

# Team Bartons



## Bartons Primary School Newsletter 19 31st January 2020

This week has been another busy one and started rather excitingly with our visit from a Team GB athlete. The children and staff absolutely loved meeting him and we were able to raise money to help British athletics.

Back in November, we started a new teaching and learning approach to phonics using the Read, Write Inc programme. The KS1 staff have worked hard to put the new programme in place and the children have daily phonic teaching in small groups. This has been very successful in improving the children's phonic skills and on Tuesday, our Read, Write Inc trainer visited school to observe practice and to support colleagues. Our trainer was really pleased in what she saw and how much the school has achieved in a short time. We are really pleased in how it is going and we will continue to develop this programme further.

### The Parent English Workshop

Thank you to everyone who came along to the English parent workshop this week. I hope that you enjoyed it and found it useful. Thank you to Mr Hayne and Mrs Reynolds who had prepared the afternoon for you.

### Novium Museum - Mystery Warrior Exhibition

You may have seen in the local press, that last week the Novium Museum in Chichester launched their new 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. As the nearest school to the grave, we were invited to be involved in a series of special events celebrating this find. Ash class will work with The Novium over the next few months. Please see the flier for information about the family days at the Bersted Community Centre and the exhibition in Chichester. I hope you will visit and see this amazing discovery.

### Team GB Athlete and Sponsorship



TEAM GB



On Monday, we welcomed Luke Lennon-Ford to Bartons and the children worked with him, taking part in a range of fitness activities. Each class had a session with him in the hall and they had a great time. At the end of the morning, he then took assembly where he told the children about his achievements and gave them some inspirational words of advice. Thank you to everyone who collected lots of sponsors and as a school we raised £1409.76. That means that we helped Team GB raise £809.76 towards their training programmes and we raised £600 towards replenishing our sports equipment. Well done to Hazel class who collected the most sponsorship money and to all of the children who collected over £35 worth of sponsorship. You lucky children got a photo with Luke. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event and making it a really fun day. Special thanks to Mrs Morris who organised the event and to Mrs Toone and Mrs Cogger who co-ordinated the logistics.

### Aspire Parent Learning Course

Aspire run adult education courses for parents and we have arranged for them to deliver a 5 week course entitled Managing Your Child's Behaviour. This is a free course that will take place in the Willow room in school on Thursday afternoons. We think you will find it really useful so if you are interested, please return the flier to the school office by 6th February. Thank you.

### Cold Weather



The colder weather has returned and so please can I remind parents that the children would benefit from having a warm coat as well as a hat, gloves and scarf in school for break times. All items should be named so that if they get lost, they can be returned to their rightful owner. Thank you for your support.

### Valentines Disco

The Friends of Bartons will be organising a Valentines disco on Friday 14th February. Details will follow shortly so please look out for further information very soon.

*Have a great weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell*