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Welcome Back



A warm welcome back to you all, especially our new families

whose children are joining the school. We hope that the children soon settle down and begin to feel part of the St Bert's Family.

Reception families will have their teacher visit today/tomorrow and begin school on Thursday.

School Worship

We have had to make some changes to our daily worship schedule due to Mrs Cleverly's retirement. Mrs Cleverly led our weekly sing and praise worship on a Wednesday morning. As you know, singing is a huge part of school life at St Bert's and we really want this to continue. Mrs Wroe will be leading KS2 singing on a Thursday morning and Mrs O'Neill will be leading singing with KS1 on a Friday afternoon. This will mean that we will not be having our Friday afternoon Celebrate and Praise worship for the time being. Pupil achievement will be celebrated in key stage worship on a Wednesday. Parents and family members are still welcome to join us during our usual Tuesday morning Family Worship.

Dates for your Diary

Dates for your Diary are attached to this week's newsletter.

Mrs Moss Update

Mrs Moss is continuing with her recovery, and we hope to welcome her back to school soon. Until this point, Mr O'Neill will be continuing in the role of acting headteacher. We welcome Mrs Haresnape to St Bert's who will be supporting Mr O'Neill and Mrs Mackenzie teaching Y4/5.

Measles

Please find a link sent on behalf of Halton Health Protection Practice Manager with regards to important information regarding measles.

[Measles reminder for parents, guardians, and carers | HBC newsroom](#)

The newsletter includes upcoming dates, times, and locations for the CWP Living Well Bus, where individuals can receive the MMR vaccine or speak with staff for further information. It is important to note that adults can also access the MMR vaccine and are encouraged to check their MMR vaccine status with their GP.

Individual School Photos

Next Wednesday, 10th September 2025, the school photographer will be in school to take individual photos and photos with siblings. On this occasion, the photographers intend to start taking photographs from 9.00am onwards.

New parents, please be aware that you can bring in younger siblings who are not of school age to join their brothers and sisters for a photograph. In order to do this, you need to come into the school hall at 8.45am along with your toddlers, babies and other siblings.

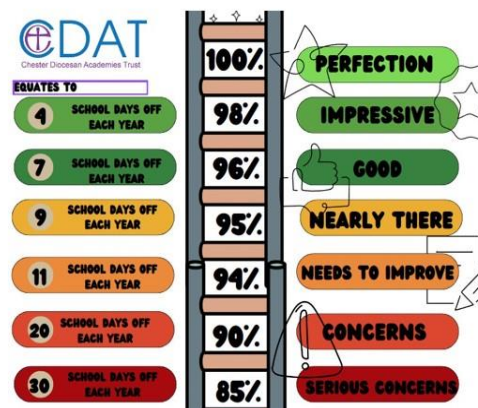
MDAs

Do you enjoy working with children? Are you at your happiest when you are busy and purposeful? Are you free to work one and a half hours per day over lunchtime? If so, we would love you to join our team of mid-day assistants. To find out more please contact the school office.

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%



A letter was emailed at the end of last term from the Local Authority outlining the new guidance with regards to fining

families who take holidays during term time.

Volunteers

We would very much like to encourage as many parents as possible to support our class teachers first thing in the morning. We have a number of children who need daily reading practice in order to progress and develop their reading ability. If there are any parents or grandparents who could spare approximately 20 mins every morning to listen to a child read, then please speak to your child's teacher or Mr O'Neill. Thank you!

Library

Are you interested in books? Do you have an hour or two available each week to help organise our school library and work with our Y5 librarians? If so, please contact Mr O'Neill or the school Office.

School Uniform

It was lovely seeing all the children looking so smart in their school uniforms today. Please make sure that all items are named. Can we please remind parents that children need black school shoes, not trainers, fancy boots or fancy shoes etc. Trainers are for outdoor PE only.

The Uniform Policy is available on the school website. Please note children can wear white or black shorts for PE.

Please put your child's name inside ALL of their clothing, PE kit, coat and water bottle and any other personal items.

Please click the link below which takes you to the School Uniform page on our school website.

<https://www.stbertelines.org.uk/page/school-uniform/139850>

Thank You



All the staff would like to say a big thank you to the parents who sent

in cards and gifts at the end of last term. We are always overwhelmed and would like to show our appreciation for your kind words and generous gifts.

