



# TEAM BARTONS

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## Safer Internet Day 2026



Safer Internet Day 2026 will take place in school on Tuesday the 10th of February with learning based around the theme 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'. Everyone's talking about AI, and with many children and young people hearing about and using AI online, it's important they have the skills and confidence to make safe choices when they are using smart technology. There will be a variety of activities during the day to teach the children about how to be safe online. Children in Years 5 and 6 will also learn about the dangers of sharing inappropriate content.

## Valentines Disco and Non-Uniform Day



On Friday 13th February, there will be a Valentines disco after school. Tickets will go on sale soon at £3 each. The children will bring home a sweetie bag at the end of the disco. As in past years, there will be separate discos - one for the younger pupils and one for the older children. To coincide with Creative Arts Day in school, all children can **come to school on the day in non-school uniform**. This should be suitable clothing; no high heels or crop tops etc. This means that the younger children can go straight to the disco after school from class rather than being collected from school as normal.

The timings of the discos will be:

3.30pm - 4.30pm for Years R, 1, 2 and 3.

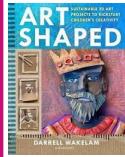
4.45pm - 6pm for Years 4, 5 and 6.

All children should be collected at the hall door at the end. For pupils in Years 5 and 6 who normally walk home - they must be collected by an adult from the disco. No child will be allowed to walk home alone in the dark. Tickets can be bought from Parent Pay.

## Year R & KS1 Drama Workshops

On Thursday 26th February, we are very lucky to welcome the drama company Drama4ALL to Bartons to run some drama workshops in school. These will be for Elm, Beech and Chestnut classes and have a magical toy theme. These workshops are free and will take place during the school day.

## Creative Arts Day



Friday 13th February will be Creative Arts Day in school. The children will have the opportunity to explore 3D model making, inspired by the work and skills of Darrell Wakelam - the artist who worked with us last year. It will be a fun day and the **children can come in non-school uniform for the day**. We are really looking forward to lots of creative pieces of work and models being made.

## Useful Diary Dates 2026 (All dates are on the school website)

### Dates for your Diary

#### FEBRUARY

10<sup>th</sup>: Safer Internet Day

13<sup>th</sup>: Non - uniform day, Creative Arts Day and Valentines Disco.  
**(Half Term 16<sup>th</sup> February – 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026)**

23<sup>rd</sup>: INSET Day - School closed to pupils

24<sup>th</sup>: Back to School

#### MARCH

2<sup>nd</sup>: Book Week - details to follow

5<sup>th</sup>: World Book Day

10<sup>th</sup>: Parents Evening (3.45pm - 5.45pm)

11<sup>th</sup>: Messy Church at 3.15pm

18<sup>th</sup>: Parents Evening (4pm - 6.45pm)

20<sup>th</sup>: Red Nose Day

24<sup>th</sup>: Sharing of Work in class 3.15pm - 3.45pm

25<sup>th</sup>: Sharing of Work in class 8.40am - 9am.

27<sup>th</sup>: Easter Assembly and Easter Egg Raffle

End of Term

**(Easter Holidays 30<sup>th</sup> March – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026)**

#### APRIL

13<sup>th</sup>: Back to School. Active Maths Day

20<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Bikeability cycle training

30<sup>th</sup>: Class Photo Day.

#### MAY

4<sup>th</sup>: BAK HOLIDAY - School closed

11<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 SATs week. No Year 6 absence authorised.

22<sup>nd</sup>: Last day before half term

**(Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026)**

#### JUNE

1<sup>st</sup>: Back to School. ENRICHMENT WEEK

12<sup>th</sup>: Non-uniform day for Summer fair donations

19<sup>th</sup>: Summer Fair (3.30pm - 5pm)

23<sup>rd</sup>: Sharing of Work in class 3.15pm - 3.45pm

24<sup>th</sup>: Sharing of Work in class 8.40am - 9am.

26<sup>th</sup>: Sports day morning

Year 6 Disco (4.30pm - 6pm)

#### JULY

1<sup>st</sup>: Year 6 Transition Day to secondary school

2<sup>nd</sup>: Area Athletics tournament

3<sup>rd</sup>: Reserve Sports day morning date

Class letters out.

6<sup>th</sup>: Dress Rehearsal Summer production Yrs 4, 5 & 6.

7<sup>th</sup>: Summer Production performances 1.45pm & 6pm

8<sup>th</sup>: Summer Production performances 6pm

10<sup>th</sup>: Reports home to parents

13<sup>th</sup>: Change over morning

17<sup>th</sup>: Last day of term

Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1.45pm. Year 6 parents invited.

20<sup>th</sup>: INSET Day - School closed to pupils.

21<sup>st</sup>: INSET Day - School closed to pupils.

22<sup>nd</sup>: INSET Day - School closed to pupils.

Happy Holidays!

*Have a good weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell*