



Barnburgh Primary School

Newsletter

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Headteacher: Mrs Potts

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It has been another busy week at Barnburgh Primary.

On Thursday this week I received some very exciting news. I am bursting with excitement to inform you that substantial building work on our Early Years unit is due to commence at the start of the Easter holiday. This is going to cause some major disruption for the first few weeks of the summer term. I am holding a meeting on Monday night with all our stakeholders to plan alternative arrangements and risk assess a temporary setting for our Nursery and Reception children. As soon as I am satisfied with the alternative provision I will arrange a meeting with our Early Years parents to share new arrangements.

You will no doubt be aware that on Friday 24th March it is Red Nose Day – my favourite sort of day! It will give us the chance to have some fun and raise some money to help others. This year I want to make a whole school pop video! On the Red Nose Day primary website we have access to a song that has been written especially for the day which includes dance moves! I intend to start learning it with the children during assembly next week and I have set all our staff the challenge of learning it as well. One of the activities I want to do on the day is film the children singing, dancing and performing to the song in various different settings in the school (hall, playground, classrooms, corridors...). It is my intention to then edit the footage to create our own version of the Red Nose Day song to then sell at a small charge on DVDs in order to raise money for a good cause. It is, of course, slightly self-indulgent but I'm sure the children will love dancing with the grown-ups, especially when we try to dab!

Next Wednesday we will be welcoming two members of the local authority to our school to carry out a teaching and learning review. During the day they will observe some lessons, talk to children, look in children's books and analyse our data. The purpose of the review is to assess the progress that our school is making against the Ofsted recommendations. It will be a busy day but we look forward to the support and feedback.

Finally, I can't complete my newsletter this week without saying a HUGE thank you to our Year 4 pupils who have been on a school trip to Yorkshire Water today. I have stayed in contact with the staff throughout the day who have reported that 'the children have been a credit to the school' and that 'it has been an absolute pleasure to spend the day with them'. I look forward to hearing all about the trip from the children next week.

Mrs J Potts.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNORS

The governors are pleased to inform parents that at the full governing body meeting on Tue 28 Feb 2017. Mrs Nicola Telling-Jones was elected onto the governing body. Nicola had expressed an interest in joining the governing body previously, has both the educational knowledge and the availability during the day to help monitor the areas of teaching and learning that governorship is required to be accountable for. I shall let Nicola introduce herself to you all, through her pen portrait which will be available on the website shortly.

The governing body would like to thank other parents who have expressed an interest recently or in the past for their enquiry but who have felt that now is not the right time. Your interest has been noted and you will be kept informed of any future opportunities.

ATTENDANCE

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
100%	85.8%	98.3%	100%	100%	93.5%	96.2%

CONGRATULATIONS TO RECEPTION, YEAR 3 & YEAR 4

100% is a tremendous achievement!

The children are rewarded with extra playtime.

