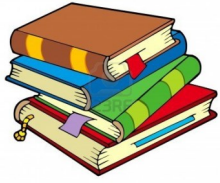


# Team Bartons



## Bartons Primary School Newsletter 22 16th March 2018

Book Week finally arrived this week and it has been wonderful to see and feel the buzz about stories and authors. Activities ranged from paired reading, bedtime story sessions after school, Harry Potter scavenger hunts and of course, character day. The staff and children looked brilliant and thank you everyone for joining in the fun. The children have definitely caught the reading 'bug' and have been inspired to read further books by their focus authors.

### Class Assemblies

Over the last two weeks, four classes have showcased their learning in their class assembly. Well done to Chestnut, Elm, Lime and Hazel classes who all showed off their work from this term. The children have really enjoyed their topics and it is always great to see how much they have learnt but also how they have grown in confidence. I was sad to miss Elm and Chestnut classes but the staff and children have told me how well they did. Well done everyone!

### Exciting School Trips

School trips and visitors are planned into the curriculum to give the children wider opportunities to learn and explore different topics. We plan these very carefully as we believe that they add real value and create special memories for children that last forever.

A few weeks ago, Year 3 visited Fishbourne Roman Palace and had a great time finding out about the Romans and the Palace. Mrs Cooper reported how well behaved the children were. Well done!

Last week, Year 1 visited Amberley Working Museum and the children have told me how much they enjoyed their day and how much they learnt there. To add even more excitement, they caught the train from Bognor.

Last Friday, the whole of Year 5 visited Paultons Park to take part in the science workshops about forces. The children even had some time in the theme park to go on the rides, having just learnt all about how rollercoasters work. Again, Mrs Lewis and Mrs Calton were impressed in how much the children learnt.

### Cancelled Parents Evening

As you know, we had to cancel the second scheduled Parents Consultation Evening (Thursday 1st March 3.30pm - 5.30pm) due to the adverse weather conditions two weeks ago. I can now tell you that the new date will be Thursday 19th April. Due to a very full end of term diary, we cannot run it anytime before sadly. Teachers will post the original appointment times up on the window and unless you tell us otherwise, we will expect to see you at the same time slot. Any parents who can't come into school to check then please call the school office who will be happy to help. Likewise, if you can't make the original time then please let us know as soon as possible and then please arrange another mutually suitable time with the class teacher. Thank you for your patience.

### Netball

Last Saturday, our brilliant netball team took part in the annual FAB (Felpham and Bognor) Netball tournament. Guided and assisted by Ms Chandler and Mrs Calton, the children played their hearts out and had some very competitive games. The team were commended for their team spirit and much improved skills and finished mid-table in the final standings. This is a great achievement and so well done to the netballers. Thank you Ms Chandler for teaching them so well and for giving up your time.

### Sport Relief

Sport Relief day is coming up on 23rd March. On this day, we invite the children to come to school dressed in their best sports kit/clothes. For this privilege, we would ask for a donation of £1 which supports this worthwhile charity. We hope that you will be able to join in. Thank you.

### Emails to Parents

Last week, we sent out a test email to check that our forthcoming email service was working. The email service from Teachers2Parents told us that the test email went to 86 families. Currently, in school, we have 187 families which means that a large proportion of families have not registered an existing email address with us. In time, we would like to go to a paperless communication system as far as we can and so email will largely be used to send letters and forms etc. Please let the school office know your email address if you haven't already done so, so that you are on the system. On the reverse of this letter, is some important information for you from Teachers2Parents.

*Have a great weekend! Regards Kate Powell*