



Barcombe CE Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a pleasure to welcome back all our pupils for Term 2 of this academic year. We have hit the ground running this term, and have begun looking at our *Treasure* topic from a new angle: children will now be studying the Aztecs, the Vikings and the Egyptians to help them delve deeper into the topic of *Treasure*.



Our children are really beginning to think like historians!

Learning Behaviours and Kindness

We encourage our children to work hard in school and to try their hardest even when they find things tricky. In class, we look out for different learning behaviours that will stand the children in good stead as learners and in their lives:

Pride Determination Resilience
Respect Curiosity Independence

In this week's celebration assembly, certificates for these learning behaviours have been awarded to Ella, Jayden, Mireya, Tommy and Henry C.

'In a world where you can be anything, be kind.'

This week's Kindness certificates have been awarded to Emren, Lilly-Grace, Fred, Bertie and Daisy.

This term, we are celebrating a Mathemagician from each class every week. This could be someone who has tried really hard, someone who has made some fantastic progress, or someone who has achieved particularly highly. This week's Mathemagicians are Seb, Ellie-Rose, Essie-Beau, Kamil and Jonah.

Barcombe – a small but mighty school

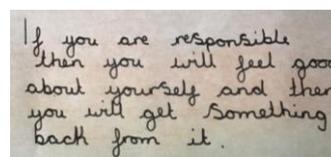
Thank you to everyone who sent in responses about Barcombe School's unique selling points, our USP. Common themes were the setting at the heart of the village, that everyone knows every child, that the school is calm and that the staff are friendly and enthusiastic. There were lots of other really lovely comments about how lovely our school is and what makes it like that. We all know that Barcombe is a very special little school: small but mighty!

We have produced a virtual tour of the school for prospective parents. Please point anyone you know who is considering school places for Reception next September in the direction of our school website. On there is a 'virtual tour' tab. You may also have seen the large signs on the A26 at Clayhill and on the A275 by the Rainbow pub encouraging people to consider Barcombe as their school of choice.

Church Links

Our current school value is Responsibility.

"In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. If you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly." Romans 12:6-8



Hannah C



Ellie-Rose

Google Classrooms and Tapestry

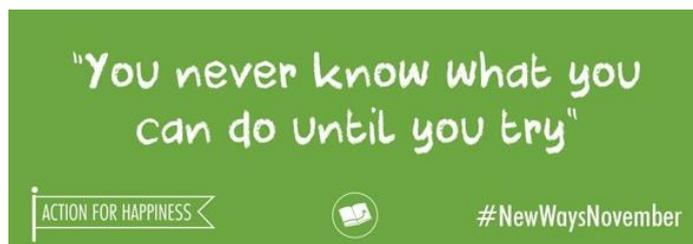
Please make sure your child can log into Google Classroom (or Tapestry for Reception) at home. This is the platform we will use to teach should we need to teach classes remotely. There have been a few teething problems, so please check that your child knows how

Attendance

This week's attendance winners are Fox Class with an outstanding 100% attendance record. Well done, Foxes! Badgers and Owls are close behind with 99.5% and 99.1% respectively.

Our overall attendance currently stands at 98% which exceeds our aim of 97%. Thank you.

Mental Health and Wellbeing



New Half-Termly Wellbeing Group

Helping Your Child with Anxiety

If your child is struggling with worrying or anxiety, this group is for you.

2nd December, 10.00am-10.45am
online – Zoom meeting with Sophie Shannon,
Skylark SENCo

Maximum of 6 Parents and Carers per group.
Please contact your school office to book a place.

Digital Leaders

We are in the process of recruiting Digital Leaders for Barcombe School. These will be children in Years 5 and 6 who have a passion for technology and want to share their knowledge with others and promote the use of all things digital throughout the school. Being a Digital Leader is a fantastic opportunity to take on responsibility, learn new skills, develop and demonstrate leadership skills and be a real help for busy teachers. Over the next few weeks, we will be asking children to demonstrate their skills and to apply for the role if they are interested.

to 'turn in' work. Follow the advice sent to you separately to help.

'Golden Rules' will be set for the use of Google Classroom for the daily class 'check-in' in the event of classes being taught remotely.

Children in Need

Today has been Funky Sock Friday at Barcombe in aid of Children in Need. There have been some truly funky socks!



Wrap Up Warm!

The weather is turning a little chillier, especially first thing in a morning. So your child is warm at playtimes, and as we are endeavouring to keep a constant flow of fresh air in the classrooms, please make sure your child has a jumper in school and brings a warm coat to wear outdoors.

Dates for your diary

December 2020	
Wednesday 2 nd	Decorations Day
Monday 9 th	Jack and the Beanstalk virtual pantomime
Monday 16 th	KS1 virtual nativity available for online viewing
Monday 16 th	KS2 virtual Christmas celebration available for online viewing
Friday 18 th	End of Term 2
January 2021	
Monday 4 th	Start of Term 3 for children

Best wishes,

Ruth Force

Stewart James