



**Barby Church of England Primary School**

**Newsletter**

**April 2021**

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*I hope that you all enjoyed a lovely Easter holiday. As always, the staff team at Barby have been incredibly impressed by the way that the children have returned to school and settled well into learning and school life.*

*This week, I have had a steady stream of proud children coming to my office to share and celebrate their amazing efforts with me. We are proud of all of our children and look forward to sharing their many achievements with you in our forthcoming parents' consultation meetings.*

***Meeting Mrs Bedi***

Mrs Bedi who will be leading the school in September will be coming to visit the school on Tuesday afternoon (20th April).

She will meet staff and pupils during the afternoon and will be available to say hello to parents and carers as you collect your children at the end of the school day. Please join me in making her feel very welcome.

***Parents Consultation Meetings***

Parents' Consultation Meetings will take place after school next week (w/c 26<sup>th</sup> April). Appointments are being sent to parents by text. If you have not received your appointment, please contact Mrs Clift in the school office who will ensure that a convenient time is arranged for you.



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### *NMPAT Strings Recital*

This Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Northampton's Peripatetic Music Team (NMPAT) will be visiting Barby to provide our Key Stage 2 children with a strings recital.

We have worked with NMPAT to ensure that Covid safety measures are implemented.

We greatly look forward to their visit, please look at our Twitter feed @BarbyCEPrimary to share the experience!

### *Drop off times*

Thank you to everyone for using the full duration of our drop off times (8.45 – 9am) to ease congestion in the mornings as part of our Covid safety measures.

Please could I ask that all children are dropped off by 9am when registers are taken and our daily collective worship begins.

Arriving after 9 means that children are late for the start of the day and will need to enter the school via the main school entrance rather than their classroom door as teachers are already beginning their morning sessions.

If there is a specific reason for arriving after 9 that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

### *Bringing in items from home*

We have noticed an increase in items from home being brought into school this week.

Please could we ask that only essential items are brought to school by children (lunch box, water bottle, book bag, coat).

Children should not be bringing in trading cards, please do remind them that these must stay at home. Teachers will look after any unnecessary items brought in by children until the end of the school day before handing them back to you at collection time.

### *Thank you to our Friends of Barby School*

We would like to say a huge thank you to our Friends Association whose fundraising efforts have raised monies that we have used to purchase some new practical Science equipment to allow all of our children to enjoy practical activities, experiments and learning in Science. We are really excited about this and look forward to seeing them in use this term. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this.

### *Important Dates*

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Parent Consultation Meetings

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bank Holiday, school is closed

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Life Education Bus Visit

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May – School closes for Half Term

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – School re-opens to pupils (Term 6)

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, 3pm – School closes to pupils for the Summer

### *Term Dates 2021 -22*

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Teacher Training Days

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September – School opens to pupils.



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