

TEAM BARTONS



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Last week, the School Council worked really hard exploring a range of positive, descriptive words and phrases that could be arranged to form a new Team Bartons motto. It had to be something short, memorable and meaningful that would reflect our school and its ethos. I am thrilled to unveil the final version which is:

Dream, Believe, Achieve.

I absolutely love this and I feel that it really supports and reflects our school in that *dreaming, believing* and *achieving* is at the heart of all learning and everything we do at Bartons. You will see that I have included it around our school logo at the top of the letter. Well done to the School Council for helping us achieve our first school motto. It is something that we can be proud of.

AFTER - SCHOOL CLUBS

On Monday, we sent out the communication about school clubs and how you can apply for school clubs via ParentMail. Please ensure that you have downloaded the ParentMail App so that you will be able to book a club from Monday 17th May. A few parents queried being able to book for more than one child. This should be possible - please let us know if you are not able to do this. Only book up to two clubs so that we can ensure that everyone is able to have at least one club to attend. If there are any spaces left in any of the clubs after the first week, we will let you know and you will be able to apply for a place. This is the first time that we have tried this so fingers crossed!

WEARING MASKS ON THE SCHOOL SITE

There has been much talk in the news about the easing of the restrictions including mask wearing. In line with our risk assessment, we **still** require visitors including parents to wear them on site. This is reviewed frequently and we will let you know when there are any changes. Thank you.

SCHOOL COUNCIL - PLEASE HELP!

As you know, the School Council have already begun working on projects this term. Working with Mrs A. Powell, one of these projects is to source and decorate a new friendship bench for the outside space. A friendship bench (see the picture on the left) is a place that children can go to at break times when perhaps they haven't got anyone to play with. The school councillors will monitor the bench and would support any child/ren who need a bit of help. We are hoping that families can support this by donating some brightly coloured paint (emulsion or gloss paint) that the children can use. Please only donate new or newly opened paint. Please help us to achieve their dream.

YEAR 5 SURVEY

On Wednesday, I sent out a survey to all Year 5 parents asking you to complete our short survey about the future of the West Sussex Bikeability scheme in Year 6. It's really important that we have your views; only **half** the class have responded. Please could you complete the survey as soon as possible. It only takes 10 seconds to do.

USEFUL DIARY DATES

17th May: Outdoor Learning Day
28th May: Numicon Maths Day
31st May - 4th June: Half Term
7th June: Back to School - Enrichment Week
21st June: Year 6 Residential
2nd July: Sports Day - closed to parents
16th July: Reports go out
19th July: Changeover class morning
22nd July: Last day of term
23rd July: INSET day - school closed
6th September: Autumn Term starts

Stay safe! Best wishes Kate Powell