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DREAM | BELIEVE | ACHIEVE

Young Voices 20th January

On Monday, Mrs Knights took the school choir to be part of the Young Voices concert at the O2 in London. This is a huge concert where thousands of children, from all over the country, come together to sing a variety of popular songs with a famous singer, This year, it was Tommy Blaize from Strictly Come Dancing. Mrs Knights was really proud of the choir who sang their hearts out and they all loved every minute of the experience. Well done children and thank you to Mrs Knights, Miss Geall, Mr Jeffries and Mrs Goodfellow for accompanying the children.





looks amazing and I hope that all the parents enjoyed it too.

Disability Awareness Visitor

This week, we were visited by Alison Wright from 'Accept, Listen, Learn' who worked with each class to talk about the importance of accepting everyone and being aware of disability and differences. Alison has short arms and was very impressed with the children's questions and their understanding of her challenges in life. As always, our children were curious and sensible. Well done everyone!

Useful Diary Dates 2025 (All dates are on the school website)

31st: Chinese New Year dance workshops in school.

FEBRUARY

3rd: Children's Mental Health Week and Well-being Champions workshops.

11th: Safer Internet Day.

14th: Target Sheets out to parents.

Valentines Bake Off Charity fundraiser—details to follow

(17th - 21st: HALF TERM)

24th: INSET Day - school closed for pupils.

25th: Creative Arts Week.

Artist Darrell Wakelam working with children.

3rd: BOOK WEEK - book/author activities. To be confirmed.

6th: World Book Day.

11th: Parents Evening - (3.45pm - 5.45pm)

14th: Comic Relief Day - Non-uniform day donation of £1 to charity for the privilege.

19th: Parents Evening - (4pm - 6.45pm)

21st: National Poetry day

25th: Sharing of work 3.15 - 3.45pm. Parents invited in to see children's work.

26th: Sharing of work 8.40 - 9am. Parents invited in to see children's work.

31st: Easter assembly.

<u>APRIL</u>

4th: End of Term.

9.15am Assembly - Easter Egg raffle draw.

(Easter Holidays 7th April – 18th April)

22nd: BACK TO SCHOOL & 'Active' Maths day.

Ali Sparkes Day our Reading Patron



Last week, Ali Sparkes, our Reading Patron and popular author, returned to Bartons to work with the children on writing stories. She launched a school project for the children to write stories

with animal themes. She worked with Cedar class to discuss their story plans with an 'Ask the Expert' session and then with Chestnut class to inspire them to write their own short stories. The children really look forward to seeing Ali Sparkes each time she comes and being able to talk to her about her own books. Thank you to Mrs A. Powell for organising another great and inspirational day.

Have a good weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell



