



Bickershaw Church of England Primary School

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October Newsletter 2025

Our Vision Statement

Our Christian vision is firmly rooted in the Trinity – God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the constant at the centre of our lives. Inspired by the life of Christ, as a guide, friend and comforter, we share the Gospel, aiming to meet the challenges of a constantly changing world.

Bickershaw Church of England Primary School has a strong sense of community where everyone is respected, included and valued. We aim to ensure that all pupils succeed, regardless of their backgrounds, diverse needs and starting points, enabling them to achieve their academic and spiritual potential. Our environment fosters positive relationships where individuals feel nurtured and supported.

Our Christian Values, firmly rooted in the bible, encourage all to be self-motivated, caring, resilient and responsible citizens, celebrating differences and ensuring that all flourish. All in our school community are encouraged to support each other and those in local, national and global communities.

Our Christian Values

Our Christian value for Autumn Term 2 is *Peace*.

Important dates!

SATS tests will take place as follows:

Y6 (11th – 15th May)

Y2 (11th – 15th May)

Y1 Phonics Screening (June)

It is crucial that your children are in School and punctual leading up to and during these dates. Please don't arrange any leave for your child during these periods.

Thank you in advance for your continued support in this matter.

Admission to Secondary School 2026

A reminder to all Y6 children that the Admissions to Secondary Schools 2026 application forms should be sent back to school or submitted on-line by **31st October 2025**.

Reception Class 2026



Any children that have siblings who will be starting school in September 2026 and have not yet filled in a school supplementary form, please see Mrs Moran in the school office for a copy of the form. This is important as the admission process for September 2026 has already opened.

Open Days for Parents of Reception 2026

Wednesday 5th November 2pm &

Wednesday 26th November 2pm

Come and see our children in action, have a guided tour, ask questions, and pick up an Early Years Brochure. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

Farewell

We say goodbye to our Admin Officer Mrs Moran who is leaving us to join another school as a Business Manager.



We wish her the best of luck for the next chapter in her life.

Raffle Winners

Sophie	Y5/6
Kate	Y5/6
Emily	Y4/5
Isobelle	Y1
Samuel	Y2
Arvyn	YR

The money raised will go to the Daffodils Dreams charity.

Money raised this half term

Macmillan Bake Sale	£154.86
Silly Sock Day	£63.11
Daffodils Dreams	£132.75

Sickness bugs

Please note it is recommended to be off for 48 hours from the last episode of vomiting/diarrhoea to prevent it spreading in school. Thank you for your support.



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Education Sunday/Welcome to Reception Service

On Sunday **12th October at 10am**, the children will be participating in an Education Sunday service at Church, during which they will be singing songs or reading. This service will also welcome the new Reception children to our school, where their book bag will be blessed and they will be presented with a book.

The children will need to arrive for 9:45am in order to be seated before the service begins at 10am. It will finish at approximately 11am.

World Mental Health Day

On **Friday 10th October**, the children will be taking part in the World Mental Health Day.

We will be having a **non-uniform day** and would like the children to wear something that makes them feel good. No donations required.



Attendance

Congratulations to **Reception** on their attendance in September! Their attendance was the best in school with **96.4%**. Below is a list of each classes' attendance for September.

Year	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3/4	Y4/5	Y5/6	Total
%	96.4	96.3	94.1	91.0	93.1	94.4	93.7

School's target for attendance is 96%

Harvest Donations

The School Harvest Festival Service, which will be led by the children, will take place in church on **Monday 13th October** beginning at **1:30pm**.

We ask that as in previous years, donations of any tins, packets and dried goods can be brought into school on the morning of **Friday 10th October**.

Citizenships Awards

Well done to the pupils who have received the Citizenship Award in September. Citizenship Awards are given for displaying Christian/British values in and around school.

Child	Class
Sophie	Y5/6
Edee-Rose	Y4/5
Okafor	Y3/4
Raghad	Y2

School Closure

School closes for half term on **Friday, 24th October 2025** at the usual time. Pupils will return to school on **Monday, 3rd November 2025** at the normal time.



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Dairy Dates

School Church Service – in Church Led by YR	Friday 10 th October 2025
World Mental Health Day – Non-uniform day	Friday 10 th October 2025
Education Sunday/Welcome Reception Class – Church Service	Sunday 12 th October 2025. 10am
Tempest Photos in School – am Individual & siblings	Monday 13 th October 2025
Harvest Festival Service	Monday 13 th October 2025 – 1:30pm
School Church Service – In Church Led by Y5/6	Friday 17 th October 2025
Parents' Evening Whole School	Tuesday 21 st October & Wednesday 22 nd October 2025 3:30 – 7:00pm
Celebration Assembly – Infant	Thursday 23 rd October 2025
Celebration Assembly – Junior	Friday 24 th October 2025
Non-Uniform day – bring something for Christmas Fair Stall	Friday 24 th October 2025
School Closes for Half Term	Friday 24 th October 2025
School Open for Autumn Term 2	Monday 03 rd November 2025 8.50am
Open Day for parents of Reception 2025	Wednesday 5 th November 2025 – 2pm
Whole School Mini Enterprise	Thursday 06 th November & Friday 07 th November 2025