

Team Bartons



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This week has seen much colder weather so it is important that the children have a warm coat and a hat, scarves and gloves if possible for break times. This will ensure that they stay warm and please make sure that all items are named.

The colder weather, often brings winter illnesses and it seems that they have arrived at Bartons with a vengeance. Over the last fortnight, there have been many cases of the flu. Many children and staff have been very unwell and so please be vigilant to the symptoms including headache, high temperature, severe bad cough and sore throat. If your child shows signs of a high temperature then to stop the spread of infection they should not come into school. Generally, most children can manage in school with a cough or cold but the high temperature is the indicator that children are unwell and should not be in school.

Internet Safety Day 5th February



Keeping children safe on-line is all of our responsibility and at school we teach and discuss this with the children so that they know the benefits and dangers. With this in mind, I wanted to tell you that the BBC have a internet safety website aimed at 9 to 12 year olds. Its aim is to help develop confidence and resilience in the digital space and offers a range of advice, tips and stories. Please have a look and share with your children as appropriate. The link is www.bbc.co.uk/ownit Other useful sites and resources include www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7 aimed at 5-7 year olds and www.internetmatters.org aimed at 6 - 10 year olds. Internet Safety day is the 5th February and the children will learn about keeping themselves safe on-line and guidance on how to use digital technology. Parents should monitor and stay vigilant to their child's activity on-line.

Class Assemblies

This terms class assembly dates are as follows:

Elm Class: FRIDAY 15th March at 9.15am
Beech Class: THURSDAY 4th April at 9.15am
Chestnut Class: FRIDAY 22nd March at 9.15am
Hazel Class: THURSDAY 28th March at 9.15am
Ash Class: THURSDAY 21st March at 9.15am
Willow Class: THURSDAY 7th March at 9.15am
Lime Class: THURSDAY 14th March at 9.15am
Cedar Class: FRIDAY 29th March at 9.15am
Oak Class: FRIDAY 1st March at 9.15am

We hope that you can join us!

The English Workshop



The English workshop is on the 31st January at 2pm. Please do come along; the English team teachers will talk about developments in Reading and how you can support your child at home.

Book Week Themes

Our annual Book Week starts on the week beginning the 11th March. The whole week is dedicated to literature and the children have the opportunity to learn about an author and explore their work. This enables the children to immerse themselves in the particular style and themes of an author. This week is very popular with the children and it really helps to develop the children's love of reading and books. On Wednesday 13th, the children can come to school dressed as a book character from their classes elected author. This years themes will be:

Elm Class: Traditional Fairy Tale characters
Beech Class: Julia Donaldson
Chestnut Class: Oliver Jeffers
Hazel Class: Roald Dahl
Ash Class : David Walliams
Willow & Lime Class: Cressida Cowell
Oak & Cedar Class: Louis Sachar

These are well known authors appropriate for the particular age groups so if you are not sure who the author is or you are stuck for ideas then please do speak to your child's class teacher who will be happy to help. We hope that you will take part in this fun day and we must stress that **WE DO NOT EXPECT PARENTS TO BUY NEW COSTUMES OR TO WORRY ABOUT WHAT THEY WILL DO**. This is a fun day and homemade costumes are best; we always look forward to seeing the children dressed up. Naturally, if your child has an alternative book character that they favour then they can come as that. Thank you.

Have a great weekend! Kate Powell