

Bartons Primary School Newsletter 14 14th December 2018

As we draw towards the end of term, we have had the pleasure of seeing the last of the class assemblies take place this week. On Thursday, it was the turn of Beech class. They made a grand entrance dressed as superheroes and shared their learning from this term. We were also treated to a wonderful firework dance which made us all feel proud and made us smile. Well done Beech class!

Today we saw the last class assembly of 2018 with Elm class presenting their very first one to the school and families. Well done children, your Christmas assembly was lovely and it was lovely to see how much you have grown and how well you have settled at school. We were all very proud of you.

Christmas Carol Concert

On Thursday, the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 got us all into the Christmas spirit with the annual Christmas carol concert. It was truly magical and the children read and sang superbly well. I was very impressed and proud of the soloists who sang so beautifully; a lot of hard work had gone into the concert. Well done children; it was a wonderful afternoon and thank you to Mrs Lewis who had co-ordinated the event and the staff for helping the children do so well.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to everyone who wore their Christmas jumper today in support of Save the Children. The children and staff looked fantastic in the variety of jumpers. It's beginning to feel like Christmas!

<u>Year 5 Swimming</u>

The Year 5 children start swimming lessons in the New Year and the payment of £17 for 12 sessions is due by Monday 7th January. Fortunately, we have been able to heavily subsidise the cost to make things easier and so this represents excellent value.

Club Letters

Please can parents ensure that they return the club sign up slip back to school by the 19th December. Thank you.

Carol Singing



Well done to the group of Year 6 Well done to the group of Year 6
carol singers who visited Chalcraft Hall this week to sing Joy to the World! to the elderly residents. Mrs

Lewis and Mrs Wotton were very pleased with how well the children sang.

Thank you

Thank you to all of the Friends of Bartons who came into school this week to run The Present Room. It was lovely to see the children choosing gifts for family members and really enjoying that special moment.

Local Walks

I just wanted to remind parents and carers that from time to time, the children will undertake short walks and visits in the local area as part of their learning. Just as there is in other schools, we have a form that parents sign giving permission for this to happen. Having one form ensures that we don't have to keep asking you to sign a slip every time we want to go outside of school. For any visit or trip that would go beyond a short walk, we would send home a letter to inform you. I hope that this clarifies recent queries.

Welcome to Team Bartons

In the last few weeks, we have welcomed two new staff members to Bartons. Mrs Hazelden and Mrs Cogger have joined the teaching assistant team supporting children in class. We hope that you will enjoy working with us and are very happy here.

Maternity Leave

At the end of term, we will temporarily say goodbye to Mrs Calton and Miss Jewson who will start their maternity leave. Mrs Leckey, is also expecting but has already started hers. I'm sure you will join with us in wishing them a Merry Christmas but also a restful time before the arrivals of their babies. As soon as there is news, we will let you all know.

Have a great weekend! Kind regards Kate Powell