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St Bert's News

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24th March 2025

Family Worship - Mothering Sunday

This week's Family Worship will be led by our Reception children, who will be talking about their mums. At St Bert's, as a Church of England School, we celebrate 'Mothering Sunday' and its history in the Christian calendar where families were allowed to return to their 'mother' church.

It would be lovely to see as many parents/grandparents as possible join us for our family worship. The children love to have you present.

Celebrate and Praise

Celebrate and Praise worship takes place this Friday.

Wraparound Care

An email has been sent out today to all our school families with regards to our wraparound provision opening on April 28th 2025.

Cheshire Fire Brigade

Today, Cheshire Fire Brigade came into school to talk to the Year 5 children about fire safety.

Knowsley Safari Park Visit

Our Year 1 / 2 will be visiting Knowsley Safari Park on Wednesday 26th March 2025.

Our Reception and Year 1 will be visiting Knowsley Safari Park on Thursday 27th March 2025.

We hope they enjoy their visit and look forward to hearing what they have seen!

If you have not paid for Knowsley Safari Park, can we please ask that you do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

Lent Appeal



During the Lent period, here at St Bert's our children spend time thinking about what we can do to support others, caring about the troubles of others and doing something to help. We call this courageous advocacy. Every year each class chooses a different theme to support.

Mrs Davidson/Miss Roach

Norton Priory staff will be working with our children to help insects in our environment by planting lots of bee friendly flowers.

Mrs Burton/Mr Hall St Berteline's and St Christopher's Church

As part of our courageous advocacy in school, Mrs Burton and Mr Hall's classes will be raising money for St. Berteline's Church by hosting a colour Fun Run! This will take place on Wednesday 2nd April in the afternoon.

Mr O'Neill Changing Lives

Mr. O'Neill's class will be supporting the charity- Changing Lives. Changing Lives is a

national charity who support homeless people. The charity has a base in Runcorn (Halton Lodge) so we will be supporting people in the local community. We have asked for items to make 'Support packs' for the residents. You have till after Easter to bring items in.

Items needed: shampoo, bodywash, toothpaste, deodorant, towels, face wipes, tinned food, biscuits, instant food pots, rice and pasta.
<https://www.changing-lives.org.uk/>

Mrs Chriscoli

Missahoe Children's Orphanage

This year Mrs. Chriscoli's class is raising money for **Missahoe Children's Orphanage** in Kpando, Ghana.

For this week only, we will be opening a tuck shop every day after school (Monday 24th March - Friday 28th March). The tuck shop will sell a range of goodies such as crisps, lollipops, chocolate bars and drinks. All items will be 50p or £1.

Miss Stone Halton Haven

Miss Stone's class will be making Easter Cards next week ready to take to Halton Haven to give to patients.

Mrs Dix

Room at the Inn and the 'Y' projects homeless charities.

Mrs Dix's class are completing two miles a day this week and by

Friday they will have completed their 10 miles.

Mr Ellis/Mrs Wroe RSPCA

On Monday 31st March 2025, the Year 6 children will be holding a chocolate extravaganza cake sale in aid of RSPCA. They will also be raffling off a very special cake made by one of our staff!

The RSPCA are desperate for bedding and towels so the children are asking if anybody would like to donate any old items, then please send into school. Thank you.

Partial Solar Eclipse

On Saturday 29th March there will be a partial solar eclipse where the moon hides some of the sun. We can't see it with our eyes (and **mustn't** look at the sun without the right protection) but our governor Liz Gwynne and her husband will be near Murdishaw Aldi with safe eclipse glasses and their smart telescope.

If its not a cloudy day please come and find them in the carpark near Perky Grinders café 10am and 12 noon. The best view will be around 11am.

Dates for your Diary Easter Egg Competition

It's that time of the year again when we hold our Easter Egg Competition. The competition will be judged on Thursday 3rd April 2025. You have quite a few weeks to come up with some eggciting, eggshibits. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd for each year group. So get your eggstraordinary ideas eggcized!!

Grandparents Afternoon

Thursday 3rd April 2025 we will be holding our annual Grandparents Afternoon. Grandparents are welcome to come along to school at 2.00pm. There will be a raffle and brief entertainment prior to being able to visit the children. The children will be doing guided tours of the school and will be able to share their school work with their Grandparents. Grandparents will be allowed to take the children home from 3pm. We hope as many Grandparents will be able to join us.

