



'Learn with love, flourish in faith'

Friday 6th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

The first week of this half term has flown by and the children are working hard on their 'People of the World' topic. They have been learning about their bodies and how to keep themselves healthy, and have really enjoyed learning about different people and cultures, both locally and around the world. It is so lovely to see such positive and enthusiastic attitudes towards learning across the school.

Harvest Festival



It was such a shame that parents and members of the community were not able to join us for our lovely Harvest service just before half term. It was a very varied service which made us stop and think. The children had cleverly managed to link Harvest to their very exciting bike day, by learning about the 'All We Can' campaign which helps to make journeys to school more accessible for children in other parts of the world. All the children had thought about what they would like to do when they are

older and had made sign posts for their own personal journey.

Class two also told us the story of Jesus feeding the 5000, and asked us to think about what it is like to be hungry,



Thankyou to Mrs Whittle for opening up the church for us and for playing the organ when we arrived. It was lovely to have the opportunity to be back in church again. We would like to thank everyone for their donations for the food bank, all of which were very gratefully received.



Children in Need Day

Children in need are having a focus on children's well being this year and the theme is '5 to thrive'. The idea is that schools promote connecting with others, taking notice of the world around us, getting active (With Joe Wicks) being curious and giving to others.

We will be arranging a number of activities on these themes next Friday and invite all pupils to come to school with 'crazy hair'. We are aware that many of the children's usual activities are on hold at the moment, so would like to make this as much fun for them as we can. If you would like to make a donation to Children in need, please could you send money in a sealed envelope. Full uniform is to be worn as normal please.

Building work in school

Chippings area

You may have noticed that there is some work going on at the front of the school to clear the chippings. These should hopefully all be replaced by the end of next week and we will be able to use the area again.

Perimeter Fence

Work will be commencing on the new fence around the perimeter of the school on Monday, and is due to take 6 weeks to complete. The fence will be replaced a section at a time and the builders will ensure that the site is kept secure at all times. It may be that we have to temporarily move the pick-up points for parents at the end of the day

Remembrance Poppies

On Wednesday we will be celebrating Remembrance day with a special collective worship in school. We would also like to paint pebbles to hide around the village for others to find. Please could we ask each child to try to bring in a pebble large enough for them to decorate with a few poppies. Pebbles will need to be in school by Tuesday. If you have extra that you would be willing to share it would be much appreciated!

As we are unable to sell poppies in school this year any family wishing to buy poppies or donate please have a look at the Royal British Legion website at <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/poppy-appeal>



Important Update

Having just entered into the second national lockdown, schools have been provided with new guidance from the DfE. As a staff we are delighted that schools will be remaining open as we believe that it is in a child's best interests to be able to see their friends, and to have the structure and routine that school provides.

We have been asked a number of questions about face masks this week. We will not be asking parents to wear face coverings at pick-up and drop-off for the time being unless they wish to, however please can we remind you to observe social distancing rules at these times. We are really grateful to parents who have really helped us out by sticking to the timings for the start and end of the day. In case anyone needs a reminder, the timings are as follows:

- In the morning, children in **class 2 and 3 arrive at 8:50am, and children in class one arrive at 8:55 am**. Parents and visitors are discouraged from entering the school site in the mornings and two members of staff will be on the gate to meet the children. Other staff will be strategically placed to guide them straight in to school where they will wash their hands and go into the classroom. **Due to the high levels of staffing required to supervise this, it is essential that children arrive on time. Please do not arrive early or late.**
- At the end of the day parents will need to come on to the school site to collect their children. Please could parents of children in class 1 arrive at 3:25 pm. Parents of children in class 2 and 3 should arrive at 3:30pm.
- Children with older siblings should arrive and be collected at the timings of the older sibling.

It is essential that children are not sent to school if they are unwell or displaying coronavirus symptoms. If children start to display symptoms during the school day they will be isolated until a parent arrives to collect them. For this reason, please make sure you let us know immediately of any changes to contact details. Parents will be expected to engage with the NHS Test and Trace

process. Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus can and should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS testing and tracing for coronavirus website, or by telephone via NHS 119. If your child has had a negative test result, please send written confirmation of this before they return to school (we do not require a copy of the email or text you receive)

Home learning

You may have heard that it is now a statutory responsibility for schools to provide school work for children who are isolating at home due to Covid-19. We have planned a detailed curriculum for this term that links closely to online resources and materials – you can see the overview on the home learning section of our website. We are also using workbooks that could potentially be sent home. Staff are fully prepared to teach children at home alongside children in school. The work has been jointly planned across the 4 schools so that if a teacher becomes ill, someone from another school will be able to pick up the planning and teach the class. We have made sure that all children have an email address so that we can have meetings and lessons on Teams if needed.

