

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



### EDITION 9, FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER, AUTUMN 2

### Important dates:

Monday 13th November—Individual school photos, PM Tuesday 14th November – Snow White Pantomime at school Friday 17th November – Children In Need – Wear it bright day Friday 8th December – Christmas Jumper day Friday 8th December – PTA Carols and Fair, 3:30 – 5:00 Tuesday 12th December – Christmas lunch (letter to follow) Tuesday 12th December – EYFS & KS1 Christmas performance, PM (times to follow) Thursday 14th December - EYFS & KS1 Christmas performance, PM (times to follow) Thursday 18th December – KS2 Christmas performance, PM (times to follow) Tuesday 19th December – PTA Light up bright walk, 4:30 Wednesday 20th December – Last day of term Wednesday 3rd January – PD Day Thursday 4th December – Back to school

# Message from Pupil Parliament & Junior Road Safety Officers

Next week we will be collaborating in assembly for Children in Need and Brightness Day, where we highlight the need to be seen by traffic when out & about now the nights are drawing in. We will be asking our pupils to dress in something yellow, spotty or bright next Friday, 17th November. This can be a combination of all 3. We will be asking for a non-uniform donation of £1 if possible and also, if they would like to, bring in pennies to lay on our

picture of Pudsey Bear. They money raised will be donated to Children in Need, a very worthwhile cause. We are looking forward to a very bright day!



## Message from Miss Danks - Acorn Class



This week in Acorn class we have started learning about the Arctic and Antarctic! We have learned all about polar bears and penguins and how and why they do not live in the same place. We have located them on the world map and globe and have begun to look at the similarities and differences between the animals that live there. We have had lots of fun making snow for our arctic animals and have enjoyed finding out new facts in our frozen reading area!



In talk4writing we have started our new story 'The Enormous Turnip'. We have read through the story, had a go at drawing the characters and have used masks to act it out! We will begin writing it down and building the actions for it in the coming week.

In maths we have consolidated our learning of number bonds to 3 and will start to build numbers 4 and 5 next week. We have also begun learning some new prepositional language. We use stories and games to describe where something is in relations to our surroundings. We are building a bank of these throughout the day as we read, learn and play.

Show and tell is on Wednesday this coming week.















## Message from Mrs Bramwell - Oak Class



We have become published poets this week after completing our Autumn Poetry unit of work in English. The children have tried really hard to make sure they choose the right verbs and adjectives to create an image of autumn in the reader's mind. Some examples are shared below.

In our science work we have been exploring world habitats, in particular desert, ocean, rainforest and polar. We looked at some of the common features living things shared that live in each habitat. This helped us when we were working in teams to sort the living things into their habitats. We had lots of fun completing this activity and there was lots of scientific discussion around what living things need to survive and how animals have adapted the colour of their fur to ensure they are camouflaged from predators.

#### Enjoy the weekend!



### Message from Mrs Hall - Willow Class



A lovely week of discovery for Willow class.

We had an unusual visitor during our history lesson. Our time machine cupboard brought an ancient Greek woman to our classroom. The children were busy writing questions for her so she must have heard their inquisitive nature and came to help them out. We thought about life in ancient Greece and compared the lives of different individual. Having asked the ancient Greek lady their questions, the children were then able to ask me the same questions to see how life as an ancient Greek woman compare to the life of a modern day woman.

In maths, we finished our addition and subtraction module and have now taken our first steps into multiplication. As we learn our multiplication facts and techniques we will continue to practice our times tables. We have been using videos on You Tube to learn our times tables to popular songs. If you would like to practice at home the You Tube channel is called 'Laugh along and learn'. They have put times tables to songs including Disney songs. Every child should have their log in details for Times Table Rock Stars, please continue to practice using the app as much as possible. Learning times table facts and methods will be more efficient with good times table recall.

In English, we are studying Greek Myths. We have continued to read several myths in our whole class reading and English lessons. This week we have focused on various writing techniques, including how to write an action scene. Collectively, we created a good list of verbs and adverbs that we can use later in our writing.

The Greek theme continued into our art lessons, where we studied Greek pottery and their patterns. In computing, I have introduced the children to a book creator website. We will be using this site to create a comic book. The children will design and write the book themselves based on one of the Greek myths.

Science club this week was particularly messy but good fun. Their challenge was to get a ball into a pot without touching it. We looked at videos of marble runs then the children were provided with many different resources to build their own. Prior to the task, we discussed how objects move through the transfer of energy and forces acting on the object. The children were very engaged and had great fun. I do apologies if you find you homes turned upside down and into giant marble runs!



## Message from Mr Euinton - Chestnut Class

A jam packed week this week. After considering examples from The Odyssey and Beowulf, the children have been honing their writing skills - we've been looking at fixed epithets, kennings, powerful adjectives, precise verbs and a variety of techniques with which to build suspense... Next week we will be planning and starting to draft our own stories of heroes overcoming monsters. We have also considered In Flanders Fields by John McCrae and Dulce et Decorum Est by Wilfred Owen in reflection of remembrance and the children designed and made their own poppies using a variety of techniques. In mathematics, we have finished our work on multiplication and are moving on to looking at division in more depth next week - if the children can practise their times tables as much as possible (either using TTRS or any other method) at home, it will definitely help them in this unit.

Across the foundation curriculum, we have been looking at suffering more in RE and in particular how suffering impacted Siddartha Gautama on his path to enlightenment and in geography we started our unit on the Amazon rainforest. We located rainforests on a world map and then researched features of the Amazon in particular.

This week also saw the children of the pupil parliament convene with children from our sister schools in the wider trust to agree their focus and plan what they want to achieve this year - no doubt there will be much more on that in the coming weeks and months.

Have a great weekend everyone!





## Junior Road Safety Officers

The junior road safety team would just like to remind you that the brightness/pudsey t shirt competition t shirt design need to be in by next Wednesday. We have received lots of wonderful creative t shirts and look forward to seeing many more from the children in the next few days

### Save The Date

Our whole school social action project this term involves decorating a tree for the Christmas Tree Festival in Beccles. Our theme is "Rhyming Around the Christmas Tree." Each class has chosen a nursery rhyme and is busy making tree decorations.

We are pleased to be taking part in a community event and very much hope that you will be able to visit the festival at the end of November to celebrate the children's creations.