Easter Bunny Secret Stash Raffle

Raffle tickets for our forthcoming East Bunny Secret Stash raffle will be sent out at the beginning of the week. We have a KS1 stash and a KS2 stash. If you require any more, please contact the office. You have to be in it to win it! Tickets are £1 per strip. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 3rd April 2025.



Residentials

Please note the dates for our residentials.

Menai is our most expensive visit, so we like to give you plenty of time to pay.

Menai - Year 5

This Wed
6th - 9th May
£330

Year 6 Day Out - TBA

Menai Residential Meeting

There will be a meeting for all Year 5 parents with regards to the Menai residential on Wednesday 23rd April 2025 at 3.30pm in the school hall.

Outstanding monies

At the moment, we have a lot of outstanding balances for residentials £850.08.

Rock Steady Concert

Thank you to everyone who came to watch the Rock Steady Concert last Wednesday. We hope you enjoyed the children singing and playing their instruments like a real rock band!

Hop for Haven

Thank you again to everyone who took part in Hop for Haven. Halton Haven will let us know as soon as possible when they have a total.

Swimming Gala

Well done to all our swimmers who took part in last week's swimming gala held at the new Halton Leisure Centre in Widnes. Our team came 3rd overall! Thank you also to Mrs Wiseman and Mrs Lawton-Hill for their support.

Comic Relief



WOW!!!! Thank you for supporting Comic Relief last Friday. A total of £209.00 was raised.

Odd Sock Day (Down Syndrome Day)

Thank you to everyone who bought a gingerbread sock biscuit in support of Odd Sock Day (Down Syndrome Day). We

will let you know shortly when Cheshire Down Syndrome has counted the money.

Attendance Policy

At St Bert's, high levels of attendance and punctuality are expected in order for children to reap the full benefits of what our school has to offer.

Our target is 96%



https://www.stbertelines.org.uk/serve_file/30709892

Happy Birthday



Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their

birthday this week:

Tyler Graham (7)
Jakub Pazdziorko (8)
Charlie Martin (8)
Harrison Saunders (9)
Laurina Jones (10)
Ethan Dunham (11)

We hope you have a wonderful birthday.

Clubs

Coding Club

The last Jam Coding Club will take place this Friday 28th March 2025.

Choir

Choir runs every Friday. Please see dates below:
28th March 2025

Parents who have paid for the 4th April will have that session added to the next block.

Mad Science Club

Mad Science Club takes place every Thursday after half term at 3.20pm - 4.20pm. Dates below:
Thursday 27th March
Thursday 3rd April

Church Lego Club

Year 4 Church lego club takes place this Thursday 3.20pm - 4.15pm. Please see dates below:
27th March 2025
3rd April 2025

Year 2 Curling Club

Curling club takes place on Wednesday's 3.20pm - 4.20pm. Please see dates below:
26th March 2025
2nd April 2025

Diamond Art Club

Diamond Art Club takes place on Wednesday's 3.20pm - 4.20pm. Please see dates below:
26th March 2025
2nd April 2025

Football Club

Football club takes place on Tuesdays for Year 3 / 4. Please see dates below:
25th March 2025

<https://forms.office.com/e/vi6vpcU6Vh>

Swimming

Mrs Chriscoli's class have their last swimming this Friday.

Book Fair

From today until Friday 28th March 2025 the book fair will be in the school hall. Please come and have a look at some of the lovely books on offer. You will be able to use your vouchers to buy books in the book fair.

ADDvanced Solutions

Please click on the link below to access what is on in Halton this spring.

[HAL Spring 2 Half Term Newsletter 2025.pdf](#)

Quote of the Week

This half term the children have been learning about one of our values, COMPASSION. The attached poem was written by a Year 4/5 child.

Prayers

Our prayers this week are for remembering the Covid/pandemic 5 years ago.

Loving God,
You hold all our times in your hands: our past, our present, our future. Be close to us now as we remember the Covid pandemic. Be especially close to all of us who are thinking of someone we loved and knew, but see no longer, whether family, friend, colleague or neighbour. Help us to trust that they are at peace with you, and comfort us with your presence.
God Bless

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Compassion is:

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Opening your heart to those in need

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Making a smile appear on someone's face

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Pushing others to be their best

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And even helping strangers

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Some charities are funded on the compassion of others

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Sometimes it's okay to only help a little bit

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Writing differences

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Opening the doors of your heart

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Now you know what compassion is go and use it