There are different scenarios in which children may be isolating at home. Among them are:

- **A child is showing symptoms of coronavirus and is waiting for a test result** – in this instance the child is unlikely to be well enough to work at home, but staff will check with parents via Class dojo and send work if required
- **A child is isolating because they have been in close contact with a suspected or confirmed case, but they do not have symptoms themselves.** In this case work will be set by the child's class teacher and will be in line with what the class are learning that day. They will be expected to complete the work set to a good standard.
- **Our school bubble needs to close.** In this instance class teachers will lead the learning from home and there will be opportunities for live streaming of lessons.

Please be aware that it is a statutory requirement for children to attend school. We have been told that we cannot support learning for children whose parents elect to keep them at home if they do not fit into the categories above. This will be deemed as unauthorised absence and a fine may be issued.

We appreciate that not all homes have the technology to facilitate online learning for all children so there will be paper based lessons set as well

Please do get in touch if you have any concerns or queries about the above, and we will do our best to reassure you.

I hope that everyone has a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,



Mrs H Dudman
Executive Headteacher

Barton

Children celebrating achievements this week

Our Stars of the Week are:

Class 1: Ivy Stirling

Class 2: Cayleb Bell

Class 3: Alfie Husband

Our SEAL Award goes to:

Class 1: Bea Elliott

Class 2: Isla Horsley

Class 3: Lucas McGarrell

Our Rainbow Learners this week:

Class 1: Maci Wool

Class 2: Lexxy Yarrow

Class 3: Faith Ramsey

Lunchtime Awards go to:

Class 1: James Linford

Class 2: Cayleb Bell

Class 3: Eva-Grace Short

News from Class One:



Before the holidays we had a lovely end to our first half term. We enjoyed a visit to church to do our Harvest Festival. Even though it wasn't the same as usual without the rest of the community and families, we still had a great time and the behaviour from all of the children was outstanding. Class 1 confidently got up to show everyone their shape bike pictures we had created in class, we created bikes to represent the children in other countries who have to

travel large distances to get to school which for a lot of them is a dream they don't think they will ever achieve. Being provided with a bike enables them to get to school and other places more quickly and allows them to improve their life choices. The children also wrote signposts, signposting on our journey map what they want to achieve in their life we had some excellent ideas including being a teacher, getting married, having children and going to university.

We completed our work on After the Fall and the Year 1 children wrote some excellent stories based on what was going to happen next now that Humpty had turned into a bird. In maths reception looked at comparing capacity and numbers while Year 1 completed our topic on place value by practicing lots of the skills we had been learning through lots of challenges and problem solving.

As a school we were lucky to complete an online dark night's presentation virtually with North Yorkshire Police and Fire Brigade. The children learnt all about how to stay safe at Halloween, stay safe at bonfire night, road safety and how to stay safe on a night on our bikes. The children really enjoyed talking to the officers and asking lots of questions about keeping safe.

It has been excellent being back to school and the children have come back well rested and ready for another term of fantastic learning. This term we are carrying on our whole school topic of 'People of the World' and lots of our learning will be based around this.

In English we have started to explore the book 'Handa's Surprise' we predicted what we thought the story was going to be about using just the title and front cover. We discussed the fruits in her basket and lots of the children had never heard of or tasted some of the fruits. On Wednesday we had lots of fun tasting the fruit Handa had in her basket and came up with lots of adjectives to describe the taste and texture of the different fruits.

In maths year 1 have moved onto addition and subtraction and this week we have looked at part whole models in lots of practical ways and especially enjoyed our giant part whole model on the playground to help with our addition. Reception and Nursery are focussing on the numbers 1, 2 and 3 including representing them, recognising them in lots of different forms, the number formation and comparing the numbers 1, 2 and 3.

This week we have enjoyed lots of work around bonfire night including learning all about why we celebrate bonfire night and all the children were really interested with learning about Guy Fawkes. We have also looked at alliteration and onomatopoeia focussing on the different noises' fireworks can make. This led to some excellent firework poetry, glitter writing onomatopoeia words, creating bonfire night safety posters and an excellent giant class handprint bonfire picture.

Can I just remind everyone that children need to bring their PE bags back into school. Homework will go out on a Friday and be collected on a Thursday. The weather has definitely got colder over recent weeks so please make sure your child is prepared for the weather with a coat, hat and gloves as we spend a lot of time outside.

