# ST BARNABAS CE PRIMARY ACADEMY

## Message from Miss Nelson:

Another fantastic week has come to an end, and I continue to be incredibly proud of the children for the excellent behaviour for learning they demonstrate every day. Across the school, classrooms are calm, purposeful and full of enthusiasm.

It has also been lovely to see so many children arriving each day looking smart and taking pride in wearing their school uniform. Our uniform helps to create a sense of belonging and community, and we greatly appreciate your support in ensuring children come to school dressed appropriately each day. A reminder that on PE days, children should wear **plain black shorts and a plain white T-shirt** (without logos or branded labels). During the colder months, plain black leggings, tracksuit bottoms or joggers may also be worn.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 5 and Year 6, who have qualified for the **Team Manchester Cross Country Final**. This is a fantastic achievement and reflects their determination, resilience and commitment. Our Year 5 and Year 6 girls' football team also represented the school brilliantly, winning three games and drawing three others. Well done to all the children involved for their excellent teamwork and sportsmanship.

Looking ahead, we are excited to celebrate our **Harvest Festival Service at St Cross Church** next week. Harvest is always a special opportunity for us to come together as a school community, give thanks and reflect on the importance of kindness, generosity and helping others.

## Headteacher Award Winners

**Reception: Abu**
**Year 1: Isiah**
**Year 2: Hania**
**Year 3: Florian**
**Year 4: Aizah**
**Year 5: Joseph**
**Year 6: Anabia**




## Attendance Target: 97%

**Reception: 94.9%**
**Year 1: 90%**
**Year 2: 95.4%**
**Year 3: 97.4%**
**Year 4: 93.9%**
**Year 5: 91%**
**Year 6: 92.3%**

## Upcoming Events: (Dates may vary and also subject to change.)

**1st Oct**—Lucky Plate/Italian Day

**5th Oct**—Harvest Festival at St Cross Church

**8th Oct**—Whole School Flu Vaccinations

**12th to 14th Oct**—Yr 6 Robinwood Residential Trip

**16th Oct**—Staff Inset Day (School closed)



# News



## Italian Day/Lucky Plate Meal

On Thursday **1st October** our Head Cook from Mellors will be making a themed meal of Italian. To go along with this she will also doing a Lucky Plate where children can win spot prizes if they find they have the Lucky Plate gold sticker.

This is also being made available to children who normally have packed lunches & to Nursery children.

If you would like your child to take part please let the office team know so we can add your child to the list and add **£2.48** to meals on Arbor. (Only nursery & packed lunch parents need to contact the office).

**Menu:**

Garlic Bread

Vegetarian Pizza & Pepperoni Pizza

3 types of pasta: Tomato, Creamy & Spicy

Salad bar

Ice cream or Pineapple Upside down cake

## Eco Club/Shop

On **Wednesday 30th September** our Eco Re-fill shop will be back open for business at **3:15pm** in the main school hall. If you would like to support our young entrepreneur's to make a profit from the items they sell, please come along and see what is available. This is a cash only shop.

## Harvest Festival Donations

As part of our Harvest Festival celebrations, we will be collecting donations to support **St Cross Church** and members of our local community.

We would be very grateful for any donations of non-perishable food items such as tinned goods, pasta, rice, cereal, tea, coffee, biscuits, and other cupboard essentials.

Please send any donations into school by **Monday 5th October**. All contributions, no matter how small, will be greatly appreciated and will help support those in need within our community.

Thank you for your generosity and support. Together, we can make a real difference to others this harvest season.



# News



**News Cont'd**

## Parking around School

We kindly ask all parents and carers to help keep our children safe by parking considerately at the beginning and end of the school day.

Please **do not park on the pavements** outside the school. Parking on pavements can block access for families with buggies, wheelchairs, and mobility aids, making it difficult and unsafe for them to pass.

We also ask that you **do not park on the zig-zag lines** outside the school gates. These markings are in place to ensure clear visibility and provide a safe crossing area for children and families.

Your cooperation helps us to maintain a safe environment for everyone in our school community. Thank you for your understanding and support.




**Can you & your family answer the below riddles??**

## Riddle 1:

What comes down, but never goes up?

## Riddle 2:

What can travel around the world whilst staying in the same corner?

**Answers will be on next weeks newsletter.**

**Answers to last weeks riddles: Riddle 1—A Towel  Riddle 2—A Needle**

On Wednesday Miss Swindells & Mrs Ostell ran a Together Workshop for parents & students making pizza's.

It was so lovely to see so many parents & students come together having fun and chatter, whilst making the pizza's and it has been so lovely seeing pictures of what they looked like when you took them home to cook.

A big thank you to Mr Rafiq for supplying the workshop with the takeaway pizza boxes.

The next Together Workshop will be on Wednesday 7th October. It will be all about TT Rockstars. To sign up as places are limited, please speak to Miss Swindells.

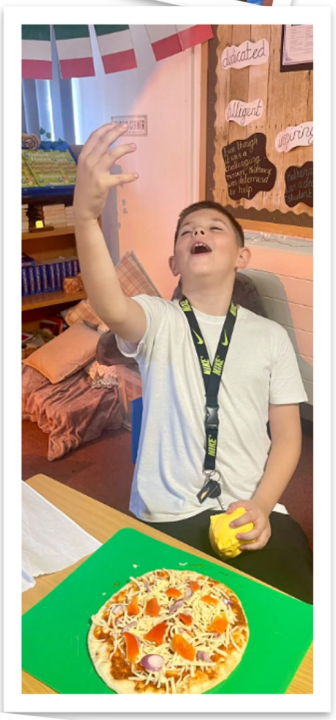


















Topps MATCH ATTAX TRADING CARD GAME

Your child in years 3 to 6 should have come home this week with free Match Attax cards and a sheet to design your own Match Attax card.

