

Team Bartons



Bartons Primary School Newsletter 9 8th November 2019



This week, school has been quiet because Year 6 have been out of school on their residential at Marchant's Hill. They have been having a very exciting time at PGL and we look forward to hearing all about their adventures next week.

On Monday's INSET day, all of the staff had phonics training which will support our relaunch of Read, Write, Inc; an approach to early reading skills. More details will follow for parents in due course but as a school, we are very excited about the potential of this.

Well done to Ash class who presented their learning in their class assembly this week. Sadly, I was in a meeting but Mrs A. Powell has told me how well the children spoke and what wonderful work they have been doing. Special congratulations to Neokwame who showed off his amazing times table skills.

Collecting Postage Stamps for Bone cancer Research

We have been approached by the Bone Cancer Research Trust to collect new and used postage stamps for them. These stamps can be converted into money which goes towards cancer research. We have an existing collection box in reception and would like parents to bring in as many used stamps as possible.

Miss Cook

As you know, Miss Cook is expecting her first child in the New Year and I can now tell you that her last working day will be Friday 22nd November. Mrs Windeatt, who the children know well, will take over Ash class until the end of term. For the spring and summer terms, Mrs Windeatt will job share Ash class with Mrs Calton who will be returning from her maternity leave. I'm sure all of you will join with us in wishing Miss Cook lots of luck for her imminent arrival.

New Books Wish List

To support our new library, we hope to supplement our book collections by setting up an Amazon book wish list scheme. This would involve parents, if they wished to, buying a book/s directly from the list. More details will follow soon and all books bought will have a dedication label inside saying who donated the books to us.

Remembrance Poppies



Remembrance poppies will be on sale in school on Monday. Please support this worthy cause.

Christmas Dinner



Our Christmas dinner day is Friday 13th December. All children in Yrs R, 1 and 2 who normally have hot lunches through the Universal Free School Meal will get a turkey dinner.

If your child is in Yr R, 1 and 2 and has a packed lunch but you would like them to have a Christmas dinner then please let Mrs Toone know in the office by **29th November**. For all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who would also like a Christmas dinner then please book directly at www.mealselector.co.uk by 1st December. For all year groups who want a vegetarian option on the 13th December then please let the school office know by 23rd November to ensure orders are complete. The price is £2.35.

Yellow School Photographs

The school photograph proofs have now gone out to all classes. Please ensure that you use the details in the pack to order **directly from Yellow**, the school photographers company. The closing date for last orders is Tuesday 19th November.

Change of Date to Year R Parents Meeting

We are due to hold a '6 Weeks In' meeting for Year R parents on the 8th November but due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to move the date of this meeting to Friday 22nd November starting at 2pm. We are very sorry for any inconvenience caused; this was unavoidable. Miss Yardley and I hope that you will be able to come along and we look forward to seeing you there.

Applications for Starting Primary School in Reception for September 2020

The application window for starting primary school places in September 2020 is now open. Parents have until the 15th January 2020 to apply to West Sussex County Council for a school place. Our next Open Afternoon for prospective parents is on Tuesday 12th November.

General Reminders

Future events coming up are:

15th November: Children in Need day Non-uniform day for £1 and £1 to attend the CIN disco.

Science Day: Monday 18th November.

Non-uniform day for Christmas Market items: Friday 29th November.

Have a great weekend Best Wishes Kate Powell