

The Borders Partnership of Primary Schools

Barnby & North Cove Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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Message from Mr Huxtable—ISL

A warm welcome to the new academic year!

Everyone at Barnby and North Cove hopes you and your families have had a fantastic Summer break. We are all enthusiastic about welcoming your children back into our classrooms to continue their wonderful learning.

This week, we have been focussing on what it means to "Be Ready" as part of our golden rules. The children have been fantastic in explaining to their peers and their teachers about the different expectations, routines and behaviours that you might expect to see from a learner who is ready to learn! It would be fantastic if you could talk to your child about what this means to them.

Next week, if you haven't already, you will receive class timetables and curriculum maps demonstrating the learning that your child will access and enjoy this term. Class teachers will also be holding a brief meeting after school to go through routines such as home learning, spellings, reading and times tables. This date will be confirmed via an email from our office.



learning fun!

BNC Clubs

Our Escape club provisions for next half term:



The Escape clubs are run by committed staff between the hours of 3:15pm - 4:15pm at a cost of £3.50. Pre-booking for the clubs is **essential**, so we are able to ensure there are enough resources for each child. If your child is not booked on the club, we will call you to collect them.

Alongside our main club activities, we will be inviting children to join our clubs without charge to benefit from extra child's class teacher will be in touch if your child is selected for this half term.

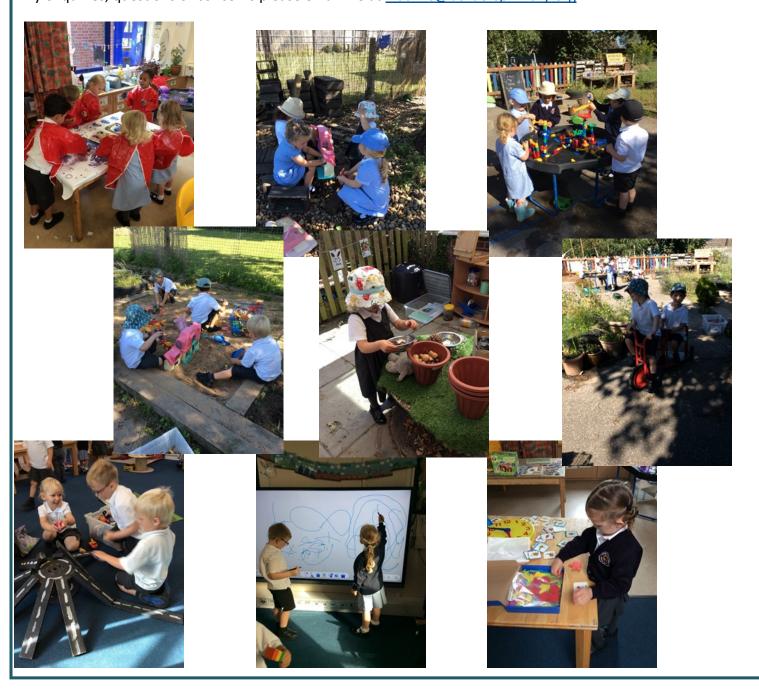
Message from Miss Danks—Acorn Class

What a fantastic first week back we have had in Acorn class! We have been learning and practicing new routines and behaviors so that we can show we are ready to learn. We have learned about our golden rules; Be Ready, Be Safe, Be Respectful. We have been joined by new friends and have had a wonderful time getting to know each other. We are learning about how everyone is unique and different and how to celebrate and embrace others' individuality. We have also begun learning about what a growth mindset means and how we can exercise our brains like a muscle by making mistakes and learning from them; the more mistakes we make and persevere with, the bigger our brains will grow!

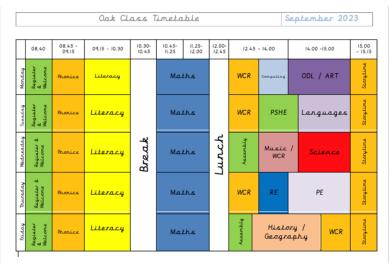
Things to note: Outdoor learning will be on a Monday, P.E. will now take place on a Friday morning and books will be changed on a Monday morning.

