



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

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Newsletter
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Friday 6th March 2020

Spring Term 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

After a snowy start to the half-term we have quickly got back into learning and enjoying life at Barton School. As usual, it has been extremely busy in school few weeks in school.

World Book Day



It was wonderful to see the children so excited about books and reading during this year's World Book Day. Some of the costumes were amazing and parents had gone to a great deal of trouble to make the day extra special. The children loved sharing their books from home with their friends in class.



Hand and Respiratory hygiene

In line with Government advice we have been frequently reminding the children about the importance of handwashing and respiratory hygiene. They have learned about handwashing techniques and to 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it'. They have made posters that are dotted around school to remind us! We would urge you to support us by reinforcing this at home.

We are now receiving daily updates from the DfE with regard to Coronavirus. A helpline has been set up for schools and parents. More information can be found below.

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Friends Bunny Drive

We had a super evening in school last Friday night with the Friends' Bingo and Bunny Drive. It was lovely to see so many governors and families there, as well as some members of the community who were visiting school for the first time. As you can see there were lots of super prizes to be won.



Thank you to Mr David Bowes for so expertly calling the numbers, and to the friends of the school for working so hard to make the evening a success.

PE Kits

The staff are having to repeatedly remind some children to bring in their PE kits. Please may I remind parents that children are required to wear...

Sports Relief

Friday 13th March is Sport's relief day. Children may come to school in sports clothes, ready for a day of sport's activities. Contributions towards Sports relief will be collected on the day.

Kindest regards,

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Headteacher

Attendance this week:	National Average:
	96.1%

Barton
Children celebrating achievements this week Our Stars of the Week are: Class 1: Florence Hardy Class 2: Archie Johnson Class 3: Ryley Quirie Our SEAL Award goes to: Class 1: Tom Horsley Class 2: Lexxy Yarrow Class 3: Lyla Bell Our Rainbow Learners this week: Class 1: Bear Johnson Class 2: Poppy Banner Class 3: Alfie Husband Lunchtime Awards go to: Class 1: Thomas Wise Class 2: Isla Horsley Class 3: Alfie Husband

Community Easter Lunch Wednesday 25th March



We are delighted to invite parent, carers, family to our Community Easter Lunch

on

Wednesday 25th March at noon

in the school hall

where we will be celebrating with a Chicken roast dinner followed by Easter treat!

Reservations can be made through the school office at
admin@barton.dalesmat.org.

Bookings will be confirmed upon receipt of payment - £3.50 per adult/£2.90 per child.

Last date for bookings and payment 11th March 2020

We hope you will come – these events are very popular!

Safeguarding

In the interests of keeping all children safe please can we ask that should you child be absent from school or late in arriving to school that you contact the school prior to 9am by either leaving a message on the answerphone 01325 377246 or emailing admin@barton.dalesmat.org

If you child is going to be late into school – please still advise us as above but accompany your child to the main entrance and hand over to a member of staff.

If we do not receive a message we will ring emergency contacts from 9:15am but really would appreciate your co-operation and help as it is paramount that your child(ren) are safe. Thank you!

Health & Safety

Coronavirus advice -We are continuing to keep you updated on the government's response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) – Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19. Please help us in sharing simple and effective hand hygiene messages.

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The Department for Education Coronavirus have provided a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

We have been advised by the DfE

- No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless directed to do so by Public Health England.

Trim Trail -As you are aware following an annual inspection on both in and outdoor equipment, an area of the 'Trim Trail' was considered unsafe.

We are waiting for this to be looked at by a local firm and once the part is 'made safe' we will advise you further.

Meanwhile the appropriate zone location is cordoned off and we thank you for your continued support in keeping your children away/off the area – thank you!

Communication/Emergency School Closure

As texting service is unavailable at present until further notice please check your emails for all communication and especially in case of emergency closure.

Important and Emergency Announcements via the school website

www.barton.dalesmat.org

We are delighted to inform you that from today we have updated our website with a feature for both important and emergency announcements, such as school closures.

If there is information or an emergency announcement it will appear on the school website www.barton.dalesmat.org as follows:

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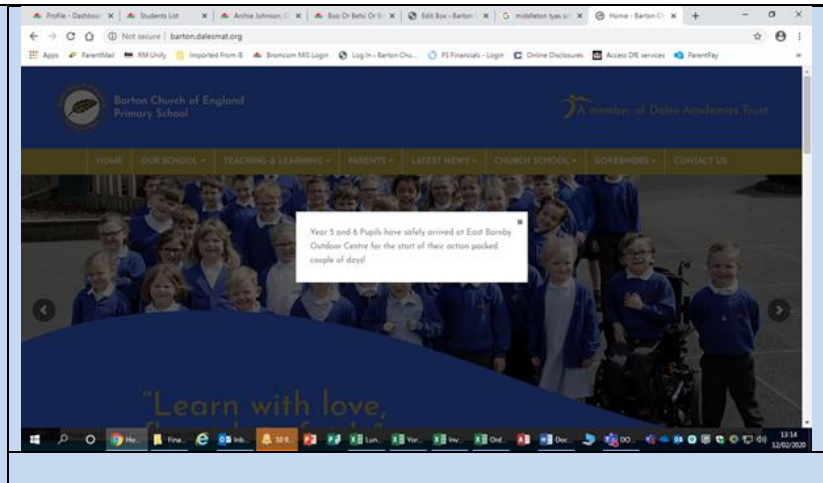
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You can remove the message and access the remainder of the website by clicking on the X in the top right hand corner of the message.

