

# Team Bartons



## Bartons Primary School Newsletter 10 1st December 2016

This week we have seen temperatures drop considerably and so here is a gentle reminder to make sure that the children have a named warm coat, hat, gloves and a scarf in school so that they can stay warm at playtimes. Luckily, the children do run around outside and so the majority don't seem to feel the cold. I can hardly believe that we are approaching the end of the autumn term and that I have completed (and survived) my first term at Bartons. It has been a very busy term but I have enjoyed getting to know the children, parents, staff and Governors of our lovely school. As I reflect on the past few months, I thought you would like to know that the things that have stood out for me. Firstly, we are fortunate to have amazing staff and Governors who really care and work hard for all of the children. In whichever role they do, they are here for the children and do it with dedication and commitment. They do go over and above the norm! Secondly, the children are happy and really enjoy learning. They are also caring of each other and have shown a collective great sense of humour. Thirdly, there is a lot of laughter in this school and a thirst to do things better even when things are great already. Thank you Team Bartons; you are all stars and I look forward to spring, to see where the learning journeys take us and where we try even more new things.

### School Website

Please remember to check the school website for up to date newsletters, class pages and information. New information is added every week so if you are unsure of any dates or want to know what the children are doing then you should be able to find what you need on there.



### Christmas Tree and Decorations

Thank you so much for all of your kind donations of Christmas trees and decorations. We have been bowled over by your generosity and are really grateful that you have been able to help us. We want to make the school look really Christmassy for the children and now will be able to. Thank you so much.

### Consent Form and Home School Agreement

We are still waiting for the return the yellow consent forms and pink Home-School Agreements from some families. We need them back from every family so please return them as soon as possible if you haven't already done so. Thank you.



### Christmas Fair

#### Friday 2nd December

The Christmas Fair is Friday! Please do come along to start feeling Christmassy! There will be lots of different stalls, chances to win lots of great prizes, special 100 square draw and lots more. It will start at 3.30pm; see you there!



### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper day is Thursday 15th December. Please wear your favourite Christmas jumper or a decorated jumper for a donation to Save the Children. Please note the children do not need to wear their school uniform on this day.

### Christmas Party 1.30 - 3.15pm

The children's Christmas party is on Thursday 8th December in the afternoon. The children can wear their best party clothes to school but do remember that they need to stay warm and footwear should be sensible for playtimes. Malcolm the Magician will again be entertaining the children with his brilliant magic show and the children will have the opportunity to have party snacks later in the afternoon. We will provide these so you do not need to.

### Year 1 and 2 Christmas Production

Next week we look forward to the Year 1 and 2 production of 'Little Angel gets her Wings.' Tickets are available from the school office. For details, check the letter that went out yesterday.

### Farewell at the end of term

Sadly, at the end of term, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Holleyfield who is the teaching assistant in Willow class. Mrs Holleyfield has worked at Bartons for over 24 years and has been an amazing member of staff, working with many people and who has seen many changes over the years. We are very sad to lose her but after her dedication, she wants to concentrate on her family. We will miss her very much but we know that she will keep in touch and pop in when she can. The school are planning some 'surprises' but if you would like to arrange something for her yourself then please do so. Last week we appointed Mrs Grantham-Rix who will start at Bartons in the new year.