

Team Bartons



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This week the Book fair arrived in school and it has been great to see so many of the children visiting to browse the range of texts. There is something for every age group so if you haven't visited already, it will still be here on Monday. Please remember that for every book sold, the school gets a percentage of the total sales and that allows us to buy lots of new books for the library and classrooms.

Congratulations to the newly elected School Councillors and Mrs A Powell is looking forward to working with them all over the coming months. Today, the Year 6 children presented their speeches in assembly to persuade the children from their houses to vote for them. Good luck to all of the children who have put themselves forward and remember that we are proud of all of you for having a go, whatever the outcome!

Early Morning Club

As you know Early Morning Club runs every morning from 8.15am to help and support working families. We ask for a contribution of 50p per session to help towards the staffing and resources. This facility has always been flexible and popular and we value the importance of supporting our families. Recently, the numbers of children attending has grown and we are not sure that all of the children who are coming are attending because their parents are working. Can I please ask that parents use the facility because they need to rather than the children choosing to go. We will monitor the situation over the coming weeks; we don't want to make any changes to how it's run because the flexibility works but we may need to consider system changes if numbers continue to grow.

Macmillan Donation of Cakes



As you know we are holding a coffee afternoon next Friday at 2pm. We would appreciate lots of donations of small and larger cakes that we can then sell in aid of Macmillan. Please send in any cakes on the morning of the 29th. Thank you in advance for your great support.



Harvest Festival

The school will hold a special Harvest Festival assembly on Monday 9th October. Sadly Rev Ann left the parish in the summer but Rev Colin from Holy Cross Church has agreed to join us. This will be in celebration of harvest time, giving thanks for what we have. Through our moral and spiritual education, we want to raise the children's awareness of the plight of others and in particular, the homeless. The charity which we will support is the local charity Stone Pillow. On the morning of Monday 9th October, we would like the children to bring in much needed items that we can give to the charity. Here is a list of items that we would like classes to contribute, naturally, if you are able to.

As a guide please could:

Elm, Beech & Chestnut: bring any of these items:

Coffee, sugar, biscuits, tinned vegetables, tinned meats, tinned pies, mayonnaise or salad cream.

Lime & Willow: bring any of these items:

Salt, mustard, ground pepper, ground spices or dried herbs, tinned puddings, tinned or powdered custard or tinned fruit.

Cedar and Hazel: bring any of these items:

Squash or cordial, packet cake mix, milk powder or UHT Long life milk, cooking oil, fresh fruit or vegetables.

Ash and Oak: bring any of these items:

Cleaning products, tin foil, bin liners, toilet roll, washing powder or hand wash.

We hope that you will be able to help us support this worthy cause and thank you in advance.

Absence Requests and Messages

Can I remind parents that all requests for absence should be made at least 5 days before the absence is needed. Also, please can parents ensure that any reasons for absence are genuine. Recently, there have been some occasions where the children have given staff a different version of why they have not been at school. The school do have the right to record absence as 'unauthorised' if the reason is not felt to be genuine. Thank you for your co-operation.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

On Friday 29th September, we are holding a coffee afternoon in support of the Macmillan charity. We hope that you will be able to come along at 2pm where you can enjoy a cuppa and some cake, have a chat with other parents and meet me and members of the Friends.