

Team Bartons



Bartons Primary School Newsletter 13 28th April 2017

Welcome

Welcome back to school and I trust that you all had a lovely break. I think we were very fortunate in having good weather which did allow for some outdoor fun. My family enjoyed an ice cream or two and I hope that you had some quality family time together. The children have returned to school enthusiastic and ready for the term ahead. There is much to look forward to and I have included some updated dates for you. The children are very excited about our forthcoming KS2 production of Annie and more details will follow. I'm sure you will recall that we have decided that as the school changes to an all-through primary school, that it is important to meet the needs of the older children. By spreading opportunities for performances evenly across the year; this will ensure that there is more time to produce outstanding productions and more can be involved.

Maths Week (2nd May to the 5th May)

Based on the success of Book Week, we have planned a Maths Week to give the children further opportunities to explore creative and exciting Maths activities and to raise the profile of Maths. Since January, we have been using the Numicon Maths teaching approach which supports learning by giving children a range of concrete resources to use to explore their reasoning and problem solving skills. We would like to explain more about the Numicon approach to you and so there will be a Maths Workshop for parents on 22nd May starting at 2.30pm.

Staying Safe Online

This week, we have installed a search engine called KidRex on to our computers and laptops. KidRex only displays websites that are suitable for children and limits the unsuitable content that you might find on others such as Google or Bing. If you would like to find out more, go to www.kidrex.org/parents or you can find the link on our website. There is also information about how you can make KidRex your homepage for your budding web explorers to use at home! We hope you find it useful.



Useful Diary Dates for the Summer Term

Here are some dates that we have so far for this term. Class Assembly dates are included here.

MAY

- 1st: Bank Holiday - School closed
- 2nd: The start of Maths Week
- 2nd: INVESTIGATIVE MATHS DAY for the children.
- 10th: Science Workshop day for KS2.
- 11th: Class Photos
- 22nd: Maths Workshop for Parents at 2.30pm in hall.
- 25th: Science Investigation Day
- BEECH CLASS Assembly at 9.15am
- 26th: English Workshop for parents at 2.30pm in hall.
- (29th May - 2nd June - HALF TERM)

JUNE

- 5th: INSET Day - School closed to pupils.
- 8th: OAK CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- 15th: ASH CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- New Yr R Parents Meeting (only for pupils starting in September '17) @ 1.45pm.
- 22nd: HAZEL CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- 26th: Children's Art Exhibition - details to follow
- 27th: Children's Art Exhibition - am.
- 29th: ELM CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- 30th: Sports Day Afternoon starting 1pm.
- Family picnic from 12 o'clock. Please bring deck chairs & blankets to sit on.

JULY

- 6th: Reserve Day Sports Day Afternoon
- 7th: INSET Day - School closed to pupils
- 10th: Dress Rehearsal for 'Annie' @ 9.15am.
- Parents with toddlers can join us for this.
- 11th: Years 3, 4 & 5 Summer Production of 'Annie'.
- Performances @ 2pm & 6pm. To ensure that there are no distractions for the children, no toddlers will be allowed for these performances.
- 12th: Last performance of Annie.
- 13th: WILLOW CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- 14th: CHESTNUT CLASS Assembly at 9.15am.
- Reports to go out to Parents
- 18th: Changeover morning (Children spend time in their new classroom)
- 20th: LIME CLASS Assembly.
- 24th: Thank you Tea Party for invited guests.
- 25th: End of Term.
- Happy Holidays Everyone!

Attendance Cup



Congratulations to Beech class who won the Attendance Cup this week with 99.19%. In the hall we now have a 'Team Bartons' display board that will show the winners of the Attendance Cup each week and the totals of the house points for each House.

Easter Raffle

At the end of term, the Friends of Bartons ran an Easter raffle for the chance to win an Easter Egg hamper. I thought you would like to know that the raffle raised £205 which is amazing. Thank you!
Enjoy your long weekend! Kate Powell