



# TEAM BARTONS

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## Year 2 trip to Arundel Castle

On Thursday, Chestnut class went to Arundel Castle on a trip. The class had a wonderful day and saw lots of great things connected to their topic. Miss Yardley was really happy how enthusiastic the children were. Well done Chestnut class!

## Important Visitors from Oxford University Press

Over the last few weeks, we have been visited by some very important senior members of the Numicon and publishing team from The Oxford University Press. They observed Maths teaching, the children's attitudes to learning and the standard of Maths across the school. I am thrilled to tell you that they found the children to be exceptional in their abilities to talk about their Maths work. They found the teaching of Maths outstanding and have validated our belief that the Numicon approach is strong and embedded at Bartons. Huge congratulations to the staff and thank you to Mrs Lewis for leading Maths and liaising with OUP.

## Scaffolding on Site

You will have noticed that we currently have some scaffolding up in school next to the school hall and library. This is for some investigation work into a persistent leak that we have had for some time. We are not sure how long it will be in place for but we are confident that they will find the cause of the leak, finally. The scaffolding and works are all being conducted safely and the children are aware of the areas that are out of bounds.

## Violin Music Lessons

This week, we were visited by Natalia, a teacher from West Sussex Music, who played the violin in assembly to show the children the joy of playing a violin and what it sounds like. Natalia will be offering violin lessons to any pupils **from Year 2 upwards** who would like to learn to play. She will offer a **free** taster violin lesson to any interested pupils next week. If you are interested then the lessons, in school time, would have to be paid for. There are funding bursaries for pupils in receipt of the Free School Meals. Please let the office know if you are considering this great opportunity for your child.



## Team Rubicon Scooter and Skateboard Workshop (Years 1 - 6)

On Tuesday, Team Rubicon visited us and delivered some exciting scooter and skateboard workshops to the children in Years 1 to 6. The children really enjoyed the sessions and learnt how to ride them safely and they learnt some tricks. It was great to see the children develop their skills and have lots of fun. Well done everyone! Here is William, in Cedar class, mid-air performing a jump. This is a brilliant action shot!

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

- 13th May: Year 6 SAT's - All Year 6 pupils must attend. No absence granted.
- 22nd May: Messy Church
- 24th May: Colour Run afternoon rearranged date.
- 27th - 31st May: HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED
- 3rd June: Back to school - ENRICHMENT WEEK -WW2 History focussed week.
- 6th June: 80th Anniversary Celebration day for D-Day. Dress up in WW2 costume. Activities and details to follow.
- 10th June: Year 6 Enterprise Week - details to follow
- 14th June: Non - uniform day for Summer fair donations. Details to follow.
- 18th June: New Year R parents (September) meeting at 1.30pm.
- 19th June: Year 6 Treat day.
- 21st June: Summer fair 3.30pm - 5pm.
- 24th June: Year 6 Treat day.
- 26th June: Messy Church after school
- 28th June: Sports day morning - starting at 9.30am.
- 1st July: Big Sing Event pm for Year 5.
- 2nd July: Sharing of Work 3.15pm - 3.45pm.
- 3rd July: Sharing of Work 8.40am - 9am.
- 4th July: Reserve day for Sports morning.  
Area Athletics Competition for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (selected athletes.)
- 8th July: Dress rehearsal and relaxed performance for summer production.
- 9th July: Summer production by Years 4, 5 and 6 at 2pm and 6pm.
- 10th July: Evening production at 6pm.
- 11th July: Year 6 trip to Festival of Speed
- 12th July: School Reports home to parents
- 19th July: **Last day of Term.** Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 2pm.
- 3rd September: Back to School - start of the Autumn term.
- HALF TERM: 28th October - 1st November 2024.

Have a great weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell