

Team Bartons



Bartons Primary School Newsletter 4 2nd October 2020

I can hardly believe that we are now into October and the weather has definitely become more autumnal. Please ensure that your child is therefore bringing a named coat every day because they will be outside during break times. The first month back at school has gone very well. The children are happy and settled and I am proud of their positive attitudes towards 'following the rules' and 'doing the right thing'. Behaviour has been exemplary in the majority of classes and the staff are loving teaching their classes.

Maths Week 19th - 23rd October



It's nearly time for our annual Maths week. It's a great opportunity for the children to take part in a wide range of Maths activities. In school, we will be focussing on Times Table Rock Stars. On Friday 23rd October, we would like the children to come dressed to school as a 'Rock Star'. KS2 children can come dressed as their TT Rock Star avatar (they will know what their avatar looks like). For the privilege of dressing up as a Maths Rock Star, a donation of £1 to support our online Maths resources, which can be used at home, would be appreciated. 'Numbots' is a new online platform that we have to practice addition and subtraction facts. EYFS and KS1 children will have a Numbots login and KS2 can also access it too using their TT Rock Stars login. If you have any questions then please ask your class teacher. We hope you will support this day but it is not compulsory. You will need to download the apps onto a tablets/phone. Children learn number and table facts best when they practice daily for 10 minutes every day. Please encourage your child to use Numbots and TT Rock Stars regularly at home to help their Maths. As we say, practise makes permanent! Thank you.

Headteacher: Mrs Kate Powell Deputy Headteacher: Mrs A Powell

Pick up Times

The staff have noticed that at pick up times after school, some children who are waiting for siblings to finish school are not being supervised properly by parents. Some are running around including running across the field and some children are being allowed to ride their bikes and scooters on the pathways. At the end of the day, there are a lot of people collecting children so I must insist that you to keep your children next to you and they are NOT to ride their bikes or scooters within the school grounds. This week, we also witnessed a child from Beech class being taken for a wee in the corner of the field. Please **DO NOT** do this. At times like these, it is important that everyone follows the rules. The staff have worked hard to put a safety plan in place and so we expect the school community to be respectful of this. Thank you for your support.

Footpath Closure

Berkeley Homes have informed us that the temporary footpath coming off Chichester Road, leading to Mackintosh Drive, will be closed permanently from the 19th October. Please access The Boulevard instead.

New House Captains

Congratulations to our new Year 6 House Captains who were announced this week following the school elections. The children elected were thrilled and we are looking forward to watching them lead their House with enthusiasm and pride.

The new House captains are:

Unicorn: Jensen & Malaika
George & Harry (Vice)

Dragon: Peter & Emi-Jo

Phoenix: Hayden & Grace
Carys (Vice)

Pegasus: Jack & Henry

Stars of the Week and Maths Master

From this week onwards, the names of the children awarded the Stars of the Week and the Maths Master certificates in class will be on the school website in the Pupils section. Well done to this weeks recipients—I loved seeing you all.

Have a great weekend! Regards Kate Powell

Co- Chairs of Governors: Mrs C. Neaves and Mrs A. Oyns