

# TEAM BARTONS



## NEWSLETTER 7 22ND OCTOBER 2021

It seems that autumn has definitely arrived and it is hard to believe that we have already been back to school for a whole half term. The children have been amazing this term busy working hard in lessons. Last week, a group of Year 6 pupils acted as tour guides for our Open Afternoon. I was so proud of them because they showed confidence and real pride and for their school to the visitors. Very well done! Next week is the half term break and we return on Monday 1st November as normal. Stay safe and well and have lots of family fun time.

### PARENTS EVENING AND TARGET SHEETS

Please make sure that you have booked your timed appointment on ParentMail for our forthcoming Parent Consultation sessions. This is the first time that we have organised appointments in this way and we feel it will make things much easier for you.

Please remember that on the evenings, in order to limit the amount of people in the building, we would like parents to enter the school site through the normal main gate (by Elm class) and wait outside your child's classroom door outside. The teacher will invite you into the classroom when they are ready and parents will need to exit via the same classroom door and leave the site through the exit gate by the playground. Today, you will receive a Progress and Attainment Target sheet that will inform you of your child's termly targets and the class teacher's judgement of their attitude and attainment in learning towards age related expectations. This information can be explained and discussed at the Parents Consultation with the teacher so bring them with you. To ensure that we stick to time, please remember appointments are only 10 minutes long.

### HALLOWEEN DISCO



Thank you to the Friends of Bartons who put on a 'spooky' yet great disco for the children. The children had a wonderful time!! Thank you to all of the volunteers who organised the event, to the staff who stayed to support the children and to Mr Hayne for putting together the play list. Good fun was had by all!

### WELCOME AND GOODBYE



In the last few weeks, we have welcomed Starlah and Jake to Team Bartons. We hope you have enjoyed your time here so far! Also, we welcome two new members of staff. Welcome to Miss Jeffries who is our new Learning Mentor and to Mrs Martin, who is working as a teaching assistant in Elm class. We hope you will be very happy here.

Today, we say goodbye to Alexander who is leaving us to go to a new school. We are sorry to see you go but I know that you will enjoy all of your new challenges.

### EARLY MORNING CLUB CHANGES

Our online booking and payment facility using ParentMail for Early Morning Club is now live for booking after half term. Please look for 'Notification for Booking of Early Morning Club' in ParentMail. This change is at the request of parents and will help streamline the system for school staff. This week, we sent out a letter of instructions that explains what you will need to do. Places will need to be booked and paid for at the same time so that a register can be generated ahead of the mornings; this can be done from now until the end of this term if you need to or you can book from week to week as required. Sessions should be booked a week ahead please. Sessions are £1 and Early Morning Club is for the children of **working parents only** to ensure smaller numbers of children. Please be patient as it is a new system and if you have any questions or queries then contact Miss Camp in the school office who will be able to help you. We realise that this is a change to the system that we have done for many years and may take getting used to but this will be easier for all of us and brings us in line with most other schools. Feedback from parents so far has been very positive. Thank you.

*Have a great half term! Best wishes, Kate Powell*