

The Collaboration of Barton and Ravensworth  
Church of England VC Primary Schools

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Sharon Stevenson



Newsletter  
Together, Stronger.



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Dear Parents and carers,

Just as we have a School Council in our schools so that our children have a voice and an impact on school improvement; Dales Academies Trust now has an amazing Trust Council. Two children from each of the ten primary schools in the Trust (Ainderby Steeple, Barton, Croft, East Cowton, Eppleby Forcett, Kirby Fleetham, Middleton Tyas, Ravensworth, Richmond CE and South Otterington) got together on Tuesday afternoon and worked together with Headteachers and our CEO, Damian Chubb to write a Trust Prayer and unpick what our moto, "Together for Excellence" means to the children. Jenna Rushforth and Zak Penrose from Ravensworth and Katie Mulreany and Ryan Wool from Barton were amazing ambassadors and are looking forward to leading a Collective Worship in both schools to share the work of the 'Young Directors' with all of our children. Thank you Jenna, Katie, Zak and Ryan – you were the very best you could be! Mr Chubb sent them a very special message:

"Please can you pass on to your Young Directors how much I enjoyed their first meeting at East Cowton today. The children were a credit to each of their schools and indeed the Trust and I was very impressed with the manner in which they got involved and undertook the tasks presented by Mrs Dudman. I look forward to seeing the outcome of their suggestions for the Primary Trust prayer; the thoughtfulness with which they completed this task really was quite special."



Although the minimum age to have an Instagram account is thirteen, I am aware that some of our children in Class 3 have one. It has been brought to my attention that

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some of our children have had negative experiences on Instagram this week. In school, we will be looking at both the positive and negative impact of social media – Instagram in particular. If your child has an account, please could I ask you to check that it is a private not public account, to check privacy settings, to ensure all location apps are turned off and to unfollow all strangers. Please be aware that during live video chats, all followers can join the chat and that a screen shot can be taken and posted on other social media sites. I have included a link to a parents guide to Instagram below, that I have found useful as a parent of two teenage daughters.

[www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram\\_guide.pdf](http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram_guide.pdf)

Please can I remind you that mobile phones or other electronic devices are not permitted at our School Disco on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. Please can your child/ren leave their mobile phones at home.

I look forward to seeing you in school very soon: at Community Collective Worship at 3pm on a Friday, at the Friends School Disco at 5.30pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February or at our Valentines Community Lunch at 12pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Kindest regards,

*Sharon Stevenson*

Mrs Sharon Stevenson  
Executive Headteacher

## Barton

### Childr

#### Our Stars of the Week are:

**Class 1: William Littler**

**Class 2: Jack Banner**

**Class 3: Clayton Stevenson**

#### Our SEAL Award goes to:

**Class 1: Poppy Banner**

**Class 2: Heath Szikora**

**Class 3: Katie Mulreany**

#### Our Rainbow Learners this week:

**Class 1: Phoebe Liddell**

**Class 2: Jacob Sandhu**

**Class 3: Charlotte Littler**

#### Lunchtime Awards go to:

**Class 1: Poppy Banner**

**Class 2: Chloe Rankin**

**Class 3: Justin Hepper**

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### News From Class One:



We have been detectives in lots of activities over the last two weeks. In maths the year 1's have been detectives of time solving lots of time problems and loved creating a human clock in the hall and pretending to be the hands. The reception children have been exploring addition, subtraction and weight, they really enjoyed helping Paw Patrol solve their problem, weighing lots of different boxes and finding out whether the biggest box is always the heaviest. In English we have been acting out the Highway Rat and the reception children have been fantastic story detectives creating a story map of the Three Billy Goats Gruff and exploring the characters in the story. In Geography we have looked at maps of Barton and key buildings in the village and we have continued to be super scientists exploring everyday materials including their properties and objects that float and sink. The children have been really interested with our Great Fire of London topic in History ask the children if they can remember any facts about the fire and where it started!

### News From Class Two:



Class 2 are really enjoying this term's topic of Street Detectives we have been out and about in the village to support our Science learning, looking at 'Uses of Everyday Materials' in the local environment. In English we have been looking at the books - The Highway Man and the Highway Rat and the children have done some wonderful reciting and performing of the poems. We have been learning more about multiplying and dividing and the use of money in our maths lessons.

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Wednesday - Lego Club  
Thursday - Team building activities  
Friday - Non Messy Arts & Crafts

**Afterschool Club with Mrs Dreaves (£5 per hour please book through the school office Monday to Thursday 3:30 – 5:30pm)**

Monday – Games Club

Tuesday – Craft Club

Wednesday - Film and Colouring Club  
Thursday - ICT Club

**Staff Led Additional School Activities for Classes 2 & 3:**

Monday 12.30 - 13.00pm (Restarts on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018)

Class One's Lunchtime Reading Club with Mrs. Allan-Hooks Reception to Year 1

Afterschool 3:30 – 4:30pm (A place can be reserved by emailing the school office and advising us of your collection details all children to be collected promptly at 4:30pm)

Tuesday – Science with Mrs Harris

Wednesday - Computing with Mr Weighman

Thursday – Model Making with Miss Verity

Please reserve a place by emailing the school office and advising us of your collection details or if your child is to walk home

**Friends 80 Club**

Congratulations to the recent winners of the January 80 Club draw:

Number 13 – Chris Wooff

Number 47 – Laura Wool

Number 2 – Audrey Forsyth

February's draw will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> February. If you or a member of your extended family would like a number in the draw please contact Jen Percival. Good luck to everyone!

<b>Week commencing 5 February 2018</b>	<b>Barton EH = Executive Head in school</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Parent Consultation evenings 3:40 - 6:50
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Parent Consultation evenings 3:40 – 5:40
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>EH</b>
<b>Friday</b>	Community Valentines Lunch noon School closes for half term
<b>Week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018</b>	<b>Barton EH = Executive Head in School</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>EH</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>EH</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Collaboration Y5&6 Science Event Richmond School – more details to follow
<b>Friday</b>	

<b>Future Dates More details will usually follow but information for your diary</b>	<b>Barton</b>
<b>2017</b>	
<b>5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Parent Consultation evenings
<b>7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Rev Jenni Collective Worship Parent Consultation evenings
<b>8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Swimming Classes 2 & 3
<b>9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Community Valentine Lunch - noon  School Closes for half term
<b>19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	School re-opens
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	Collaboration Y5 & Y6 Science Transition morning at Richmond School – more details to follow. Swimming Classes 2 & 3

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<b>26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Community Film Night – with Cubs Time tbc
<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Swimming Classes 2 & 3
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	KS2 Area Cross Country – more details to follow. No Swimming – session rescheduled to 29 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Collaboration Y5 Students PE session at Richmond School – more details to follow
<b>15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Swimming Classes 2 & 3
<b>16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Collaboration Lego Brickmasters Richmond – more details to follow
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Swimming Classes 2 & 3
<b>27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Easter Service 2:30-3:30 in Church
<b>29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Swimming Classes 2 & 3 – Final Session School Closes for Easter
<b>16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Staff Training Day
<b>17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	School re-opens to pupils
<b>20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	GNAAS bag recycling collection
<b>21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Tempest Whole School Photo
<b>15<sup>th</sup> June Friday</b>	Y6 24 Maths Competition
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> July Tuesday</b>	Y7 Meet the Tutor Evenings
<b>4<sup>th</sup> July Wednesday</b>	
<b>9<sup>th</sup> July –11 July</b>	Y7 Introductory Days

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