

Bartons Primary School
Newsletter 9
10th November 2017

This week Year 6 have been out all week on their residential trip to the activity centre at Marchants Hill in Surrey. Although very tired and muddy, Mr Hayne has told me how much fun they have had and how much new confidence the children have found when attempting new activities; some that were very daring i.e. jumping on the high trapeze.

Well done to Ash class for their class assembly this week. Sadly, I was on training that morning and missed it but I have heard how well it went and how lovely it was to see the work that was shared.

On Tuesday, we had an audit visit from Oxford University Press who came to see how our approach to teaching Maths, using Numicon, was going; you may recall that we started teaching in this way in January. After a tour of the school, the Maths specialist, Mrs Lewis and I observed Maths teaching and learning in Elm. Hazel and Lime classes. In the lessons we saw enthusiastic children working hard and Maths and inspirational Maths enjoying teaching. It was great to see and our visitor was very impressed. Seeing this genuine positivity towards Maths made me reflect on how far Bartons have come in a short time in changing the children's attitudes towards Maths. Well done children for showcasing your confidence and to all of the staff who have worked so hard to adapt to a new way of working. It is having impact and I was very proud of you all. Kate Powell

### School Photographs



Please could parents ensure that all orders for school photographs and payment are

returned to the school office by Tuesday 14th November.

#### Year 6 Residential to PGL:

### Further Update

As I have said, this week Year 6 and Mr Hayne have been on Bartons first school residential trip. For some of the children, it was there first time away from home and I am very happy to report that the children and school staff have been having a wonderful time. Mr Hayne has kept me up to date with daily reports and he has uploaded photographs and videos to Cedar class class page on the school website. Please do take a look at what they have been up to. I am looking forward to hearing all about their adventures and I'm sure that there will be some funny stories. The children return to school today.

## Remembrance Poppies

Thank you to everyone who has supported the annual Poppy appeal run by the British Legion. It has been great to see the children wearing their poppies and accessories with pride and that they know what they represent.

# Children In Need



Children in Need day is next Friday on 17th November. On this day, we would like the children to come into school

wearing anything spotty for the privilege of donating £1. The children would also like to do some fun activities using any spare 1p's and 2p's that you might have at home. Please send them in with your child/ren and let's raise as much money as we can for this children's charity. Thank you in advance for your support.

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