

# St Bertelina's Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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## St Bert's News

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6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### Welcome back!

We hope you all had a lovely half term despite the damp weather and are looking forward to a very busy half term and the run up to Christmas.

### Family Worship

Our Family Worship this week will be about remembrance. Vicar Danny, from St. Bert's Church and Mrs Moss will be talking to the children about how we remember those people who sacrificed their lives so that we can live freely.

Parents welcome - 9.15am start.

### Mums' Games Afternoon

WOW, we had over 170 mums, aunties, grandparents come into school on the last Friday of half term. We hope you enjoyed the games as much as the children did! Look out for photos on the school website.

### Parent Helpers

Do you have a spare 15 minutes in the morning to help in class? If you would like to come into school and help the children with reading, it would be greatly appreciated, even 15 minutes can make a big difference! Please speak to your class teacher. Thank you.

### School Disco



Just a reminder that our 'School Disco' takes place this Thursday. If you would like a ticket, can we ask that payment is made by the end of the day on Tuesday on School Gateway.

- EYFS/KS1 4.30- 6pm
- KS2 6.30-8pm

**£5 a ticket (£3 siblings) to be paid to Schoolcomms.**

Tickets include, a DJ with party games, crisps or popcorn and a drink. Please can children bring their own named, empty drinks bottle. Children can also bring a maximum of £2 to buy sweets.

If you have booked and paid for a ticket it will be handed out today via the class teacher. All other tickets that have been paid today will be given out tomorrow.

Your ticket will need to be handed in at the door when you arrive.

The children will need to be dropped off and picked up from the front entrance of the school.

### Anti-Bullying

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 will take place from Monday 13th - Friday

17th November. The theme is 'Make A Noise About Bullying.'



As a school community, we can show how we can all come together to have discussions about what bullying means to us, how banter can turn into something more hurtful, and

### Poppies for Sale



This week will be selling red poppies and other items such as slap bands, keyrings,

pins etc for £1.

The red poppy is a sign of both remembrance and hope for a peaceful future, which is very poignant at the present moment with all the current troubles around the world.

Our St Bert's family always support the Poppy appeal very generously, thank you.

what we can do to stop bullying. Together, we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying.

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### Odd Socks Day

Please note that it is not Odd Socks Day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November as previously noted in the Dates for your Diary. Down Syndrome Odd Socks Day is on March 21<sup>st</sup> 2024. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

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### Children in Need

Children in Need will take place on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Children can come into school in exchange for £1 dressed in anything spotty.

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### Clubs

Christmas Craft Club starts next week on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Recorder Club starts next week on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Football Club will start on 14<sup>th</sup> November - 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (4 sessions). A google form will be sent out to all Year 5 & 6 parents today.

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### Holiday in Term Time

Attendance Ladder		
How close is your child to 100%?		
0 Days off school	100%	perfection!
equivalent to 1 day off school each year	99%	excellent!
equivalent to 2 days off school each year	97%	good
equivalent to 4 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
equivalent to 10 days off school each year	90%	Concerned

We seem to be receiving a lot of 'holiday in term time' requests. Please be reminded that holiday requests will not be authorised.

At present, there is a national effort to raise the school

attendance. As a school, we have always had good attendance and been proud to achieve our 97% target. At this moment we are working towards this, which means not taking holidays during term time. Please be reminded that findings indicate that good performance at school is very closely linked to high attendance. We expect the majority of our pupils to have an attendance figure of 97% or above.

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### Residentials/Delamere

We still have a number of outstanding balances for our residential trip to Delamere that took place a couple of weeks ago. As a matter of URGENCY, please can we ask parents who have not paid to do so as soon as possible as. Please contact the school office if you have difficulties in doing this thank you.

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### Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday goes to the following children who celebrate their birthdays this week:



Luca Gillies (9)  
Holly Clair (11)  
Ivy Clair (7)

We hope you all have a wonderful day!

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### St Berteline's Open Day

Our first St Berteline's open day was a great success. Our prospective parents were blown away by how talented, well behaved and well-mannered our children were!

If you are looking for a Primary place for September and would like to attend, our second open

day is on 8/11/2023 - 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Please phone the school to make a booking on 01928 719847.

The open day is intended to give new parents the opportunity to take a look at what St Bert's has to offer.

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### Residential Dates

Please be advised of the dates for our forthcoming residentials.

#### Tattenhall

18<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

#### Burwardsley

Two groups

Group 1 - 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024

Group 2 - 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 (Your child will be assigned a group nearer the time).

#### Menai

7<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

#### Year 6

TBA

Please note that all residentials are now available on the School Gateway (Schoolcomms) system. You can start to pay as soon as possible for any of the residentials, by doing this, you can spread the cost.

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### Big Conversation

The Big Conversation is a survey which Halton Borough Council are conducting. It is about how we can start to talk and about how together we can make Halton an even better place for people to live, work, visit and grow.

Complete the survey before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 to be in with a once of a winning £100 gift voucher for The Brindley. Use this QR code



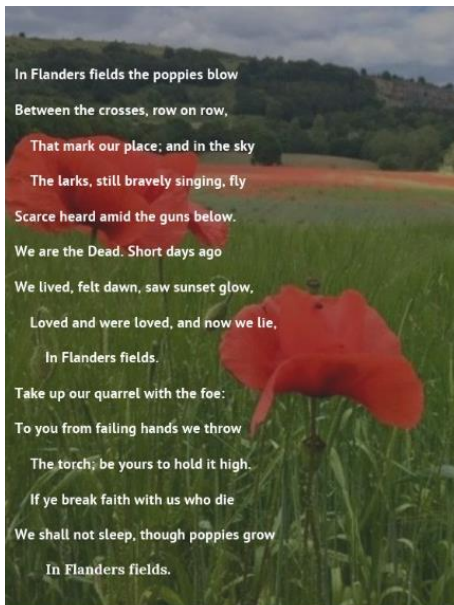
or visit

[www.halton.gov.uk/thebigconversation](http://www.halton.gov.uk/thebigconversation).

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### Quote of the Week

As we remember those who died in conflict.



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### Prayers

Prayers this week are for those people who sacrificed their lives so we can live freely.

God Bless