Please note that should the decision to close the school, due to adverse weather (or other emergency reasons) conditions every opportunity will be made to post an update on the website by approximately 7:45am in the morning – we ask that you keep checking the website as sometimes a decision may need to be taken at the very last minute. Thank you

Parentpay:

Please can all parent/carers ensure that Parentpay payments for lunches and other activities are fully paid to date. If the school office is not advised as to the reason for a late payment or debit balances, this could instigate further proceedings. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Wrap around Care:

We run some fantastic wrap around care for your we are running the following sessions – book through the school office!

Breakfast Club with Miss Maitchell (£3 per session 8am to 8:50am Monday to Friday)

Monday – Homework Club

Tuesday – Board games

Wednesday – Jigsaws

Thursday – Creative Play (moulding, building)

Friday - Arts and Crafts

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

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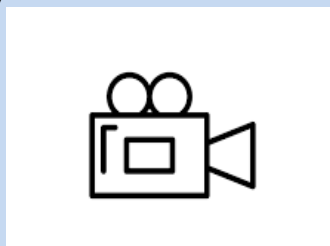
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Whats going on in our afterschool clubs

Monday



Tuesday



Wednesday



Thursday





Staff Led Additional School Activities for Classes 1, 2 & 3 for the Spring term

Lunchtime Lego Club  Tuesday with Mrs Harris

Lunchtime Y3 Y4 Times Table Club ****NEW**** starting 10th March 2020

Lunchtime Dance Club  Wednesday with Miss Verity

Storytime Club  Thursday at 12.30pm with Mrs Allan-Hooks

Lunchtime Guitar Club  - every Thursday with Mr Weighman

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

Please note that as usual at the end of a full term there will be no Staff Led Afterschool Activities.

Friends News

February Draw - and the lucky winners are.....

49 - Val Ramshaw

86 - not taken

21 - not taken

Upcoming Friends events:

Friends Spring Disco Fri 13th March 5-6.30pm 2.50 per child – come and join this fun evening 😊

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Friends Easter Hunt around Barton Thurs 2nd April 3.30-5.30pm £2.50 per child

News From Class One:



I can't quite believe we have already been back in school for two weeks; the children have dived straight back into their learning and are loving our new topic 'Inventors and Inventions' with a focus on transport in Class 1. We launched in to our topic last week with lots of transport activities around the classroom. On Friday the Year 1 and Reception children worked together in groups using lots of different materials, resources and much more to create a form of transport. This got us all thinking about different forms of transport and really engaged the children in learning more about the topic.

In maths Year 1 are looking at Place Value to 50 and have worked hard on using resources to show numbers in tens and ones and representing numbers in different ways. In reception and nursery, the children have looked at comparing numbers and understanding numbers that are bigger and smaller. They have been recognising and ordering numbers and also completed some maths songs and games relating to pancake day last week.

In English last week we wrote recounts of a day in our holidays, lots of them chose to write about our spontaneous snow day! We also learnt all about Shrove Tuesday and why we celebrate it, we tasted pancakes and then planned what our perfect pancake would have on the top. This week we have started looking at the book we will be focussing on for the next three weeks called 'The Naughty Bus', we have written predictions about what will happen, compared the naughty bus to modern buses and then were very excited when our own naughty bus turned up in Class 1 on Thursday all wrapped up. I wonder what he will get up to next week.

In Geography we have looked at the four countries of the UK and their capital cities. In RE we are starting to explore how we should care for others and the world. In

science we have carried on with our topic on 'Everyday Materials' and have started looking at their properties.

Dance with Mrs Sellars is every Wednesday morning this half term. The children are using our topic of Transport to inspire their dancing. Please make sure the children have their PE kits in school if they haven't already.

World Book day was a fantastic day full of reading, writing book reviews and sharing our books with children from Class 2. Thank you for your support with their amazing costumes!

News from Class Two:



We have had a very busy start to the new term (even though it was delayed slightly... hope you all enjoyed your snow day!). We launched our topic of Inventors and Inventions by sharing the homework posters the children had produced and we were very impressed – thank you for your support with it, we managed to cover medicines, games and technological inventions - Well done everyone. In Science we are learning all about plants and investigating what they need to grow. We are learning more about fractions in Maths the children are getting really good at recognising fractions of numbers as well as shapes and the Year 3s have been working on fractions of amounts which is a little bit tricky, but they are enjoying the challenge.

