

Newsletter 1 10th September 2021

Welcome everyone! I hope that you all had an amazing summer with lots of fun times. This week has been truly lovely and we have enjoyed being back with the children. They all look so grown up and smart. We have lots of exciting learning planned this year and it is great to be working more normally again. Being able to meet altogether in the hall , once again, for assembly has meant a lot to us. Just to reassure you, we will continue to have good hygiene and ventilation routines in place and are taking all steps to minimise any risks. I hope that you all read through our Risk Assessment which was sent out last week which explains how things will run this term. News this term is that Mrs Morris has now left the school to pursue opportunities elsewhere, we would like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Hazelden is now the Beech class teacher.

<u>Welcome</u>

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Welcome to all of our new children who have joined Bartons this term in Elm class. It has been lovely to see them all enjoying themselves and looking so smart. We also welcome Catherine to Ash class. Have a great time settling in.

School INSET & Closure Dates (2021-2022)

Please make a note of the following dates where school will be closed to pupils for staff training. FRIDAY: 17th DECEMBER 2021 MONDAY: 28th FEBRUARY 2022 THURSDAY: 21st JULY 2022 FRIDAY: 22nd JULY 2022 The main events are on the website calendar. Please be aware that these are subject to change.

GENERAL INFORMATION

School attendance is monitored and this includes children arriving at school on time. This is to ensure that lessons can begin on time without any disruptions. Punctuality really enables children to settle more quickly and to get into good habits and routines. Lateness and attendance is monitored closely. For any families who fall short of the expected attendance figure, advice and support can be sought from external agencies. Please remember that family holidays should not be booked during school terms and will not be authorised. Pupils are in school for 190 days each year which leaves 175 other days for holidays and activities. Research has shown that missed schooling does impact learning. Also please avoid booking <u>routine</u> medical and dental appointments during the school day.

- The school gate will be open at <u>8.45am</u>.
- Children can go into class from 8.50am but must be in class ready to learn by 9am. The gates will be locked by 9.05am. Any late arrivals will then need to be signed in at the main school office and a good reason given for being late.
- The one-way system is in operation so ONLY enter through the <u>entrance gate</u> by the bike racks and exit by the playground.
- School finishes for all at 3.15pm.
- We have a school answer phone so if your child is ill and cannot attend school, please call school and leave a message before 9am. If we don't hear from you before 9am, it will marked as an unauthorised absence and we will call you.
- Early Morning Club is open from 8.15am. There is
 a daily charge of £1 for its use and parents
 should exit via the big exit gate by the playground
- Children should wear P.E kit on P.E days. This should be the <u>correct P.E uniform</u> i.e. House T-shirt and dark shorts/joggers.
- Earrings should be removed for P.E lessons.
- The water fountains will not be open so please ensure children have a water bottle every day.

Please bear in mind that these plans are subject to change and we'll let you know if anything changes.

Happy weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell

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