

Team Bartons



Bartons Primary School Newsletter 15 12th January 2018

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. I trust that you all had a lovely Christmas break and some relaxing family time. On behalf of all of the staff, thank you to all of the parents and children that gave cards and gifts to school staff at the end of term. You were very generous and they were much appreciated.

This term, we have lots of special activities planned including Creative Arts day, Book Week, specific character themed dressing up day and many more. This week has been Science Week and the classes have enjoyed some creative science themed topics all week. On Thursday the children held a science fair and shared some interesting investigations with each other. There was an exciting buzz around the hall. Thank you Mr Hayne for co-ordinating the activities and for showing us just how amazing science is.

At the end of term, some of our children represented the school in the local netball team B tournament. Ms Chandler again praised the children for their perseverance and dedication. Well done ; it is so good to hear that you are really enjoying competitive netball.

Maths and English Workshops

Following the successes of last year, we will run two parent workshops in the next few weeks. The Maths workshop will be on the 18th January at 2pm and the English one will be on the 31st January at 2pm. Please do come along; we will talk about recent developments in these subjects and how you can help your child.

Social Media

Recently, we became aware that many of our Year 6 pupils had been using Instagram and other social media sites. We wrote to parents to make them aware of this and voiced our concerns. We now know that some Year 4 and 5 children have access to these sites and so I would urge parents of children who have tablets or phones to check what their children are accessing. For most social media sites, children have to be 13 years+ and so primary aged children are not emotionally mature to cope. Please be vigilant and talk to your child.

Contact Information

Please ensure that you review and update the contact information sheet that was sent home at the end of last term. It is very important that we have the correct information and an up to date list of contacts for contacting in the case of emergency. This includes providing us with an email address. Please do this as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

November Poppy Appeal

I wanted to let you know that during the annual Poppy Appeal in November, our school collected £320.40. This is an amazing amount and thank you.

Class Assemblies

This terms class assembly dates are as follows:

Elm Class: 9th March at 9.15am

Beech Class: 23rd March at 9.15am

Chestnut Class: 8th March at 9.15am

Hazel Class: 16th March at 9.15am

Oak Class: 22nd February at 9.15am

Ash Class: 22nd March at 9.15am

Willow Class: 1st March at 9.15am

Lime Class: 15th March at 9.15am

Cedar Class: 29th March at 9.15am

We hope that you can join us!

First Golden Ticket Winner

Last term, I introduced Golden Tickets to the children. These tickets can be awarded for excellence in learning, for demonstrating our school values or for showing great achievements in a range of areas. The recipients of a special Golden Ticket have their name entered into the golden box raffle and at the end of term, one name would be drawn out to receive a prize. Last terms winner was Lydia in Beech class. Many congratulations to you Lydia and we hope that you enjoy spending your Book Token. Of course, well done to all of the 17 children who received a Golden Ticket in the autumn term.

Welcome

This term, we welcome Mrs Cooper to Hazel class. Previously, Mrs Cooper has worked as a regular supply teacher at Bartons and so we all know her very well; this has helped with the transition from Mr Parsons. We all hope that you enjoy working with Year 3 over the next two terms.

Staff Car Park

Can I remind parents that children should not be walking through the staff car park unless accompanied by an adult and for a specific reason. Thank you for your co-operation.

Have a great weekend! Kate Powell