

The Borders Partnership of Primary Schools



Barnby & North Cove Primary School
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Message from Miss Williams – Assistant Academy Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

Miss Jemima Williams

It has been another brilliant week of learning in school and a moment of history in our time. It seems poignant that our assembly theme for this half term is our core value of community. In assembly this week I shared photos of the wider community coming together all over the world to pay their respects to Queen Elizabeth II and welcome in our new sovereign, King Charles III. We reflected on the quote below and shared the significance and importance of working together as a community to make change and support each other.

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I hope you have a restful weekend.

Message from Miss Danks – Acorns Class

What another wonderful week we have had playing and learning together. We have made a start building and performing our Talk for writing story, 'Owl Babies'. We have had great fun making up the actions and signing the words in silly voices.

We were very lucky this week to have an exciting visitor in school. A police officer came to talk to us about staying safe in the community, we tried on lots of different hats and some of us even got to sit in the police car with the blue flashing lights on.

We have spent all week sharing maths stories and building on our knowledge of counting and number. We have had lots of fun dancing around and using our fingers to sing counting songs.

A quick reminder: As the weather is getting wetter and wetter can you please make sure your child has a pair of wellies and a full change of clothes in their bags please, including socks/ tights. All children are expected to have a book bag in school every day as backpacks do not always fit the books in and they can end up getting damaged.











Message from Mrs Bramwell – Oak Class

As everyone probably knows already (but we will just remind you) we LOVE reading. This week we have been very busy reading lots of books to develop our reading VIPERS skills. We have explored new words, found out answers to questions by listening carefully when our friends have been reading aloud and even gasped out loud when Mr Fox had his tail shot off in our class novel Fantastic Mr Fox.

Our visit to the library on Wednesday was great. We were able to swap our books for different ones and talk to friends about why we chose our book.

We have also been counting up how many times we have read this week. Our Reading Champion has read 7 in school and at home this week. Well done Georgie! I wonder who will be our champion next week - will it be you?





Message from Mr Huxtable – Willow Class

Willow Class have been busy this week exploring problems with place value. I have been really impressed with how far we have come so far. We have continued to learn how to partition numbers and represent them in many ways. Our next challenge is to learn how to double numbers to 100. This will be great for our mental arithmetic!

We are excited for our sustainability project as well and I would like to say a huge thank you for the contributions so far. We need as many as we can get each week so we can start building straight away. Then I would love to hear ideas of what we could grow!

Our fantastic learners are continuing to reflect on our learning characteristics and this week I have noticed a huge increase in the amount of risk takers in lessons. Plenty of children are growing in confidence and are willing to share their questions and answers in front of their peers. This is a really important part of our Learning Pi and Learning Characteristics programme for which I look forward to speaking to you more about very soon.



Message from Mr Lea – Chestnut Class

It has been a busy week for Chestnut class. We continued our study of the Anglo-Saxons invasion - focusing on where they came from and thinking about the reasons behind their move to Britain. Some of us believed it was down to trying to gain more power in the world. We look forward to finding out more in the forthcoming weeks!

In Maths we began our work on the four operations - developing our own written method for Addition. We will explore the concepts of Subtraction, Multiplication and Division soon.

Our learning at home is now established with the following taking place each week:

- 1. Homework tasks being set from Tuesday to Tuesday
- 2. Spellings being set from Wednesday to Wednesday
- 3. Reading to an adult at least 3 times a week

After a week of being in Chestnut class we also set ourselves a challenge related to our Learning Characteristics. We discussed the different qualities that are integral parts of our work in lessons. We have all decided we want to be 'Hexagon Megaphones' setting our own personal target of developing our understanding of one of the Learning Characteristic Hexagons. We created a strategy to help us with this task too. We look forward to tracking our progress and reflecting as we move through this academic year.

