







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



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Updated BNC Clubs—Autumn 2

Our updated Escape club provisions for next half term:

Monday: Arts & Crafts 	Tuesday: Board Games Club 	Wednesday: Singing Club 	Thursday: Science Club 
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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 learning. Your child's class teacher will be in touch if your child is selected for this half term.

JRSO

The Junior road safety team would like to ask the children to design a T-shirt for brightness day and children in need day. The t-shirt can have the pudsey bear design on it if they wish or just be bright and colourful, even with stickers or glitter. The brighter the better.

More information regarding Brightness day and children in need will be sent closer to the time.

A prize will be given to one child from each class. We hope to have lots of children take part, as our cycling helmet competition was a big success within the school.

The t-shirts need to be handed in by next Friday to Mrs Jackson.

From the road safety team, Mrs Jackson, Olivia and Millie

Message from Miss Danks—Acorn Class

We have had a wonderful first week back in Acorn Class. We have had lots of Halloween and Autumn themed activities which the children have absolutely loved! We have completed our 'Owl Babies' 'talk4writing' story and the video will be posted on our facebook page very soon! If you would not like this to be shared for your child please let me know. We have begun using our new story sacks to support our story-telling and the children thoroughly enjoyed using the characters and props to



enthusiastically retell a range of well-known stories. In maths we have been learning about more and less. We have focused on one less and practiced the composition of the number 3.

We have worked so hard in our learning that we have filled our class pom pom jar! Which is very exciting as it means we can choose an activity for our 'class family' to do together. The children all decided they wanted to go camping however, given the

weather, this is probably not the best idea. Therefore we are going to get creative with the idea. On Friday the 10th November we will be having a class campout. We will be building dens, drinking hot chocolate with marshmallows and making a campfire to sing songs and have stories around. Could each child bring in one blanket and one teddy for the camp out. Could we also have donations of junk modelling items as ours is running low and we would like to build our 'fire' together.



As a reminder please make sure you are completing the phonics learning sheets WITH your child so that they are forming the letters correctly and not forming 'bad habits' in their writing.



Message from Mrs Bramwell—Oak Class

It has been a blustery week in Oak Class with leaves swooping and swirling, conkers cracking and dropping and the wind rattling and whistling. We have been exploring verbs and adjectives for our poetry, writing about autumn and reading stories about storms. We have been inspired by the changes around us and the real life storm we have experienced. We have been practicing how to present our poems on paper, writing short lines and verses rather than sentences. Our presentation is improving and that means more friends can enjoy our work.

Before half term we made animals from clay with Miss Eglar and below are some of the sculptures decorated with natural resources.



Reminder -

With the change in the weather over the last week and our desire to ensure all children have opportunities to play outside in all weathers, could you please ensure your child has a change of shoes and warm / waterproof outdoor clothing. These can be kept in school and taken home at the weekend for any family adventures. Thank you.

Message from Mrs Hall—Willow Class

Welcome back Willow. I hope you have all had an amazing half term. Unfortunately I have been hit with Laryngitis and so have had a week without a voice, which has certainly been challenging. But fear not, we got through didn't we. Well done everyone for battling through a very unusual week. Hopefully, my voice will be back to its old self soon. Thank you for being patient with me this week.

We have a Greek theme this term. In history, we will be investigating Ancient Greek life. We looked at timelines this week, and had a go at understanding dates. Initially, we were baffled by the BCE and CE dates. But after some practice ordering events we finally cracked it. We ordered some historic events and artefacts and looked at how historians and archeologists use timelines when investigating their finds and piecing together periods of history.

In English, we are studying Greek myths. We discussed what a Greek myth is, what their purpose is and who they were written for. Theseus and the Minotaur was our first myth, which we used to get an idea of how they are structured. We then began reading The Adventures of Odysseus and created a story map for the first part of the journey. Today, we will be looking closely at the mythical creatures found in Greek myths and creating a character description for our Cyclops from the story.

In maths, we are continuing our journey through addition and subtraction. We have been working hard to conquer the column method, especially those tricky exchanges. Willow class have been working very hard and practicing their skills in their books.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

If you are visiting fireworks displays, or having your own at home, please stay safe and have fun.

Mrs Hall.

Message from Mr Euinton – Chestnut Class

Welcome back everyone! It's been stormy outside but nice and calm inside and I've been impressed with how quickly the children settled back into school routines. It's been very productive too...

In English we've published the poems that the children worked so hard on last term and started looking at our next piece of written work. We've looked at Odysseus's encounter with Polyphemus and Beowulf's with Grendel and created our own monsters which will become the antagonists to be defeated by our own heroes. We will be looking to use a variety of literary techniques to create suspenseful and entertaining stories over the coming weeks. In mathematics, we have continued our unit of study of the four basic operations and have been focusing on multiplication - this week we have built up to multiplying 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers and we will be looking at using these skills to solve more complex problems next week before starting to think about rules of divisibility.

In the foundation subjects, the children have consolidated their understanding of the effect of the transatlantic slave trade on modern-day Brazil by producing double-paged spreads and had some fascinating discussions about the nature of suffering in preparation of our consideration of the Four Noble Truths and Eightfold Path of Buddhism.

Have a great weekend!

Pupil Parliament

Pupil Parliament and Mrs Sharman would like to say a huge thank you to those of you who donated food for our appeal. Reverend Phil Cudmore collected it the Friday before the half term holidays and delivered it to the Waveney Foodbank which operates from St Lukes Church in Beccles. The photographs show our Pupil Parliament with the collection earlier that week and the final collection at St Luke's Church.



JRSO

This year's [Road Safety Week](#) takes place between 19 and 25 November 2023 and will bring communities and professionals together to talk about speed. Five people die on roads every day, so why do we still think it's OK to speed?

The 2023 campaign will start the conversation about why speeding is thought of as acceptable in some situations, what happens when we speed and why reducing speed saves lives. We will be taking to the children about being sensible in cars whilst adults are driving and how to be good pedestrians whilst out on your journeys as well.

We would encourage as many people to think about their journeys to school and be mindful of their speed whilst travelling and their parking when dropping off and picking up their children from school.

Many thanks

The junior road safety team,

Mrs Jackson, Millie and Olivia

The image shows the Road Safety Week 2023 logo and promotional text. The logo features the text "Let's talk about..." in a red speech bubble, followed by "ROAD SAFETY WEEK" in black and red. Below this, the word "SPEED" is written in large, bold, black letters. To the left of "SPEED", the dates "19-25 November 2023" are listed. At the bottom, a black banner contains the text "Five people die on roads every day" and a red banner contains the text "Why do we still think it's OK to speed?". Below these banners, the website "www.brake.org.uk/RoadSafetyWeek" is listed, along with logos for Brake, ARVAL, and DHL.