



The Borders Partnership of Primary Schools Barnby & North Cove Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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Junior Road Safety Officers

The Junior Road Safety Officers are running a campaign to encourage clean air and reduce pollution.

Air pollution is the largest environmental health risk we face today and we all need to do our part to help reduce this.

As a school we are asking you to help us with this by our anti idling campaign which encourages you to switch off your engines in your car if you are parked up, or just dropping somebody off rather than leaving the engine running.

By just turning off your engine for a short amount of time this can make a significant difference to the emissions leaving your exhaust and can help towards our clean air campaign. Clean air is so beneficial for us all and we hope you find out more interesting facts in the leaflet we have included. We will be doing some interesting activities around this subject within school.

Any questions please just ask Mrs Jackson.

Why air pollution matters

Air pollution could be damaging your family's health. Air pollution can move from your lungs into your bloodstream and reach many organs. It can particularly affect individuals who are more vulnerable to harm.

- Linked to low birth weight and can lead to premature birth and pregnancy loss.
- Can affect children's lung development during pregnancy and after birth.
- Causes heart and lung diseases and may even contribute to mental health issues.
- Potentially increases the risk of getting dementia.

About Clean Air Day

Air pollution is largest environmental health risk we face today, according to the UK government and the World Health Organisation (WHO). Clean Air Day is the UK's biggest air pollution campaign. It's a chance to find out more about air pollution, share information, and make the air cleaner and healthier for everyone.

Air pollution dirties every organ in the body

Air pollution can harm every organ in your body and can shorten our lives, contribute towards chronic illness and put us more at risk from COVID-19.

This Clean Air Day there are simple steps we can all take to cut down on the pollution we cause and use our voices to fight for a cleaner air future.

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cleanairday.org.uk

Air pollution when we are out and about

Air pollution is damaging you and your family's health. Every year, up to 36,000 people die from air pollution in the UK.

Where does outdoor air pollution come from?

There are many sources of outdoor air pollution including road transport, energy generation, industry, open fires, stoves, and agriculture.



Our air pollution crisis is solvable and there are simple steps we can all take to help our family avoid toxic air and cut down on the pollution we emit - good for us and good for the planet too.

Drive less

Leave the car at home - Walk, cycle or take public transport to work or school.



Use quieter streets when you're on a bike or on foot to avoid polluted main roads.



Work from home more often - challenge your workplace to make this easier for you.

If driving is essential



Go electric - There are lots of ways you can travel electric. Hire an electric car, taxi or test drive an electric vehicle today.



Don't idle - If you drive, turn off your engine when your vehicle is stationary, and it is safe to do so.

Avoid burning at home



Avoid using wood burning stoves and open fires - If it is essential, only burn dry, well-seasoned or 'Ready-to-Burn' labelled wood, or smokeless fuel.



Avoid burning household and garden waste - take it to the tip instead.

Wise up



Learn more about air pollution - visit and share the CleanAirHub.org.uk with everything you need to know about air pollution in one place.



Support local change - talk to your local Councillors and MP about air pollution in your area and ask what you can do to support the local plan (and if there isn't one, demand one).



Share your experiences - let others know what you are doing to tackle air pollution and help inspire others at @CleanAirDayUK #cleanairday.

Message from Miss Danks—Acorn Class

What a super start to the year! This week we have settled back in and welcomed new friends into our class community. We have explored new areas and resources in our classroom and have had lots of fun learning through our play. We have started a new talk for writing story called 'Whatever next' by Jill Murphy and explored Julia Donaldson's 'A squash and a squeeze' in our guided reading sessions. In maths we have been using stories to count and practice mathematical concepts and have answered the question 'Is none a number?'



Show and tell will continue to be every other Wednesday; the next session will be Wednesday 18th January.

P.E is every Thursday. The children will need a pair of indoor shoes, outdoor trainers, blue polo top, black shorts and dark jumper and jogging bottoms for outside.



Outdoor learning sessions will be replaced by Art this term but we will be learning and exploring outside lots still so it would be great if you could make sure children have a warm spare pair of clothes and pair of wellies at school for this.

Reading logs are checked daily to record any reading that is done at home so the children can work towards being the reading champion for the week (the child/children that have read the most). Children are expected to read a minimum of 3 days a week but every day is ideal.

Message from Mrs Bramwell—Oak Class

The first three days of term have passed so quickly! Is it really Friday already?

