



# TEAM BARTONS

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## Measles: Important Information

We have been asked by the DfE in conjunction with the NHS, to highlight the increasing cases of measles in children across England. It's an infection that spreads very easily and for some people can cause serious problems. There's no specific medical treatment for measles, so it's important to get vaccinated as it's the best protection against becoming seriously unwell. The measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine is one of the routine childhood vaccinations, so most children are already vaccinated against measles. If your child has received both doses of the vaccine, they are unlikely to have the virus.

### **What are the symptoms of measles?**

Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms, followed by a rash a few days later. Some people may also get small spots in their mouth.

### **What should you do if you think your child has measles?**

You should ask for an urgent GP appointment or get help from NHS 111 if you think you or your child may have measles. Don't go to the GP or any other healthcare setting without calling ahead first. If your child has been diagnosed with measles by a doctor, they should stay off nursery or school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system. **Find out more on the NHS website.**

## Useful Diary Dates 2024 (All dates are on the school website)

- 6th February: Safer Internet Day in school
- 9th February: Target Sheets home & Valentine Disco
- 12th February: HALF TERM (12th - 16th)
- 19th February: INSET DAY - School closed to pupils**
- 20th February: Back to school
- 4th - 8th March: Book Week - details to follow
- 12th & 13th March: Parents Consultation Evenings
- 15th March: Creative Arts day & Red Nose day (£1)

## School Community Expectations of Conduct

At Bartons, we value the positive relationships forged with parents, carers and visitors to the school. We encourage close links with parents, and the community and believe that pupils benefit from these. We place a high importance on good manners, positive communication and mutual respect. The vast majority of the school community are keen to work with us and are supportive of the school. However, on rare occasions when a negative attitude towards the school is expressed, this can result in rudeness, aggression, verbal and/or physical abuse towards members of the school community. This also includes mail, email and social media. Just as staff members are expected to be professional, the Governing Body and I expect parents and carers to act and behave in a respectful, reasonable way being good role models for the children and upholding our school values.

Recently, there have been instances of rudeness and unacceptable behaviour shown by some parents. As a school, we will not tolerate such attitudes towards staff and members of the school community. The Governing Body in conjunction with the Headteacher and WSCC, will take action, if necessary, in removing the implied permission to be on the school premises. Unacceptable behaviour may include shouting at staff, intimidation, aggressive acts and/or body language, swearing and threatening behaviour either in person or via email/social media. **Please read the Parent Code of Conduct on the website.**

## Valentines Disco

On Friday 9th February, there will be a Valentines Disco. Here are the details. These have also been sent out already and tickets are now available to buy on ParentPay. Start the half term with a good boogie!

*Have a good weekend. KP*

