

TEAM BARTONS



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This week, the children have been back to more normal lessons following the success of Enrichment Week last week. Enrichment Week was a great success and the impact that it had on learning for the children was immense. Opportunities to learn new and different things, outside of the curriculum, are so important and the teachers and children totally embraced the country that they were studying. Last Friday, we ran two Covid safe 'bubble' showcase assemblies and the children were able to share with each other aspects of their work. I really enjoyed being in the hall with the children again and seeing the pride and delight on their faces as they explained what they had done and what they had enjoyed. Even I learnt some new facts; I particularly enjoyed hearing about the tomato festival in Spain in Year 5 from Rowan and NeoKwame and the Australian 'bush tucker trials' in Year 6. Don't worry, they weren't eating any animal parts or insects. Well done everyone; it was great fun and you all learnt so much.

LIBRARY UPDATE

I'm sure you may have wondered where we are on the fundraising for the new library. The pandemic, over the last 15 months, has greatly hampered our efforts and put us back in getting the new library installed and established. We are still in talks with the company and are very close to the funding target. My hope is that with everything considered, in terms of the environment, that we will have it installed this year. This is, of course, overdue but has been totally out of our control.

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YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

Next week, Cedar class will finally go on their residential trip to the PGL activity centre at Marchents Hill. This trip is an annual event for Year 6 and has been rearranged several times so we are all thrilled that they can finally go. All the necessary steps have been taken and we know that they are going to have a wonderful time. These outward bound trips are really important for children; not only do they create lasting memories but they also help to enhance their personal skills such as self-confidence, self-esteem and a sense of team. We hope that you all have a great time and as ever, thank you to Mr Hayne for organising the trip and to Miss Clark and Miss Geall for going too and supporting the children.

SUMMER FAIR AND NON-UNIFORM DAY

Due to the continuing Covid restrictions, we have had to make changes to events planned this half-term. This includes the summer fair. The summer fair will now be held virtually on-line and the Friends of Bartons are busy planning and organising the event to run from the 5th July for two weeks. It will be similar to the Christmas fair which was very well received by families. The scheduled 'non-uniform day' that should have been today has therefore been changed to the **9th July** to coincide with the virtual fair. On that day, please can the children bring a contribution of £1 for the privilege of being in their own clothes. Details to follow shortly from FoBs.

USEFUL DATES

Friday 2nd July: Sports morning.

All children will need to be in their P.E kit and wearing their House T-shirt. Sadly, parents cannot attend but we are planning on filming some aspects of the competitive events and making them available to you to view.

Have a great weekend! Kate Powell