Lining Up

As you will be aware, this morning we lined the children up outside school before leading them to their respective classrooms. From tomorrow, we will be back to our normal routine whereby the gates will open at 8.45, school doors open at 8.50am for the 'drop and go' system and all the children (apart from our new reception children) will enter the school building via the courtyard.

Reception children need to line up outside the metal shutters near the Early Year's play area.

Residentials

We will have a full list of all residentials shortly.

Delamere (Group 1)
13th October 2025 - 14th October 2025

Delamere (Group 2)
15th October - 17th October 2025.

Delamere Residential Meeting

Delamere residential meeting for parents of Year 3 children takes place on Monday 29th September 2025 at 3.30pm in the school hall.

Universal Free School Meals

Can we please remind parents of Year 2 children going into Year 3 in September, that your child is no longer entitled to Universal Free School Meals. School meals cost £3.15 and will need to be paid via School Hub.

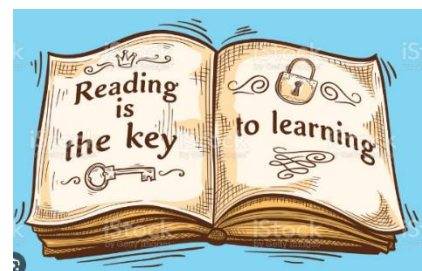
Ear Piercing

Please note children are not allowed to do PE wearing plasters covering their earrings, therefore if your child has their ears pierced at any other time of the year (other than the summer holidays) they are missing part of their National Curriculum entitlement.

Summer Reading Challenge

We are very proud of all the children who completed this challenge. Halton Libraries would also like to thank the children and their families.

Well done everyone and.....keep reading! Finger crossed that St Bert's has won this year's challenge.



Mobile phones in school

Can we please remind parents that should your child be required to bring a mobile phone on the school premises, you need to fill in a Mobile Phone Permission Agreement. Please click the link below:



<https://forms.gle/SjbxB239PwBghJvW7>

Walking home alone

We are aware that some of our Year 5 & 6 children may go home without an adult. Obviously as parents you will have considered whether this is appropriate for your child and talked about any risks attached.

As a school, we feel we need to know whether you have given permission for your child to walk home alone. Please fill in the form on the link below:

<https://forms.gle/HbZJgTitk9c7kVog7>

Happy Birthday



A happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday this week:

Lola-Rose Sinclair (5)
Esme Hackland (10)
Matilda Goddard (10)
Cora Johnson (7)
Morgan Roberts (6)
Imma Cosgrove (8)
Lily Ackroyd (11)

We hope you have a wonderful birthday.

After School Clubs

Choir

Choir will start on Friday 12th September and run for 7 weeks until half term (inc Friday 24th Oct).

After half term, it is a 5 week block until Friday 5th December.

All children who want to continue need to email to confirm their place and make payment for the term of £48 to the usual bank details. Please reference your child's name as Mrs O'Neil uses this for the registrar details.

Any new starters are welcome to trial the club before committing to the full term. Parents will need to sign up by sending an email to me with child's name/class and then payment details will be sent across. There is an expectation to regularly attend each week with the exception of illness and occasional important family events taking precedence over choir.

There is only going to be a Sept and April joining opportunity for choir this year.

I look forward to welcoming lots of you back again and seeing some new faces.

Cricket/Rounders

Cricket and rounders club takes place on Mondays for Year 3/4/5/6. 3.20pm - 4.20pm.

Football Club (Dave from DR Sports)

Football Club takes place on Tuesdays for Years 3/4/5/6 3.20pm - 4.20pm

Athletic Club (Year 1 - 6)

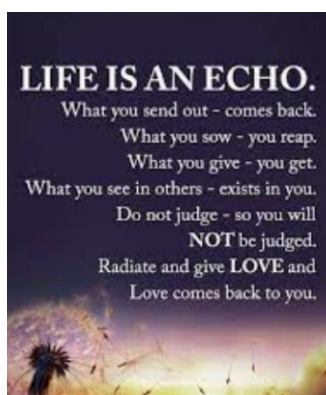
Athletic Club takes place every Wednesday 3.20pm - 4.20pm

Also, our thoughts are especially for our Year 7 children who have begun their next stage in their education.

Special prayers go to the Rendell family, Ackroyd family and Hillyer family.

God Bless

Quote of the Week



Prayers

Our prayers this week are for our school family as we are once again reunited.