

Barton Newsletter

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First Steps - Pushchairs

To support those parents/carers who absolutely need to leave their pushchairs outside First Steps through the day, the staff have designated a parking area that hopefully won't obstruct the children's play and safety emergency fire route. Please follow the instructions on the notice.

HOLIDAY CLUB

Our Sunny Smiles Holiday Club will be running from Monday 15th February through to Friday 19th February inclusive. Bookings are now being taken at the school office and are filling up extremely fast. **Bookings can only be taken along with a 25% deposit.** Sessions run from 8.00a.m-1.00p.m and 1.00p.m to 5.30p.m. Each session costs £8.50. During some of the sessions, children will be going out on trips and on other days activities will be based in the Sunny Smiles room. There will be no additional costs for any trips.



DEVELOPMENT DAY – BARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL, BARTON NURSERY & FIRST STEPS NURSERY

Please remember that the school and both nurseries will be shut on Monday 22nd February (the Monday after half term) for staff training.

Sharing Assembly – Friday 12th February

Our next sharing assembly will take place on Friday 12th February. Parents/Carers of children from Reception through to Year 4 are invited to our sharing assembly from **1.15-1.45p.m** if your child has a birthday between Saturday 6th Feb and Friday 12th Feb. Sharing Assembly takes place in the Friday afternoon and parents are invited in during their child's birthday week. They may then stay and help with Golden Time if they wish before taking their child home at 2.50p.m.

CARNIVAL CLUB – IMPORTANT

Please can all t-shirts, hats and lantern poles be returned to Mrs Webb as soon as possible. Carnival Club is not funded by the school – we have to find our own sponsors, so all resources are very precious to us as we recycle wherever possible. Thank you.

DIARY DATES

9th Feb - Lego Man Yr1 9.15 a.m, Yr2 1.15 p.m - parents and carers are invited.
15th-19th Feb - Half Term
22nd Feb - Development Day, Barton School, First Steps Nursery & Barton Nursery
17th-19th March - Year 4 Little Canada
23rd-26th March - Book Fayre
24th& 25th March - Parents' Evenings
2nd-16th April - Easter Holidays
19th April - School re-opens for Summer Term
28th April - Class Photographs
3rd May - Bank Holiday
10th-14th May - Science Week
20th May - Spring Fayre
31st May - 4th June - Half Term
7th June - SATS for 3 weeks
14th June - Development Day for Barton School, Barton Nursery & First Steps Nursery
1st July - Sports Day
14th July - Reports out
16th July - Family picnic
22nd July - School Breaks Up for Summer Holidays
6th Sept - Development Day Barton School & Barton Nursery
7th Sept - Development Day Barton School, Barton Nursery & First Steps Nursery
8th Sept - School opens for Autumn Term

SHARING ASSEMBLY

Ash & Willow – Well done to all the Year 1s who did an excellent job as Museum curators. They spoke to the parents clearly, confidently and with excellent knowledge. The parents were all very Impressed. **Silver Birch** – Reece Barrett for being brave in P.E. Leah Thompson for her excellent presentation in maths. Liam Rance for his brilliant thinking in maths. **Aspen** – Lani Brown, Rosy Kean, Adam Elford, Chloe Williams, Kia Attrill, Bethany Wilson, Kayleigh Rice, Shannen Matthews, Megan Armiger and Jamie Long for bringing in work they had done at home relating to class work. **Apple** – Harri Catania for being kind to others. Nathan Rolfe for trying hard in class. Chloe Taylor for working hard in class. **Sycamore/Reception** – Callum Burnett & Jack Plent for their magnificent maths work on their number 4 page of their books. **Cypress** – Well done Cypress class for making lovely lists. **Star Readers** – Ryan Ridgley, Daisy Woodford, Jamie Lee-Watts, Charlie Hinds, Shannen Matthews, Ashley Wetherick, Megan Armiger and Brogan Hodges.



Safeguarding Children

In light of new guidance all parents/carers on a school trip need to have a "List 99" check. We can do this in school easily with date of birth & address supplied. Only safeguarding issues are highlighted but if you are concerned about this please speak to Mrs Wales.

HEADLICE – Years 2, 3 & 4

Unfortunately we have had incidences of headlice in Reception this week. Please can you check your child's hair this weekend and treat where necessary. An information sheet is available at the office if you require a copy.

Grants for Computers

Home access provide grants to buy computer and internet packages for low income families to learn safely, have fun and achieve more. The programme is aimed at those who need it most. If you answer yes to the three questions in section 1 and yes to at least one question in section 2 below you could be eligible for a Home Access Grant:-
Section 1 – Are you a parent or guardian responsible for and living with a child...

*Who is in school years 3-9, which normally means age 7-14?

*Who attends a state-maintained school in England full-time?

*Who has not already had a computer from a Home Access Grant or any other similar programmes, such as Computers for Pupils?

Section 2 –

*Free School Meals for your child

*Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

*Income Support

*Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and an income of less than £16,040

*Guaranteed Pension Credit (not Savings Credit)

*Income-based Employment Support Allowance

*Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If you think you are eligible please call 0333 200 1004 for an application pack. Alternatively, visit www.homeaccess.org.uk.

Pop academy

Every Saturday 10a.m-3p.m.. Wootton Bridge Community Centre. Perform in live shows, sing and dance. Age 8-16 years. Visit www.eminorpopacademy.co.uk or telephone 07779 638073 to book a free trial.

Finding Alice

A Single Leaf Theatre Company. Saturday 13th February, 3p.m, £6. Quay Arts. Wonderland - Saturday 13th February 12-3p.m. FREE family drop-in workshop before the afternoon children's theatre show "Finding Alice". Telephone 822490 for more information.

Half Term Mardi Gras

Tuesday 16th February at 10.30a.m.-3p.m. Carnival Learning Centre, Ryde. Children £5, Adults Free. Create and perform a carnival parade in a day to celebrate shrove Tuesday and world wide pre Lantern Carnevale, telephone 817288 for further information.

STARTRACK – HALF TERM ACTIVITY

The Isle of Wight Athletic Club are **now** entering into their 16th year of running 'StarTrack'; a fun based multi skill athletics programme that runs during Winter and Summer in the school holidays. The holiday athletics club is a great way for children to be active, in a fun environment whilst enjoying lots of different games and activities with their friends. This very successful programme runs in February half-term and the Summer Holidays has assisted many young athletes to move onward in their chosen sports including athletics. The first Startrack of 2010 will take place at the Fairway Sports Complex, Sandown on Wed, Thurs & Friday 17th/18th/19th February (all days are 10am to 2:30pm). All children aged between 7 to 10 are welcome and the cost is just £30 for all three days including a goody bag. For further details or to book a place for your child please ring Ray Scovell on 405340 or email isleofwightac@btinternet.com