

Barrs Court Primary Newsletter

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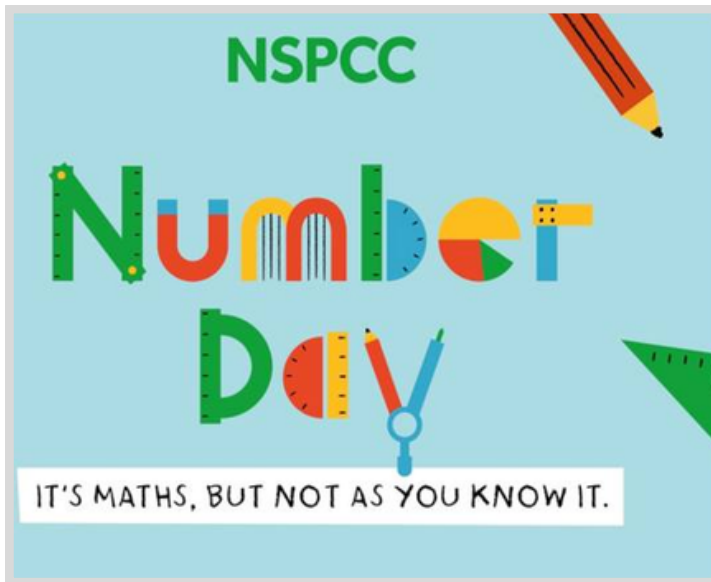
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The long days of January have finally come to an end, and spring is just around the corner. This week, we have seen the first daffodil flower on the school grounds. It has been another busy week in all areas. In Reception, they have been learning all about Chinese New Year, which is next week. They have learnt about the traditions associated with the celebration, including the dances and lanterns. Some have even mastered how to use chopsticks! In the Red Area this week, they have been making sandwich wraps using different fillings while learning about different food textures. In the Blue Area, they have continued to investigate electrical circuits and made scribblebots. All the children had lots of fun and can't wait for end of Enquiry task.

Green Area went to the Life Skills Centre today. At the centre, they take part in realistic scenarios, which include houses, a road, a shop, a dark alleyway, a river, and a railway line. Visitors can actually experience difficult or dangerous situations in a safe environment and learn how to deal with them. To find out more, you can visit the website [here](#). This trip is funded each year by the PTFA - THANK YOU!





The NSPCC Number Day was a great success, and the children had lots of fun. Thank you to everyone who donated. We had some fabulous number outfits.

I am aware that the letter went out with little notice. This was an error - please accept our apologies for any stress this may have caused.



Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day is On Tuesday 6th February and is a day to raise awareness of a safer and better internet for all, and especially for children and young people. We use the day to highlight age appropriate issues that could affect children using the internet or mobile devices connected to the internet.

Evidence shows that early education on internet safety helps instil safe and responsible online habits from a young age. Throughout the year we teach the children not to share personal information, recognise safe versus unsafe websites, and understand the importance of keeping passwords private. Understanding internet safety from an early age can help children identify and respond to cyberbullying. It equips them with the knowledge to report inappropriate behaviour and understand the impact their online actions can have on others.

Safer Internet day is just one part of our E-Safety learning as it also forms part of our Computing curriculum. More information about keeping children safe online including information about mobile phones and gaming can be found on the school website - click the link [here](#).



CHICKS AWAY

Red Area has loved watching the chick grow over the last couple of weeks, but today it will be heading off to a new home. All the children in Red Area have shown such kindness toward it. They are definitely going to be missed by the staff and children




BRISTOL
SPORT FOUNDATION

FOREVER SPORT HOLIDAY CAMPS

STAY ACTIVE IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Open to children in school years 1 to 6, our holiday camps offer a variety of sporting opportunities throughout the school holidays. With an emphasis on inclusivity, high activity levels and fun, they provide a perfect environment for children to fall in love with sport and enjoy being active.

Staple Hill Holiday Camp

Monday, 12th to
Friday, 16th February 2024

9AM - 4PM 30 SPACES PER DAY

Venue: The Tynings School, BS16 4SG

Price: £14.50 per day + £1 booking fee.
Multi-day discount: £37.50 for 3 days and a discount of £2 for each day booked there after.

Themed activities:

- Nerf Gun themed days on Tuesday, 13th and Thursday, 15th February.

