

# Newsletter 3 24th September 2021

Another week has passed and we have continued to be impressed by the excellent behaviour and the genuine enthusiasm to learning shown by the majority of the children. The children have really settled back to school and our new Reception children, now full-time in class, have shown themselves to be a lovely, lively bunch. This is great to see because it reflects our drive for excellence; high expectations and high standards. This, partnered with our school values and our new school motto, 'dream, believe, achieve', is supporting the children to be the best that they can be.

Last week was Maths Investigational Day and the children had fun investigating Maths problems and puzzles. There was lots of 'Active Maths' activities taking place all around the school and the buzz was fantastic. Thank you to the teachers for planning such great activities to inspire the children.

### SCHOOL COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION

Don't forget that if you are new to Bartons and have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask us. Please ensure that you have downloaded the Parent-Mail App to get up to date communication from us.

#### **CLUBS**

After school clubs will start the week beginning the 27th September. The club booking system worked really well and so thank you for using it carefully. Many clubs were over subscribed and so your child may be disappointed but we feel that there should be something for everyone given the excellent variety. Thank you to the staff for giving their time to run them and please ensure that you have checked the group lists.

Happy weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell

## New House Captains



This week, our Year 6 children prepared and read out their speeches in assembly, hoping to be elected as this years House Captains. All of the candidates read really well and were excited

to share their aspirations and promises to persuade the captive audience to vote for them. The elections took place and we congratulated all of the candidates in assembly today but I can announce that the newly elected House Captains are:

Piper and NeoKwame (Phoenix)

Ellie-May and Dysis (Pegasus)

Leo and Lyla (Dragon)

## Elliot and Nicole (Unicorn)

Congratulations to all of the successful children. I look forward to working with you all.

# YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

I wanted to update Cedar class parents that we are now finalising the details of the Year 6 residential for spring next year. Because of the pandemic, we were unable to book but now that we can, prices have risen. Fortunately, we have been able to negotiate a huge discount to keep prices down. Please look out for further information very soon.

# **CLASS TRIPS**

As you know, we work hard at Bartons to plan exciting trips that compliment topic learning. I wanted to let you know that booking coaches is currently very difficult because there is a national shortage of coach drivers and we have had to change many of our plans. Prices have also risen so, just to reassure you, we will always try to get the best price and subsidise costs where we can.

#### EARLY MORNING CLUB

I wanted to let you know that after October half-term, we will be making some changes to the booking system for Early Morning club. We will ask that parents book and pay on-line via ParentMail. This has been requested by working parents who would prefer to book and pay on-line. It will also ensure that we have daily registers to check. Please watch this space for further information soon.