



St Bonaventure's Pre-school Newsletter

Term 6

Monday 1st June – Monday 20th July 2026

I truly cannot believe that this is the last newsletter I will be writing this year—it has absolutely flown by. I would like to start by saying what an absolute delight it has been to get to know all of our wonderful children and their families this year. Watching each child's unique personality develop and shine has been a real privilege. They have grown into such a delightful group, showing confidence, independence, and kindness throughout the year. I know they will be sorely missed by the entire team, and we are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved. It has been a joy to be part of their journey, and we wish them all the very best as they move on to their next exciting adventure.

Important Date:
Monday 20th
July
the last day of
Pre-school

Starting Primary School

We believe the children are ready to begin their next educational adventure as they move on to primary school. We have been talking with them about their new schools, and during circle time they have enjoyed sharing information with their friends about their new classrooms and teachers. It has been wonderful and exciting for us to hear all about what they got up to during their school visits.

Keeping conversations positive and focusing on the exciting adventures ahead can help to ease any anxieties. However, if you notice any changes in your child's behaviour, please be reassured that this is completely normal. Starting primary school is a significant milestone and a big step in your child's journey.

On Friday 10th July, we held our End of Year Party. Although it was a very hot day, the children coped really well and appeared to thoroughly enjoy our pirate-themed celebration. Throughout the morning, they took part in treasure hunts, played games such as *Walk the Plank* and *Shark Island*, and, of course, enjoyed some delicious party food.



We have also had a fabulous time
with Becky and her Box of
Wonders, going on some great
imaginative adventures together.

I came across the following extract recently and felt it offered some really valuable insight, so I wanted to share it with you...

Let's talk about Term 6.

It's a tough one.

Really tough.

It's the longest term of the year. Temperatures are high. Everyone's tired, adults and child alike.

But for our young people, there's even more going on.

They're starting to feel it... The endings. The goodbyes. The looming changes that September will bring. New classes. New teachers. Maybe new schools.

It's a lot – even if they can't quite put it into words.

You might notice more emotional outbursts at home. Or a total shutdown after pre-school.

That's not you doing something wrong – it's after Pre-school restraint collapse.

They've been holding it together all day, and you're their safe place.

So, what can help?

Slow things down.

Stick to familiar routines.

Lower your expectations at home, and raise your connection.

Be gentle with them and with yourself.

Term 6 asks a lot of our young people.

Let's give them what they really need; safety, predictability, and room to feel what they're feeling.

You've got

*this and so
do they!*



We would like to say a very big **thank you** to Tom, Dom and Francois for the fantastic year of tennis sessions they have provided. The children have had so much fun taking part, and it has been wonderful to watch their confidence, coordination and tennis skills develop throughout the year.

We have seen some great talent beginning to shine through, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning new skills and taking part in the activities. We hope that some of you will continue to nurture your child's interest in tennis and encourage them to keep playing as they grow.

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Although we still have a few more days together and I hope to have the opportunity to see you all and say goodbye in person, I would like to take this chance to wish you and your families a wonderful summer holiday.

It has been a pleasure to be part of your children's journey, and I would like to thank you for your continued support throughout the year. As the children move on to their next exciting chapter, we wish them every happiness and success in the future.

Good luck to all our children as they begin their new adventures at primary school. We are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and will cherish many happy memories of our time together.

Have a fantastic summer, and we wish you all the very best for the future ahead.

From Marie and the Team

A few photos from the party



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