

St Bartholomew's Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

School News

Barty Bake Off and Non Uniform Day

We received some absolutely AMAZING cakes for the Barty Bake Off - thank you so much to everyone who contributed. We raised over £300 in total – all money raised will go to Port Macquarie Koala Hospital and WIRES – Wildlife Rescue and Education Service in New South Wales.

The Koala Hospital have also been in touch with us this week and we are currently in the process of adopting a koala – watch this space!

Attendance Awards

Well done to all children who achieved 100% attendance last half term! Our attendance awards will be taking place on the morning of Monday 2nd March. Pangolins, Red Pandas and Bumblebees will be going to the Banqueting Hall at the King and Queen for a celebratory feast, while Koalas, Penguins and Jaguars will be going to Alcampo Lounge for hot chocolate and pastries. You will have been sent this information by SchoolPing. If you would NOT like your child to take part, please let the school office know.

Children with 100% attendance in Puffin Class will get a small prize.

Church School

Christian Values

We are thinking about being disciplined this term as our Christian Value. This is about doing the right thing, even when others are not; or being disciplined to work hard to achieve your goals. We are now entering the Christian period of Lent during which it is a good time to think about how we can be more disciplined as individuals.

Bible Verse

For the Spirit that God has given us does not make us timid; instead, his Spirit fills us with power, love, and self-control. 2 Timothy 1:7 GNT

Reminders and Notices

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place on Tuesday 3rd March from 3.30pm to 5.30pm and Thursday 5th March from 3.30pm to 7pm. Please sign up for a time to meet your child's teacher via School Ping by Monday 2nd March. If you are unable to book on Ping, please speak to the school office.

Parent consultations will take place in the school hall. Please access the hall via the Breakfast Club entrance (the green door opposite Sainsbury's) and ensure that you arrive promptly for your appointment.

Please remember that your child is your responsibility during Parents' Evening, and must not be left unsupervised.

World Book Day

Next week, we will be having World Book Week. Class teachers will plan some activities to encourage pupils to read more and introduce them to new books. World Book Day itself is Thursday 5th March. This year, we will

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be asking children to decorate or dress a potato as a book character! These will need to be made and created at home and brought into school on Wednesday 4th or Thursday 5th. Any potato will do and decorating in any way would be fabulous. It would be useful if your child could bring a label to go with their potato that gives their name, the name of the character and the name of the book they are from. Please ensure that the character is from a **BOOK** your child has read, not from a film they have seen if they haven't read the original book.

It would be fabulous to meet some NEW "potato" characters from books that other children haven't read – this way, World Book Day really will promote reading.

Jaguar Revision Club

Jaguar Revision Club starts next Tuesday (3rd March) and will run until 4pm in the Jaguar classroom. This is a great opportunity for children to do some SATs revision together and we would encourage all Jaguars to attend if they can. Hot chocolate and yummy cookies will be available -

Penguins Go Swimming

Pangolin Class have now finished their swimming sessions. Penguin Class start their swimming sessions on Monday 2nd March. Please ensure you are at school by 8.30am if you would like your child to walk to the pool with school staff. If you are taking your child to the pool yourself, please meet the rest of Penguin Class at the Prince Regent swimming pool at 8.45am.

Scooter Training

Year 2 are currently doing their scooter training and are really enjoying it – despite the weather! Scooter training aims to improve basic skills and increase awareness of possible dangers like driveways and roads, as well as the importance of care whilst scooting by/near pedestrians.

Pedestrian Training

Puffin Class and Red Panda Class will be taking part in Pedestrian Training sessions this half term. These sessions are run by the Road Safety team at Brighton and Hove City Council and will build on the skills which most children would have learnt when in the Infants. Please ensure you return your consent forms by Monday 2nd March by the latest.

Playing Cards

If any families have any packs of playing cards at home that are no longer needed and that you would be willing to donate to school, we would be very grateful for them. Miss Banks is currently busy making packs of maths games for children to play in school to support their maths skills. Please hand any cards in to the school office or Red Panda classroom.

Local Opportunities

Free Family Fun Workshops

Free Family Fun Workshops take place on the first Saturday of every month at Phoenix Art Space, 11am–1pm and 2pm–4pm. Open to all families with children aged 5-14 years, these drop-in sessions offer families a chance to work together and get creative – no experience necessary! Coffee/tea, juice, biscuits and healthy snacks provided. For more information, call 01273 603700 or visit www.phoenixbrighton.org.

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Spring Term Calendar Dates

March

3rd – Parent Consultations (3.30 – 5.30pm)
5th – Parent Consultations (3.30 – 7pm)
6th – Year 4 Class Assembly (9.15 – 9.45am)
W/B 9th – Let's Dance! (TBC)
10th – PTFA Meeting (2.30pm)
17th – Parent Forum (2.30pm)
20th – Year 2 Class Assembly (9.15 – 9.45am)
24th – Year 5 Parents Meeting – PGL (2.30pm)
27th – PTFA Film Night (TBC)
27th – Non-Uniform Day

April

2nd – Easter Parade and Mass (AM)
3rd – Last Day of Term
20th – Pupils return
20th, 21st and 22nd – Year 5 Residential to PGL

Kind Regards

Katie Blood
Headteacher