanilla ice cream	Yoghurt	Orange jelly and fruit	Homemade blueberry cake/muffin	Homemade biscuit
Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water

Menu Cycle Week Two: 7th Sept, 28th Sept, 19th Oct, 9th Nov, 30th Nov				
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
• Margarita pizza with baked jacket wedges & sweetcorn • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Chicken or Quorn Tikka Masala • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Pasta bolognaise (beef or vegetable) served with garden peas • Garlic and herb chicken pitta with vegetable rice & broccoli • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Brunch lunch (sausage, beans, hash brown, omelette) • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Battered fish • Crumb coated chicken • Served with chunky chipped potatoes & peas or baked beans • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans
Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit
Doughnut	Yoghurt	Arctic or chocolate ice cream	Raspberry jelly and fruit	Homemade biscuit
Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water

Menu Cycle Week Three: 14th Sept, 5th Oct, 16th Nov, 7th Dec				
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
• Tomato & mascarpone pasta bake with seasonal vegetables • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Chicken or vegetable katsu curry served with rice • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Pizza (pepperoni/cheese) served with jacket wedges & salad • Sweet and sour chicken/quorn served with rice/noodle • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Pork or Quorn meatballs in tomato & basil sauce with pasta & peas • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans	• Oven baked fish stars • Oven baked chicken poppers • Served with chunky chipped potatoes & peas or baked beans • Jacket potato with cheese/tuna/beans
Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit
Strawberry ice cream	Yoghurt	Jelly and fruit	Vanilla and chocolate marble cake	Homemade biscuit
Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water	Milk/water