



TEAM BARTONS

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I would like to welcome Finley to Bartons who started in Lime class this week. We hope that you have had a great week and that you will be very happy here.

This week, the children have continued to work hard and to show visitors their amazing and positive behaviours to learning in all lessons. On Tuesday, some of our Governors observed English lessons to see the resources used and how the children respond to them. They were very pleased with what they saw and were very complimentary of the teachers too. Great work and well done everyone!

Christmas Carol Afternoon



On Wednesday the 14th December at 2.15pm, we will hold a Christmas carol afternoon for the families of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6. Tickets are available now to buy for 50p each. To cover our costs; the ticket price is low. Ordering on ParentMail has been difficult because ParentMail's settings won't allow a purchase of 50p so instead, please pop in to the school office or telephone Ms Camp for your tickets. Sorry for any inconvenience caused but fortunately there is plenty of time before the lovely Christmassy afternoon.

School Start Times

I want to remind you all again that we will be changing the start of the school day **from the 3rd January** in accordance with the new guidance from the DfE, Children have to be in school 32.5 hours per week and so we need to adjust the time of the start of the school day.

There are signs all around school with this information on.

It will be as follows:

- * **The gates will open at 8.35am.**
- * **Class doors will be open for the children at 8.40am**
- * **Children must be in class ready to learn by 8.45am.**
- * **The gates will be locked at 8.50am.**
- * **Late arrivals after 8.50am will be marked as late.**

Early Morning Club times will not be affected. Please ensure that you will be ready for this change. Thank you.

Christmas Market 2nd December at 3.30pm

Don't forget that our long awaited Christmas Market is just around the corner; we would love to see as many of you and your family/friends there. The Friends of Bartons have worked hard to bring you lots of great stalls and a lot of Christmas cheer. Thank you for all of your contributions sent into school today. We very much appreciate your help.

Chartwells Hot Meal Ordering with ParentPay

You should now be in receipt of a paper copy of your activation code, to be able to log-in to ParentPay, to submit the hot meal options your child is having. Please note even if your child is bringing in a packed lunch from home this also needs to be logged too, as every child has to be accounted for. Please remember that this is a new system being introduced by West Sussex County Council and this is not the school's decision and we are unable to opt out.

Currently 43% of parents have activated their accounts which equate to 89 activated and 117 not activated. We have had some great feedback in how easy the new system is to use - thank you! Please do this as soon as you can because if you don't, you may have problems in the future.

Children in Need 'Spotacular Bake Off'

Thank you to everyone who supported our Children in Need day last Friday. We loved seeing all of the pyjamas and we were so impressed with all 80 entries to our 'spotacular bake off' competition. I really enjoyed judging and tasting the entries along with Rev. Jo and Mrs A. Powell. Thank you to all of the entrants; it was a very hard decision! We judged 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each age group and awarded additional prizes for tasty great efforts. Well done to everyone but the lucky winners were: Evelyn, Milly and Aiden (Years R - 3) and Lena, Arthur and Jake (Years 4 - 6). Thank you to Mrs A. Powell and the School Council for organising the day and we raised an impressive £405.



Have a great weekend. Best wishes Kate Powell