Children from all schools are welcome to attend.

Please be advised that you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch for the day.

To book: 

bit.ly/BSFHolidayCamps



Parent and Carer Courses

Click [here](#) for other courses

Bookable Events

Online and In-person workshops

SGPC produce and host a range of workshops and information sessions to help support local Parents and Carers navigate the complexities of SEND parenting. Check out what we have available for you currently.

[Read More](#)



Drop In Support

Support Groups for Parent Carers

Our support sessions are a haven for Parents and Carers to take time for themselves, gain information and chat to others who are on similar journeys. Come along for a cuppa, chat and face to face support at our community base in Kingswood or attend one of our evening support sessions.

[Read More](#)



Little Treasures

Stay and Play Groups

Weekly stay and play sessions for families of Early Years children (0-5).

[Read More](#)



PTFA EVENTS

BARRS COURT PRIMARY PTFA'S

UPCOMING

events

2024

FEB/
MARCH

MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS

DETAILS ARE OUT
NOW

5
JULY

END OF YEAR DISCO & FAMILY BBQ/INFLATABLES

Further details TBC

15
MARCH

SCHOOL DISCO

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 &
YEAR 2: 4:00-5:00
YEARS 3-6: 5:00-6:00
TICKETS GO ON SALE
SOON.

TBC
OCT

HALLOWEEN DISCO

HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS
DISCO
RECEPTION: 3:30 - 4:00
YEARS 1 & 2: 4:00 - 5:00
YEARS 3 - 6: 5:00 - 6:00

TBC
APRIL

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Date and further details
TBC

30
NOV

WINTER FAIR

Further details TBC

TBC
MAY

FAMILY BINGO

Date and further details
TBC

22
FEB

PTFA MEETING

17:30 - 18:30/18:45

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

JUNE

FATHER'S DAY GIFTS

Further details TBC

18
APRIL

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME

BARRS COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL STEPHENS DRIVE, LONGWELL
GREEN BS30 7JB

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Well done to all the children who have represented the school this week. We are proud of all of you. More details can be found on the [Facebook page](#)



Football



Football



Netball



Football

Afterschool Club Vacancy

Are you passionate about working with children and are looking for an opportunity to gain experience?

We are currently seeking a part-time Afterschool Club Assistant to join our team. This is a great opportunity to become a part of a fantastic, welcoming school whose priority is their pupils' happiness and wellbeing.

We require someone to work at least one session (3pm – 5.45pm) on a Tuesday with the opportunity for further hours on an ad-hoc basis as and when required.

You will have:

- Experience caring for and supporting young children.
- Experience working in activity clubs, schools, nurseries or any type of setting is desirable but not essential.
- A proactive, hands-on attitude.
- An interest in creating high quality play experiences for young children.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Ability to work well in a team and input activity ideas.

We can offer:

- Well behaved, motivated children who enjoy school and are keen to learn
- Friendly, enthusiastic and professional staff
- Excellent opportunities for professional development
- A high level of commitment and support from staff, parents and governors
- A welcoming and caring environment, where everyone is valued

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment and all appointments will be subject to appropriate vetting, including an enhanced DBS disclosure check.

Some roles may need to comply with the 'Childcare Act 2006' and the 'Childcare (Disqualification) Regulations 2009' where additional disclosure of information will be required.

If you are interested in applying for the position or would like to discuss the role further, please contact Karen Llewellyn, School Business Manager on 01454 867799 or email enquiries@barrscourtps.org.uk.

Closing date for applications – Friday 9th February 2024

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Friday 2nd February - Quiz Night @ 6pm
- Monday 5th - Friday 9th - Year 6 Residential
- Tuesday 6th February - Safe Internet Day
- Friday 9th February - End of term 3
- Monday 19th February - First Day of Term 4
- Thursday 22nd February - PTFA meeting @ 5:30pm
- Friday 23rd February - Road Safety Workshops (Yr 2 and 4)
- Wednesday 6th March - Red Area trip to SS Great Britain
- Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
- Monday 11th and Wednesday 13th - Parent/carer Evening
- Friday 15th March - School Disco
- Thursday 28th March - End of Term 4
- Wednesday 17th April to Friday 19th - Year 4 Residential
- Tuesday 15th May - Thursday 16th - Year 6 SATs

Next year term dates can be found on the website - Click [here](#)