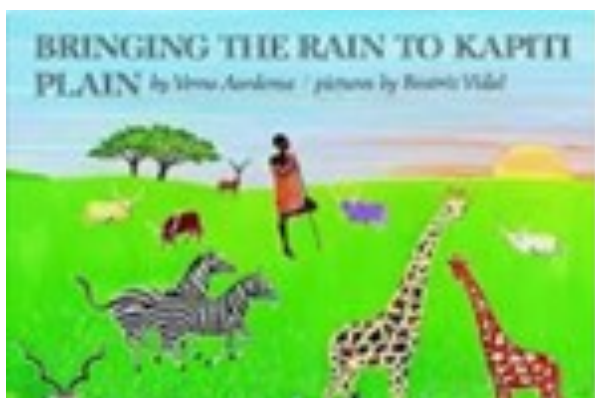
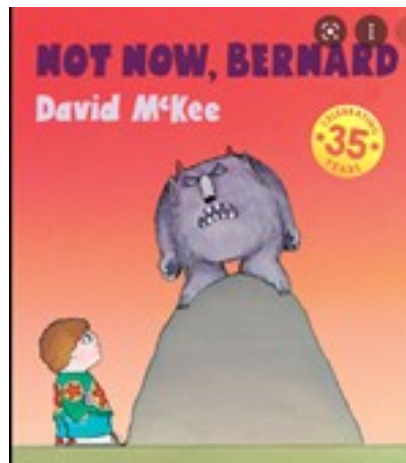
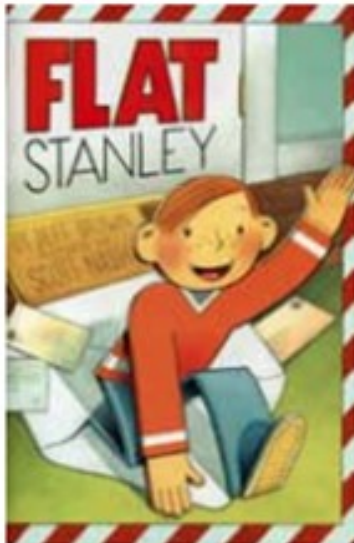
We have begun our Reading Champion challenge in earnest this week with every child reading aloud a part of the story of The Tiger who came to Tea. It is so wonderful to hear their confident voices and for everyone to enjoy a story together. We have also started our new chapter book Flat Stanley. Ask your child how Stanley ended up flat. His little brother Arthur had such a shock when he woke up!

There are many books on our list to read in class this half term. There are some pictures of their covers here. We also love to share books from home too so if you have a great book you would like to bring into school to share, we would really like to read it.

Please remember to read at home too and write in the reading record books. I will be adding the times the children read in class too so we can wow Mr Lea with our scores at the end of the week. It doesn't need to be a book or story. It could be the back of a cereal box or a leaflet from somewhere you have visited.

Our library day remains a Tuesday this half term.

Have a great weekend.



Message from Mr Huxtable—Willow Class

Welcome back to an exciting new year. I hope everyone enjoyed a fun and restful Christmas break. We have certainly looked forward to welcoming the children back into school to continue their fantastic learning.

We have spent plenty of time this year already focussing on the wonderful world of reading! It would be great for this to continue. Our focus on collecting reads in reading records continues however we will also be looking at children's attitude to reading whilst selecting our reading champions. Reading can open the world to children whether they want to expand their imagination or gather fantastic new knowledge. We think it is really important to highlight those who demonstrate their joy of reading and they should be celebrated for behaviours that help their ambitions towards excellence.

As has already been communicated via email, Spelling lists have been sent out this week and your child will need to be practising those ready for the upcoming tests over the course of this half term. On that sheet, there is an outline of our approach to learning our spellings during the week. I also wanted to share one further strategy that your child may find useful for learning their spellings. It is not advised to be the only method but it may be fun and something different in the routine.

This strategy is all about making a word memorable. It links to meaning in order to try to make the spelling noticeable.



You can't use this method as your main method of learning spellings, but it might work on those that are just a little more difficult to remember.

Message from Mr Lea – Chestnut Class

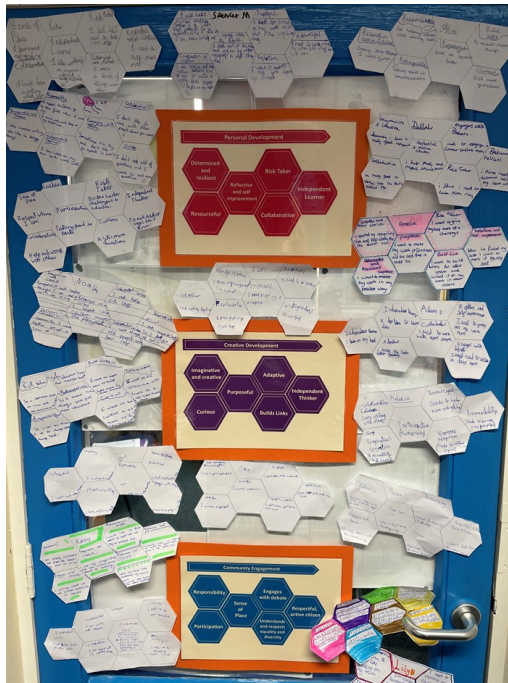
In the first few days of this term, Chestnut class have been in a reflective mood!

We considered the Learning Characteristics that are part of our everyday work and as it is January (named after the Roman God Janus who had two faces - one looking back and one looking forward) we considered which of these we felt were a strength of our work and those that we still need to focus on this term.

We created a display of our thoughts and will use these to monitor our improvements throughout the Spring term.

A lot of discussions have taken place this week regarding the Winterton Residential trip in June - a reminder for all parents that deposits and consent forms must be in by Friday 13th January. Please see me if there are any queries.

Chestnut class are also getting excited about starting Swimming sessions next week - all Swimming kit should be in every Wednesday this term.



Reading Champions

Reading Champions will be back next Monday!!

Encourage your child to read with you this weekend!

Remember it can be a School book, a book from home, a recipe, a newspaper, etc.. - anything that will provide them with a positive experience of Reading!

Thank you all in advance for your support!