

Team Bartons



Bartons Primary School

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As we come to the end of this spring first half term, there is much to be happy about. Our Ofsted report was published and finally recognised the 'Good' achievements of the school, the children have been on many trips and the children are producing some amazing work. This week, we had Internet Safety day and the children learnt about how to stay safe online. As part of this, PC Aldridge visited Year 5 and 6 to talk about social media and the dangers of sharing information. Today is Creative Arts day and the children have been working in different art groups across the school to make special creative art pieces.

Young Voices

On Thursday 6th February, a group of Year 4, 5 and 6 children went to the Young Voices choir concert at the O2 in London. After months of practising, the children joined many thousands of children from across the country to sing and dance to a range of songs. It was a very long day but Mrs Olliver was thrilled with the exemplary behaviour of our children. Every single one of them sang their hearts out and had a great time. Huge thanks to Mrs Olliver for organising the trip and to Mrs Pett, Miss Geall and Mrs Neaves who supported the children. I'm sure that the children will remember that moment for the rest of their lives. Well done everyone! I know you all really enjoyed it.

Ash Class and the Visit to the Novium Museum

On Tuesday, Ash class visited the Novium Museum in Chichester and took part in a unique workshop celebrating the launch of the exhibition of the Bersted 'Mystery Warrior'. This exhibition celebrates the extremely rare find of the most elaborately equipped Iron Age warrior grave ever found in England. This grave was found very close to our school. In the workshop, the children had the opportunity to see the artefacts up close and to find out lots of information about the 'mystery warrior'. Mrs Calton said that the whole experience was amazing and the children had loved every moment. Well done Ash class.

INSET Day

Don't forget that after half term, **Monday 24th February is an INSET day** and the school will be closed to pupils. We will welcome the children back on Tuesday 25th February.

Travelling Book Fair



To coincide with Book Week, the Travelling Book Fair will be in school from the 28th February until the 5th March after school. Please come along to have a look at the books on sale and remember that the more books we sell, the more new books we can choose for our new library.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening appointment times are now available in the library. If you haven't signed up already then make sure that you book a time to see your child's class teacher. Parents Consultation Evenings this term are Tuesday 3rd March and Wednesday 4th March. Today your child will bring home up to date information that will let you know where your child is in relation to their learning and against the end of year expectations for their year group. This can be discussed at parents evening. Some of the Governors will attend both evenings as they have done so before. Please do chat to them and they will be happy to answer any of your questions. They will also provide refreshments for a donation of 20p. Thank you.

Gymnastics Club

Our current Gymnastics after school club has spaces for children in Years 1 to 4. It runs on a Tuesday and the Gym teacher, Helen Jennings, is keen to grow the numbers so that the club can continue. The children who attend really enjoy it and so we would like to keep the club going. Sessions cost £4.50. If you are interested then please pop into the school office for more information.

Lucky Girls

A few weeks ago, Maicey and Annalisa were lucky enough to meet the famous author Julia Donaldson at a local book signing. They had their picture taken with her and she also signed some books for them. They also got a copy of The Gruffalo signed for the school which they showed to the children in assembly. Thank you very much Gary and the girls for getting such a special book for us. We will treasure it and I have already seen many children reading it in the library.

Have a great half term everyone. Stay safe and warm. Best wishes Kate Powell