Next week we will be learning about families. If you could send in or email pictures of your family with a description on the bag with names etc. it would be very much appreciated.

Any enquiries, questions or concerns please email me at k.danks@bordersprimary.org



Welcome Back!



Hello

What a lovely first week we have enjoyed as the new Oak Class. I have been blown away with how all the children have settled into the classroom routines and despite temperatures being as hot as July we have all tried our very best. We have been looking at ways to be

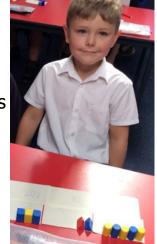
ready to learn in our classroom. This has included making sure we have our pencil cases; we are sitting listening and being in the right place at the right time. Another way we can be ready to learn is ensuring we have the right equipment from home. We will need our art aprons on Mondays this half term and our outdoor learning kit after our autumn break. Our PE sessions will be on a Thursday afternoon. I will be sending out a curriculum overview next week so you are aware of what we will be learning this term.

Maths and Aliens

On Wednesday we discovered an alien spaceship had landed in our garden. The alien – Beegu is still missing, and we would appreciate you keeping an eye out for a 'funny, little, yellow alien with three eyes and long ears.' If you see her, please let anyone in Oak Class know as we have discovered her spaceship.



objects were sorted.





Email me <u>m.bramwell@bordersprimary.org</u> with all of your out of school adventures. We love hearing about life outside of school.

Message from Mrs Hall—Willow Class

Well what a week we have had! Well done Willow for coming back to school full of energy and enthusiasm. Thank you to everyone for being very welcoming and helpful to those of us new to the school. I certainly appreciate how everyone has helped me these first few days as I get to grips with the routine. You have all been very patient with me, a huge thank you.

Willow have got stuck into learning with gusto. We have been recapping place value and started to look at numbers up to and beyond 100. We have tested our knowledge on how to use a variety of resources and methods to do our work including using base-10, place value counters and cards as well as drawing part-whole models and writing number sentences.

In English, we will be tucking into Michael Morpurgo's War Horse, which is in line with our global citizen theme of peace and conflict. We have also started investigating warning stories. We have looked at the features and pattern and will be working towards writing our own warning story.

R.E was a lot of fun this week. We are studying the Bible and how Christians use it and value it. We had a little quiz about its features and then learnt about two of its authors, Paul and Moses. We thought about some questions we would ask Paul and Moses if we were to interview them as authors. The class produced a good range of questions and then the fun began. A few of the class were brave enough to become the authors and be hot seated by the class. They did an amazing job, certainly a highlight to our day. I think we will be hot seating often this year!

After a busy and exciting week I am sure we are all looking forward to the weekend for a bit of a rest. I hope you have a great weekend.

P.S I am still trying to learn who everyone is, so please give me a wave on the playground when collecting your child to help me remember, thank you.

Message from Mr Euinton - Chestnut Class

I've been very impressed with how quickly the children in Chestnut Class have been getting back into the routine of the school day. They've been very helpful to me as I also adapt to a new environment and I've been struck by how positive the learning environment is at Barnby and North Cove is - I'm really looking forward to getting to know everyone better as the year progresses. To that end, please know that I am always happy to talk and operate an open door policy.

This week we have been looking at Roman numerals in mathematics which the children have taken to very well.

Next week's learning will move on to place value which is an important foundation for everything we'll do for the rest of the year. It's been really pleasing to see how the children are happy to give things a go, take risks and learn from mistakes - this is a great starting point and fills me with confidence for the year ahead. In English we have been considering the book After the Fall which tells the story of how Humpty Dumpty got back up again. The children have been using different techniques to write some great descriptions and have used a variety of literary devices to create some vivid imagery. Over the coming weeks we will be putting those skills into practice as we write our own narrative quests. We have also been discussing the importance of being ready, being respectful and being safe. The children have shown they are able to think deeply about the different aspects of each of these and have made some really insightful observations. Well done to Chestnut Class for a fantastic start!