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This is the last newsletter of the year and with Christmas, just around the corner, I would like to wish you all a happy family 🛂 time with good health, peace and love.

Although we finish the term with much tiredness and illness, there is much to be proud of. Team Bartons continues to be a great school where our children grow and flourish.

Thank you to all of you that have given the staff so much positive support this term. On behalf of the staff, thank you for all of the lovely cards, gifts and kind wishes that you have given us. It is always greatly appreciated.

To my wonderful staff; thank you for everything - you are all caring, hard working and amazing! You go over and above to bring the children, in our care, great experiences every day. Thank you also to the Governors and the Friends of Bartons, who all, voluntarily, work hard to support the school so well. It really is a team effort and this has never been more true! It just leaves me to say Happy Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

Farewell and Good Luck

Today, we say goodbye to Mrs Byng who has been a teaching assistant with us for 5 years. She leaves us to start a new role. Thank you Michelle for all of your hard work over the years and for supporting so many children. We will miss you very much and good luck in your new job.

Diary Dates

16th December: INSET day - School closed for pupils.

3rd January: Back to School. Science Week.

Please make sure you arrive at school on time by 8.45am.

15th January: Deadline for applications for Year R places.

13th February: HALF TERM (13th - 17th)

20th February: INSET DAY - School closed to pupils

School Start Times From the 3rd January

- The gates will open at 8.35am.
- Class doors will be open for the children at 8.40am
- Children must be in class ready to learn by 8.45am.
- The gates will be locked at 8.50am.
- Late arrivals after 8.50am will be marked as late.

<u>Christmas Countdown at Bartons</u>



On Monday, Rev. Jo led our Christingle assembly. It was a magical moment where the children, having made their own Christingles in the morning, learnt about what the Christingle represents. As the candles were lit for every child, we then all sang

Away in a Manger. It was a magical moment and encouraged us all to think about others at Christmas.

On Tuesday, we held our annual Bartons' Got Talent contest with the KS2 finalists performing to the whole school. It was so lovely to see the children performing with real confidence. Congratulations to the final placings:

1st Imogen, 2nd Cindy & Nikita and in joint 3rd place were Chloe T and Archie, Archie, Frankie, Riley and Jake. Well done to all of the children who performed. You were great. On Wednesday, pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 performed an afternoon of Christmas Carols to a large audience. After lots of practicing, the children sang their hearts out;

On Thursday, Elm class performed their Nativity assembly. It was so lovely to watch our youngest children perform on the school stage for the first time. This week, Christmas has definitely arrived! Thank you to all of the staff for all of their hard work organising these wonderful events.

Have a great Christmas! Best wishes Kate Powell