There is also a QR code to scan to enter a survey to win a £250.00 bundle or one of five £25.00 bundles.

Enjoy and get creative designing your own cards.






# After School Clubs Timetable

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| Tuesday | Zumba—Years 1 to 6 (Full)<br>Singing—Years 1 to 6 (Full)<br>Tag Rugby—Years 3 & 4 (Full)<br>Reading for Pleasure—Years 1 to 6 (Full) |
| Wednesday | Eco Club (Monthly) - See Miss Drury<br>Together Workshops—See Miss Swindells<br>Football—Years 4 to 6 (Full)<br>Construction—Years 1 to 3 (Full) |
| Thursday | Girls Football— Years 3 to 6 (Full)<br>Arts & Crafts—Years 1 & 2 (Full)<br>Arts & Crafts—Years 3 to 6 (Full)<br>Cross Country— Years 4 to 6 (Available) |

Mellors

# School Meals Menu

| WEEK 1 | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MAIN DISH | Beef Burger/ Halal Beef Burger in a bun with Baked Wedges | Chicken Tikka/Halal Chicken Tikka Masala Served 50/50 rice | Roast Chicken/Halal Roast Chicken Breast Served with Roast Potatoes | Spaghetti/Halal Spaghetti Bolognaise | Crispy Battered Fish with Chunky Chips |
| VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH | Vegetable Burger served in a Bun with Baked Wedges | Vegetable Tikka Masala Served with 50/50 Rice | Roast Quorn fillet served with Roast Potatoes | Vegetable Pasta Bake | Cheese & Bean Bake with Chunky Chips |
| ACCOMPANIMENTS | Salad Bar<br>Coleslaw<br>Baked Beans | Salad Bar<br>Green Beans<br>Baked Beans | Salad Bar<br>Carrots<br>Peas<br>Gravy | Salad Bar<br>Garlic Bread<br>Baked Beans | Salad Bar<br>Baked Beans |
| DESSERTS | Home Made Chocolate Brownie | Homemade Short Bead Biscuit | Fruity Jelly | Chocolate Ice | Fruity Friday |
| FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT | Fresh fruit or yoghurt | Fresh fruit or yoghurt | Fresh fruit or yoghurt | Fresh fruit or yoghurt | Fresh fruit or yoghurt |
| JACKET POTATO/PASTA | Sandwiches with assorted Fillings or Jacket Potato | Sandwiches with assorted Fillings or Jacket Potato | Sandwiches with assorted Fillings or Jacket Potato | Sandwiches with assorted Fillings or Jacket Potato | Sandwiches with assorted Fillings or Jacket Potato |

# PE Kits



Plain white t-shirt



Plain Black
School Sport Shorts



Plain Black
Sport Leggings



Plain Black
Joggers

For Reception to year 6, children can come to school on their PE days dressed in their PE kits. Please see below PE timetable.

This is being implemented to maximise our PE activity time and reduce lost time when children get changed or missed lessons when they forget their PE kits.

**Reminder that PE kits should not be branded items & hoodies. PE kits should be plain white t-shirts with black shorts, black leggings or black jogging bottoms. Children during lessons should still be wearing their school jumper/cardigans over the top of their pe t-shirt to stay warm during the day.**

# PE Lesson Timetable

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| **Monday** | **Year 1, Year 5, Year 3** |
| **Tuesday** | **Year 1** |
| **Wednesday** | **Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6** |
| **Thursday** | **Year 3 & Year 2** |
| **Friday** | **Year 6, Year 5 & Year 4** |

Get Set 4 P.E.

# 2026-2027 School Calendar

## St Barnabas School Holidays 2026 - 2027

**Green-Holiday Red-Staff Inset Day Orange-Bank Holiday**

**SEPTEMBER**

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**FEBRUARY**

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**JUNE**

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**JULY**

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**AUGUST**

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# Child Absence

## Reporting a child's absence

If your child is not going to be in school due to an illness you **must call or email us before 8:45am** to report an absence.

**Tel Number: 0161 223 3593**
**Email: stboffice@vantageacademies.co.uk**

You can leave a voicemail message before **8am (Please speak clearly with your child's name and class year and brief description of your child's illness).** You can speak to the office team from **8:15am**. If you do not call us this will go down as an unauthorised absence, and this could lead to a fine.



# School Uniform

We will be no longer selling school uniform in school. We have very limited stock left of old sizes in school. Please enquire at the school office on what sizes we may have left in stock.

Our school uniform can be bought from 2 uniform shops within the local area:

KK SPORTS

**Unit 1 Tesco, Hyde Rd, Gorton, M18 8LD**




**90 Market St, Droylsden, M43 6DE**

# Key School Information

## Key School Information

**Safeguarding** - Our Safeguarding Lead in school is Mrs Ostell/Miss Nelson

**SENDCO Lead**—Mr Martin

**School Office opening times:** 8:15am—4pm

**School phone number**: 0161 223 3593

**School email**: stboffice@vantageacademies.co.uk

Keep up-to-date with everything happening in school by visiting our:

- **Website** - www.stbarnabas.manchester.sch.uk
- **X (Twitter)** - StBarnabas_news
- **Instagram**—@StBarnabasCE

