



Bartons Primary School Newsletter 17 18th January 2019

This week has been a busy week. Year 4 were visited by Paul Ulson, the History man and they explored everything Tudor. Mrs Hillier reported that the children loved it and responded very well.

On Thursday, Mr Starr and Ms Chandler took the Year 5 and 6 netball and football teams to The Regis for a series of friendly games with other local schools. The netball team did exceptionally well winning all of their games. The team didn't have any goals scored against them and Ms Chandler reports that they were amazing! The football team had great games where they won one, drew three and lost two. Well done to all of the children who took part. We are proud of your team spirit and hard work. Special thanks to Hugo and Ollie in Year 4 who were stars in the football team also.

Maths Workshop

Thank you to all of the parents who came along to the Maths Workshop on Wednesday; it was great to have over 50 parents joining us to hear about Maths teaching and learning at Bartons. I hope that you found it useful and it gave you a clearer picture about how we use Numicon and what the curriculum expectations are for learning times tables. Thank you for your excellent feedback and for those of you who couldn't make it, we will put the slides on the school website for all parents to view. Thank you to Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Lewis who took us through the workshop and explained our approach.

Staff Absence

I wanted to inform parents that a few members of staff will be absent from school due to sickness in the next few weeks. Mrs Hillier who teaches Ash class will be off work for two weeks starting on Monday 21st January whilst she recovers from some minor surgery. Also, sadly, Mrs Eyre is unwell and so will be off work for the next two weeks at least. The teaching cover that we have arranged will be from teachers who are familiar to the children and familiar with the school. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

<u>Class Assemblies</u>

This terms class assembly dates are as follows: Elm Class: FRIDAY 15th March at 9.15am Beech Class: THURSDAY 4th April at 9,15am Chestnut Class: FRIDAY 22nd March at 9.15am Hazel Class: THURSDAY 28th March at 9.15am Ash Class: THURSDAY 21st March at 9.15am Willow Class: THURSDAY 7th March at 9.15am Lime Class: THURSDAY 14th March at 9.15am Cedar Class: FRIDAY 29th March at 9.15am Oak Class: FRIDAY 1st March at 9.15am We hope that you can join us!

The English Workshop



The English workshop is on the 31st January at 2pm. Please do come along; the English team teachers will talk about developments in Reading

and how you can support your child at home.

Year 4 Kurling Tournament

Last week, four of our children took part in a new Kurling tournament event at The Regis. Mr Starr reported that George, Henry, David and Harry all enthusiastically threw themselves into the competition and did very well. For a first time effort, the children came 9th out of 16 schools. Well done boys; great achievement!

Baby News!

I am happy to announce the safe arrival of the Calton twins. On Thursday, Mrs Calton had a boy and a It's twins ! girl called Ezra and Aria. Both are a

little early and so weigh just over 4lbs each. Mum and twins are doing very well and they are absolutely gorgeous. I am sure that you will join with us in wishing Kate and Mike Calton our warmest congratulations.

Cold Weather



The colder weather has returned and so please can I remind parents that the children would benefit from having a warm coat as well as a hat, gloves and scarf in school for break

times. All items should be named. Thank you.

Lost Necklace

A silver necklace has been found in the school grounds. It has a teddy on it holding a crystal heart. I'm sure that it is a much loved item and so it needs to be reunited with its owner. If you think that it is yours then please pop to the school office to take a look. Thank you.

Have a great weekend! Kate Powell