News from Class Two:



It is wonderful to have the children back in school after half term which does seem to have been a long time ago already! Before the holidays we were able to visit church to hold our annual harvest festival, all be it under very strange circumstances. Class 2 read and acted out the story of The loaves and the 5 fishes showing how even little actions and deeds can go a long way, we explored the different journeys we take in our lives, the ones we find simple like coming to school, which can be a huge hurdle to those less fortunate than us and we learned about the fantastic work being done by the 'All we Can' campaign to make this journey more accessible to those that have to travel a long way to go to school; they are campaigning to get bikes to this children so they can fulfil their dreams and have the same opportunities that all children should have. We ending by sharing our dreams and aspirations for our Journey of life.

We also had virtual visitors in from the local Fire brigade at Richmond sharing a presentation on keeping safe, now the nights are drawing in. The children enjoyed the presentation and had the opportunity to ask questions about road safety, bonfire night and keeping safe on our bikes they all now know how important it is to stay safe and be seen.

This week in English, we have been recounting how we celebrated Halloween and exploring onomatopoeia words to wrote our own bonfire poems. In maths we are looking at adding tens and ones to 2-digit numbers in year 2 and 3-digit numbers in year 3 quite a tricky concept when we crossover the tens and hundreds. We reminded ourselves why it is important to be hygienic in science, especially at the moment to keep us all safe – using glitter as germs we were able to see how quickly germs are spread.

As the weather is changing please make sure your children are keeping warm by bringing in coats, hats and gloves, and they have wellies for playing on the field as it is not suitable for any other type of shoes now. Can we also ask that they have warm PE kit including joggers, and hoodies/jumpers as we try to have PE sessions outside as much as possible.

News from Class Three:



Class Three have had a super return to school this week! They have come back looking refreshed and are eager to learn. Our topic this half-term is 'People of the World' and we have started our new class book: *The Boy at the Back of the Class*. In English this week our writing was based on capturing the feeling of being a new person joining a class – choosing my writer of the week was really hard because they all did some amazing pieces of work!

In maths, Y6 have been learning about the order of operations (and out-smarting calculators!), Y5 have been multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000 and Y4 have been converting mm to cm to m. In geography we were finding out about Syria, where the boy in our book is from, and they created some really great looking maps.

In PE, we have been practicing our map reading skills in orienteering. Our newly appointed sports leaders did a terrific job setting up and leading the different stations and activities this week. We also appointed our new school councillors for the year – congratulations to Eva-Grace, Heath, Lyla and Nathan! They all gave very convincing speeches and the voting was extremely close! Our new Worship Ministry is made up of Nathan, Lyla, Matty and Alfie and they will be leading our collective worships this half-term.

We are still on the field every play time so a change of shoes is still required in school from Monday to Friday each week. PE is on Wednesday and Friday afternoons and kit should consist of a white t-shirt and some suitably coloured tracksuit trousers/joggers and a hoody or jacket. Hats, scarves and gloves would also be a welcome addition as it continues to get colder!

A message from our school Eco-Team



Dear Parents & Carers

As the weather is getting colder and we have entered another lockdown here's a cool eco tip for you. Instead of turning the heating up a notch, turn on some music and have a dance around the room instead. This is a good way to warm you up quickly (it's also great for your mental health). 👍😊

From Jack, Lyla and Alfie (your Eco Chiefs and Mental Health Champions)

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Parentpay – until further notice we are **unable to accept cash** please can you kindly make sure that you are registered with Parentpay and if you have any queries please contact the school office. Lunches and wrap-around care require to be paid for in advance.

School Photographs – these are being sent home today and we ask that orders are made on-line and prior to next Friday 13th November so that orders can be arranged prior to Christmas.

Wraparound Care <https://www.barton.dalesmat.org/our-school/out-of-school-club/>

Friends News <https://www.barton.dalesmat.org/parents/friends-of-barton-school/>

Future Dates More details will usually follow but information for your diary	Barton In the present climate please note that planned events may be subject to change/cancellation at short notice
2020	
October	
9 th	Skip2Bfit Day
11 th	Remembrance Day –pupils to observe in school
13 th	Children in Need - Non uniform day/Fundraising activities
December	
18 th	School Closes for Christmas
2021	
January	
4 th	Staff Training Day
5 th	School re-opens for pupils
February	
3 rd	Skip2Bfit
March	
4 th	World Book Day – themed dress day

Quick/Useful links:

School Lunch Menu:

<http://www.barton.dalesmat.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Menu-Autumn-2020.pdf>

School Holidays/Term Dates

<http://www.barton.dalesmat.org/parents/term-dates/>

The Friends of Barton School easy fundraising at no cost to you, and Christmas shopping ideas

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bartoncoeprimary/>



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