Mrs Sellars has joined us again for Dance this term and the children are loving learning their dance moves based on our book the Iron Man and our topic work around Railways - there's lots of robotic and locomotive movements going on. In English our work is based on the book The Iron Man by Ted Hughes – the children have been learning what makes an effective story opener and have written some very descriptive character and setting descriptions.

World Book Day was amazing the costumes were fantastic and the children have had great fun doing lots of reading related activities. We have shared our favourite books, written book reviews and also had great fun sharing our books with Class 1 once again thank you for support with this event.

News from Class Three:

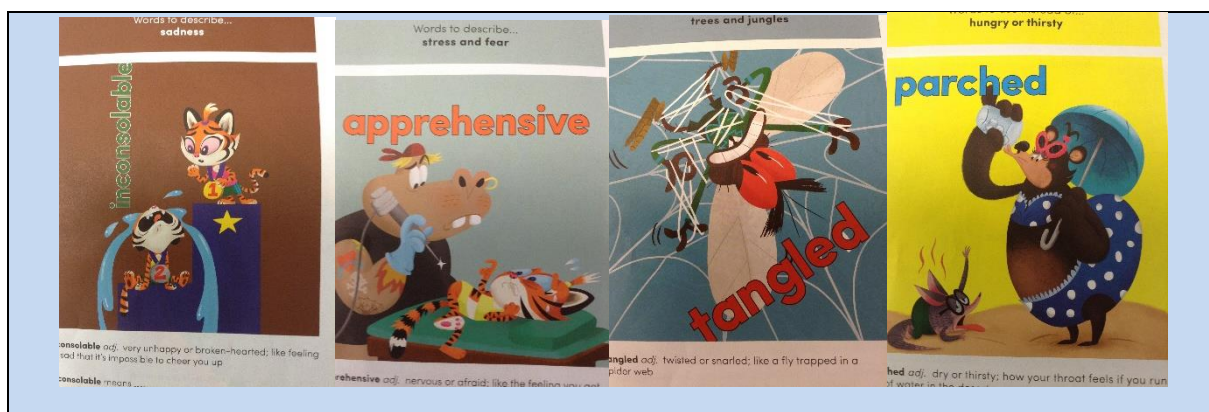


We have had a great start to this half-term in Class Three! We are learning about Victorians and inventions. As part of our D&T, we will be designing and building bridges. In Science, we are learning about types of teeth and their uses. In Maths, we are converting fractions into decimals and percentages.

World Book Day was awesome, thank you for the amazing efforts – we looked terrific! Our new class book is a Victorian steampunk adventure called 'Cogheart' by Peter Bunzl. We are still reading Viking Boy too (but we're getting really close to the end!). We are very lucky to have Mrs Sellars back in school this half-term to teach us dance. Please make sure children have their PE kits in school all week as we have PE on Monday and Friday afternoons and Dance on Wednesday morning. Children need to change at school for dance rather than coming in their kit. PE kit should consist of: a white t-shirt, dark blue or black shorts, tracksuit trousers, joggers or leggings and a dark coloured jacket or hooded sweatshirt or a school hooded sweatshirt.

We wrote some amazing narratives based on the start of Cogheart where we were focusing on creating an atmosphere for our audience – I was so impressed with the vocabulary and structure of our writing. We found out about Penny Dreadfuls in History and researched some inventions from the Victorian period.

Words of the Week (s)



Our new vocabulary leaders, Angelica and Faith, have selected some great vocabulary to go with our new class reading books. Look and listen out for these words: *inconsolable*, *apprehensive*, *tangled* and *parched*.

Future Dates More details will usually follow but information for your diary	Barton
2020	
March 2020	
10th	Y3 Y4 Hockey at Richmond School
12th	Parent Consultation Evening 3:40 to 7pm
13th	Sports Relief – free dress with a contribution to Sports Relief
	Friends Spring Disco 5 – 6:30pm £2.50 per child
20th	DEAP with Maths afternoon for all parents
27th	Messy Church 2-3pm followed by Celebration Assembly – everyone welcome!
30th	Science Day at Richmond school Y5 Y6 – more details to follow
April 2020	
1st	Emotion Coaching for Parents and Governors 5:30pm – more details to follow
2nd	Friends Easter Hunt around Barton 3:30pm – 5:30-pm £2.50 per child
3rd	School Closes for Easter
20th	Staff training day
21st	School re-opens for Summer Term
22nd	Yorkshire Planetarium – details to follow
28th	NSPCC KS1 and KS2 assembly and C3 workshop – ‘Speak out keep safe’
May	

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8th	Bank Holiday Friday
July 2020	
1st	Sports Day with Skip2bfit Dave

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