Barrs Court Primary Newsletter

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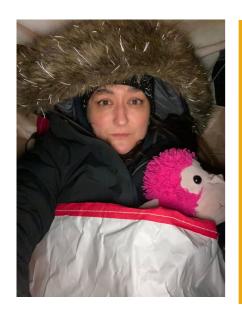




Bonfire Night, also known as Guy Fawkes Night, is celebrated on November 5th. It commemorates the events of 1605 when a plot to blow up the Houses of Parliament was foiled. Guy Fawkes, a member of the Gunpowder Plot, was arrested, and the conspiracy was thwarted. While Bonfire Night is a time of excitement and wonder, it's crucial that we prioritise safety. Please remember the following safety tips from our local Fire Officer when handling fireworks or attending firework displays:

- 1. Attend Organised Displays: Whenever possible, opt for professionally organized firework displays, as they are conducted with safety as a top priority.
- 2. **Keep a Safe Distance**: If you plan to host your own fireworks, ensure that spectators stand at a safe distance. Children should never handle fireworks.
- 3. **Supervise Children**: Children should always be closely supervised during firework activities.
- 4. **Follow Instructions:** Read and follow the instructions on firework packages carefully.
- 5. **Use a Torch**: When lighting fireworks, use a torch or an extended lighting device to maintain a safe distance.
- 6. **Pet Safety**: Be considerate of our four-legged friends. Firework noise can be distressing for pets. Ensure they are safely indoors during displays.
- 7. **Stay Warm**: If attending outdoor displays, dress warmly to stay comfortable in the chilly November weather.

Please read the rest of the newsletter it contains information about the Christmas raffles, fundraising, dates for you diary, sports reports and much more.

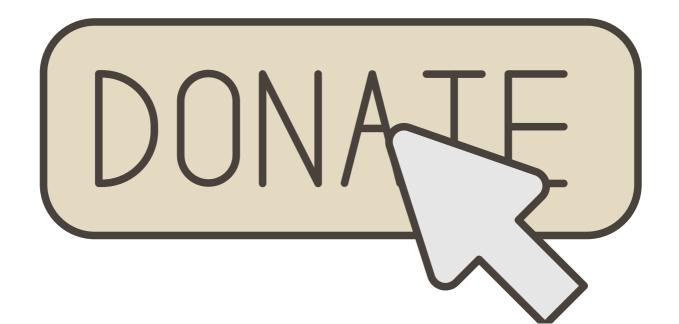


Did you know that in the UK, between April 2021 and March 2022, 129,000* young people approached their local council as they were homeless or at risk of homelessness?



This week Sanja and Alex gave up up their bed for one night to help raise awareness of youth homelessness and to support 1625 with the vital services they provide to the young people of Bristol and the South West who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Sanja and Alex are parents of children who attend Barrs Court, and Sanja also serves as a Governor at Barrs Court Primary School. Your contribution, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated. If you're able to make a donation, please click on the massive 'DONATE' image below. As you can see from the picture above Sanja took a teddy (her daughter's apparently) to keep her warm.

Thank you.







We've noticed a recent increase in the use of prime drinks and prime bottles as water containers this week. I'd like to kindly remind all students that the only drink permitted at school is water. Please refrain from using prime bottles or any other branded sports drink bottles as water containers while on school premises. Even when filled with water, these bottles can sometimes lead to disruptions in the classroom.

Playground Equipment

I would like to kindly remind all children, parents, and carers that the playground equipment should not be used before or after school, even with adult supervision.

Uniform

We've observed that a few students are not adhering to the correct school uniform and PE kit. For further details, please refer to the attached <u>letter</u> and the uniform policy.





The Winter Fair

This event has been a highlight on the PTFA's calendar for the past two years. However, it relies on volunteers to run some of the games.

Volunteering at this fun-filled event is not only enjoyable but also a great opportunity to involve your children, as they will absolutely love helping at the Fair! If you can spare just 30 minutes we kindly encourage you to sign up after the holiday, or send an email to: PTFA@barrscourtps.org.uk













































Thank you all these companies for donating prizes!!!





We will be raising money for Children in Need on Friday November 17th. Children will not have wear school uniform and are welcome to wear comic relief merchandise if they want. Donations (50p -£1) should be given to the class teacher on the day. All money collected will go to C in N.



Sunday Sessions VOCALS

Two workshops for young singers of all abilities!

Sunday 12th November Meadowbrook Primary School, Bradley Stoke

10am - 12.30pm ages 7 - 10 1.30pm - 4pm ages 11 - 14

The wonderful Kate Courage returns for another set of workshops. Exploring a range of styles, this is a fun and welcoming environment for young people to sing together and make new friends!

TICKETS: £15 per student

Free for students in receipt of free school meals

CLICKHER E to book and for more info





Sunday Sessions FOLK

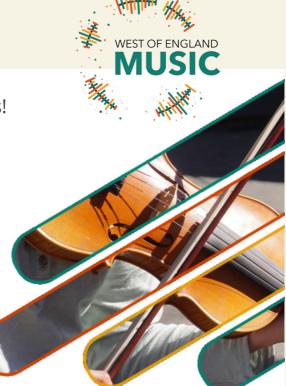
Workshop for instrumental students!

1.30pm - 4.30pm **Sunday 19th November Emersons Green**

Join well-known folk artist Rob Harbron in this workshop for young musicians - whether you're an experienced session player or new to folk, this session is a fantastic opportunity to learn from a professional folk musician!

TICKETS: £15 per student

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Dates for the diary

Friday 10th November - Sports Kit Cake Sale@ 3:30pm

Monday 13th November - Parent/Carer Evening

Tuesday 14th November - Reception Parent/Carer Evening (NO CLUBS)

Wednesday 15th November - Parent/Carer Evening

Friday 17th November - Children in Need (Non-uniform Day)

Saturday 25th November - Christmas Fair

Monday 11th December - Blue and Green Area Christmas performance @ 11am & 1:30pm

Tuesday 12th December - Reception and Red Area Nativity @ 1:30pm

Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 14th December - Reception and Red Area Nativity @ 10am & 1:30pm

Friday 15th December - Last day of term 2

Team Barrs Court took part in a girls-only tag rugby festival at Cleve Rugby Club. The girls got some extra coaching and then took part in a number of rugby skill games with our friends from Lyde Green Primary. Lots of fun!



Barrs Court 4-0 Christchurch Hanham, Barrs Court 2-0 Hanham Abbots, Barrs Court 0-1 St Annes

Team Barrs Court took part in the South Glos. football tournament with a place in the county finals at stake. The team played really well and only conceded one goal but unfortunately only one team could make it through from the group and we were runners-up. Well done to the whole team and we can definitely hold our heads high with our performances.



