



# St Bartholomew's School Parents' Handbook

## Co-Curricular Life at St Bart's

At St Bart's we are proud of the extensive range of co-curricular opportunities that we offer to our students. Throughout the academic year, your child will have the chance to be involved in a variety of different House events which involve competitions in music, dance, drama and sports. In addition to this, there are numerous PE matches and tournaments that take place each term, where students are able to compete with other local schools. We also invite a range of outside speakers into school and in previous years this has included politicians, local business leaders and children's authors. There are also workshops and conferences arranged, and in the past we have organised Wellbeing Days, Curriculum Days and Celebration Days. In Years 10 and 11, we offer a comprehensive enrichment programme to students, which includes activities such as CCF (Combined Cadet Force), Sports/Dance Leaders and Fitness.



## Trips and Visits

The school organises a wide range of inclusive trips for students across all year groups. Not only are these important for broadening our students' academic and cultural experiences, but they also support students' ongoing personal development. Day trips include visits to locations such as museums, theatres, historical sites and places of cultural significance. Residential trips are also regularly on offer with visits taking place to a number of different countries and offering a variety of experiences. In previous years we have offered trips such as foreign exchanges, fieldwork, sports tours, music tours, skiing, history trips, to name a few. At St Bart's we encourage all students to participate in the co-curricular side of life at St Bart's and are committed to continuing to offer broad, enriching and exciting co-curricular experiences for our students.

## Payment for School Trips, Events and Activities

### ParentPay is our chosen payment method

You will be able to use the online ParentPay system via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). Included in your welcome pack are instructions on how to set up your ParentPay account, together with a username and activation password. Once you have activated your account payments can be made. Please note that payment for lunches can only be made from September, or on or after the date your child is admitted.

Monies loaded in this way provide for immediate spending. When you log into your account you can select items to be added to the basket and then use the secure online checkout process to finalise your purchase.

### Cash and Cheques

Cash and cheques are no longer accepted as a payment method, unless under exceptional circumstances.