

Barvember!

This month is Barvember! It is a month to focus on bar modelling to support children in visualising and solving maths problems. Children in Years 1- Year 6 will be taking part in daily Bar Modelling problems each day

What is a bar model?

The bar model is a visual strategy to help solve number problems using different sized rectangles to represent numbers. The rectangles or 'bars' are proportional so that a larger number in a problem is represented by a larger bar. Sometimes calculations and word problems are difficult for children to visualise in their head and bar models help them to see the maths more clearly.

If you would like more information on bar modelling, please have a look at this website below:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-the-bar-model-method>

Teach Active Maths Week (9th-13th November)

Teach Active Maths week will be taking place next week! Children from Nursery to Year 6 will be taking part in a range of fun, active maths lessons which will not only support children's understanding of key mathematical concepts but will also help support children's physical development. These planned activities will link in with children's current class topics. At St Catherine's we have a passion for active learning and the many benefits that come with cross-curricular approaches. These benefits include improving attitudes and attainment, whilst also improving children's health and well-being.

Online Safety

Dear parents, more and more of our children are enjoying Roblox as a their gaming of choice. Here is a really helpful article outlining what you need to know as a parent to keep your children safe when playing.

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/roblox-parents%E2%80%99-guide-%E2%80%93-what-it-and-it-safe-your-child>

Did your child miss their Flu Immunisations?

If your child has missed the opportunity to have their flu vaccination you can contact the NHS Immunisation Team on 0208 447 3622 to arrange it at their follow up clinic for which they are currently taking bookings.

Reception 2021 Admissions

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, the application process is now open and information can be found on the Barnet website by clicking [HERE](#). If you have any queries please contact the Admissions team at Barnet on 020 8359 7651.

The closing date is 15th January 2021.

Parent SEN Conference

Next week Barnet are hosting a virtual SEN conference for parents and carers on Tuesday 10th Nov. Please see the link below to book you free place.

https://www.barnetlocaloffer.org.uk/senco_zone/events/32408-barnet-virtual-send-conference-2020

**Safeguarding is
our TOP
priority**

Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Catherine's is EVERYONES responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. Leaflets for parents and visitors outlining the school guidelines on safeguarding are available outside the school office. We also have a dedicated Safeguarding page on our website with a number of associated policies and details of our designated Safeguarding team. Please contact one of the team at any time if you have concerns.



Superhero Day!



Year 1 had a very exciting day launching our Superheroes topic. The children came to school dressed as their Superhero selves! We spent some time discussing real life Superheroes and what qualities we have that make us everyday Superheroes. You don't need superpowers to be a Superhero!

Matthew 25: 1-13

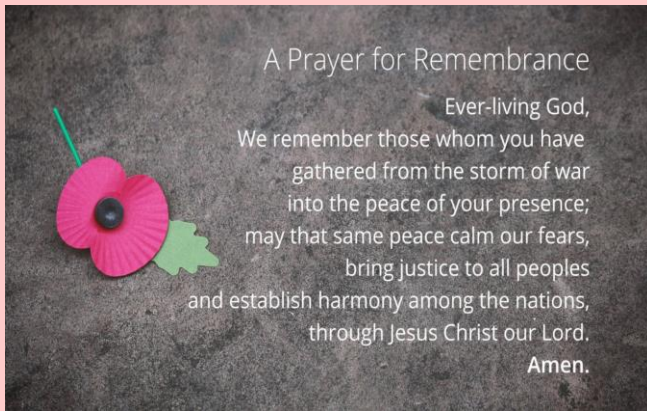
Sunday 8th November 2020

Jesus said: "At that time the Kingdom of heaven will be like this. Once there were ten young women who took their oil lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and the other five were wise. The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any extra oil with them, while the wise ones took containers full of oil for their lamps. The bridegroom was late in coming, so the women began to nod and fall asleep.

"It was already midnight when the cry rang out, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come and meet him!' The ten women woke up and trimmed their lamps. Then the foolish ones said to the wise ones, 'Let us have some of your oil, because our lamps are going out.' 'No, indeed,' the wise ones answered, 'there is not enough for you and for us. Go to the shop and buy some for yourselves.' So the foolish women went off to buy some oil; and while they were gone, the bridegroom arrived. The five who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast, and the door was closed.

"Later the other women arrived. 'Sir, sir! Let us in!' they cried out. 'Certainly not! I don't know you,' the bridegroom answered."

And Jesus concluded, "Be on your guard, then, because you do not know the day or the hour."



House Stars

Well done to all of our children who have earned stars this week!

Gabriel	264
Michael	283
Uriel	256
Raphael	255

The Week Ahead:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Remembrance Day 11am 2 minute silence		9:30am Prospective Parent Meeting

