

Bartons Primary School Newsletter 21 15th February 2019

It has been a good half term and despite the horrible winter bugs and illnesses, the children have continued to work hard and have really developed their skills. Science Week was a particular highlight and all of the children showed great excitement towards their work explored. The children really enjoyed the snowy weather and I loved seeing their smiley faces and hearing their squeals of delight as they worked in groups to build snow families. Check out the photos on the school gallery on the website.

There are more exciting things planned for after half term and following the children's much needed rest, the staff will look forward to seeing what the children can achieve. Please have a lovely half term, full of family fun and we will see the children back on Tuesday 26th February.

Creative Arts Day

On Thursday, the children enjoyed a focused day of creative arts as part of our enjoyment of themed cross-curricular work. The children loved having quality time to develop their artistic skills and the atmosphere in school was wonderful with some excellent work created. Mrs Hillier worked with small groups of talented pupils from across the school to create some fabulous 'hands' sketches and Matisse style pictures. Well done to everyone and thank you to Mrs Hillier for co-ordinating the day.

The Big Battery Hunt 2019

After half term, the School Council will launch the Big Battery Hunt' where they will ask you all to save and collect used batteries at home. This is a national campaign and there will be prizes that can be won. Please start collecting any sized used batteries and more details will follow.

<u>Pancake Day</u>

Chartwells, our school meal provider, are celebrating Pancake day on Tuesday the 5th March. All KS1 children who normally have a hot meal will automatically get one but if they normally have a packed lunch but you would like them to have a pancake on that day then please let the school office know by the end of the day on Friday 15th February. Meals cost £2.35 and KS2 children will need to order by Sunday 24th February bv directly to Chartwells at <u>www.mealselector.co.uk</u>

Parents Evening Sign Up Sheets

The Parent Consultation Evening sign up sheets are still available in the library area. Please pop in to sign up for an appointment as soon as you can. If you aren't able to sign up in person because you don't do the school run or pick up then please call the school office where they will be happy to help you find a suitable slot. The Parents Evenings dates are Tuesday the 5th March (4.30pm -7.30pm) and Thursday 7th March (3.30pm -5.30pm).

<u>Half Term</u>

The half term break has arrived and is from Monday 18th February until Friday 22nd February. There is also an INSET day on Monday 25th February and school will be closed to pupils then. We will welcome the children back on Tuesday 26th February.

<u>Book Fair</u>

Due to popular demand the Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Bartons after half term and will run from Wednesday 20th March until Monday 25th March. The more books that you buy will enable us to buy lots of books for the children and for the library. Please come along and have a look at the latest books on offer. Thank you for your continued support.

Diary Date Reminders...

FEBRUARY 18th - 22nd: HALF TERM 25th: INSET DAY - School closed for pupils MARCH 11th: BOOK WEEK 12th: Bedtime Story Years R - 3 (5pm -6pm) 13th: Dressing Up Character day 15th: Red Nose day - Non-uniform day donation of £1 18th:Sharing of work invitation for parents at 3.15pm - 3.45pm 19th: Sharing of work invitation for parents at 8.45am - 9.15am APRIL 4th: Easter Egg Hunt 5th: Easter Egg Raffle draw and End of Term Have a great week! Have fun. Kate Powell