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PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for our school, our friends, and our families. Help us to be kind in our words, helpful in our actions, and thankful for the world around us.

Guide us to do our best today and to always look for ways to help others.

Amen.

CEO SPACE

This week we had a visit from Harbour Trust Partnerships, who were fascinated by our outdoor nurseries and the unique way our rural small/micro schools operate. During our visits, I was incredibly proud of how our students showcased their learning environments. A heartfelt thank you to all our schools and children for your support and for making our visitors feel so welcome! I also met with our Hub Leaders for valuable strategy updates.

ANTONY & ST MARTIN'S SCHOOLS TAKE ON THE 'CREATION CARE' AGENDA

A few children from Antony and St Martin's school, spent an inspiring day with Clare Green from the Diocese developing their 'Creation Care' agenda. Taking direct action for the environment, they have written to local MP's to request dedicated recycling, food, and general waste bins for their schools. Looking ahead, they plan to meet with local councillors to champion sustainable change for their communities.

Have a great weekend
Sean



Did you know? If we all recycled just one extra aluminium can, it would save enough energy to power a school computer for three hours! By asking for better recycling bins.



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A TASTE OF SCOTLAND: CELEBRATING BURNS NIGHT

This week, our classrooms have been full of Scottish spirit as the children prepared for Burns Night! We have been exploring the rich heritage of Scotland, with students busy designing and making their very own traditional kilts.

The children have also been diving into the wonderful world of Robert Burns, studying his famous poetry and learning about the traditions that make this celebration so special. It has been a fantastic way to bring history and literature to life through creativity and culture.



GET READY FOR BARNABASH! 2027

We are thrilled to announce that St Barnabas will be hosting our very first Trust-wide festival—BARNabash!—on 25th June 2027 at the stunning Port Eliot House & Gardens.

We have the date and the venue, now we need a design for the official festival logo. We invite all children, staff, and the wider community to submit their creative ideas. Your design must include:

- The festival name: BARNabash!
- Our theme: Bring It!
- Our Trust logo colours.

Please send your entries to BARNabash@stbarnabasmat.com by 6th February 2026.

We can't wait to see your vision for this historic event!



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A SUPER SUNDAY WITH THE EXETER CHIEFS!

Last Sunday, our students enjoyed an unforgettable trip to Sandy Park. The day was packed with action, including a stadium tour and a coaching session led by professional players.

The highlight was forming a guard of honour on the pitch to cheer the team on, followed by an exciting lap of the stadium at half-time! It was an incredibly inspiring day, and our children truly felt like part of the Chiefs family.

A massive thank you to Dave Barker for organising the visit, and to the dedicated staff who gave up their Sunday to make this amazing opportunity possible!

