



TEAM BARTONS

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This week has been a very busy one. On Monday Rev. Jo talked to the children about remembrance in assembly - encouraging them to remember the fallen and to give thanks for the poppy appeal that has helped so many people. On Tuesday, we held our second Open Afternoon for prospective parents to visit. This time, I asked for Year 5 volunteers to be our Tour Guides. I am thrilled that they did an amazing job and the feedback from the visitors was outstanding. Mrs Olliver and I were extremely proud of their confidence and maturity. Very well done! On Wednesday, we held another successful parent consultation evening and saw many of you again. On Thursday, Lime class visited the Winchester Science Centre and had an 'out of this world' time. Followed by Friday's trip to Cineworld by Cedar and Lime class to watch the film 'A Beautiful Planet'. Busy, busy, busy!

Christmas Productions

This year, we are still planning the Years 1, 2 and 3 Christmas production but I'm sad to have to tell you that this year we will not be able to invite parents and families into the building to watch performances. This is due to concerns over large groups of people gathering together in a small space. We will be filming the production and will make it available to you to watch safely online instead. We realise that it is disappointing but we certainly do not want to be responsible for the spreading of any germs and to ruin anyone's Christmas plans. This approach will also be used for Elm class's Christmas Nativity assembly. Details will follow in a few weeks.

Events Coming Up:

Science day: Monday 15th November

Christmas Jumper day: Friday 10th December

Bartons Got Talent: Tuesday 14th December

Children In Need



Thank you for your support of our Children In Need day today. We had lots of 10p's and the children had a great day; they really enjoyed the activities. We celebrated it this week to balance out a busy timetable so please don't think we are going mad or got the wrong day.

Time Capsule Project with Berkeley Homes

The School Council have embarked on their latest project to fill a time capsule which will be buried on the estate for 25 years. They are working with Berkeley Homes to mark the completion of the estate. The time capsule will have an inscription on the outside and will be filled with evidence that captures life in 2021. The School Council have created a PowerPoint presentation to explain the project and will share this with their classes. It will be added to Seesaw too for everyone to see. This project is for children and families so we hope you will get involved. Later this term, the School Council will attend a ceremony with Berkeley Homes to bury the capsule on the estate.

Exciting Projects

As you know, over the last few years, we have focussed our fund raising on installing a new library. Sadly, Covid-19 and a leak in the side wall of the library scuppered our plans but I wanted to tell you that we are going to achieve our dream this academic year and hope to have this in place by the end of the summer term.

You also, may have seen, that there has been some work being done in the pond area by the playground. For a long time now, my vision for that area has been to completely redesign its use so that it can be used by all of the children all through the year. Projects such as these take time to plan and we have to ensure that we also have the right budget in place to achieve exactly what we want. Watch this space for further updates over the next few months.

Have a great weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell