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**Deputy Headteacher – Mr G Dyer**

### Headteacher's Message

It has been excellent to see so many friendly faces on my return to Barlby Bridge and the warm welcome I received really brightened my week. Thank you all. I have been extremely impressed by the children's behaviour on my return. Their conduct in the corridors, dinner hall and playground areas has been excellent. As always, they have been polite, friendly and interested in sharing news and special work. It was lovely to come back during art week and I have already been treated to a plethora of excellent creations which I am looking forward to seeing on display around school. Each class has been inspired by a different artist and there have been a number of mediums used including sketching, sculpture and model making. The children in Earth class created a wealth of interesting outdoor sculptures using natural materials- including a very impressive 3D spider! These are on display at the top of the field for the moment so please do take a minute to have a look at this work. Other class artwork will be displayed in school over the next few weeks, ready to brighten our corridors in September.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Dyer who has done an excellent job of leading the school over the last year. He has worked extremely well with Ms Burroughs and the rest of the staff team; ensuring continuity for the children and continued progression and growth for the whole school. I know he has worked tirelessly to continue the systems and procedures already established at Barlby Bridge whilst moving new initiatives forward too.

From September, my working days in school will be Monday-Thursday and Mr Dyer will have a Co-Headteacher role which he will fulfil on Friday's. Mr Dyer will continue to have class teacher and Deputy Headteacher responsibilities on the other days of the week. Ms Burroughs will have a phase and English lead role and will continue to work alongside Mr Chappell on the leadership team.

I look forward to the next few weeks in school and to working with you all in the next academic year. **Mrs Hughes**

### World Cup Day

Thank you for supporting the school world cup day on Friday. This sporting event, organised by Neptune class offered the opportunity for all children to take part in a range of activities including gymnastic, basketball, tennis, football and balancing work stations. Children were given the opportunity to complete and achieve their personal best. Icepops sold by FoBBS provided welcome relief at break time! Thank you to Mr Wood and Neptune class for organising the day.



Whilst we are on a sporting theme, a quick reminder that it is our school sports day on Thursday afternoon. You are welcome to come along to watch your child participate from 1.30pm. As always, the children will compete in teams; please remember to send your child with their shorts and t-shirt in their team colour. It is set to be another warm afternoon and whilst we plan to sit the children in the shade, everyone will need to bring a hat, water bottle and suncream. We are looking forward to an action packed afternoon!

## Parking

Road safety is of paramount importance to everyone at Barlby Bridge and we thank you for your continued support on this matter. However there has recently been an incident that resulted in a near miss, as a result of cars attempting to turn and park outside school. In order to ensure the safety of children and families coming to school, could you please refrain from driving and parking on Thomas Street. Thanks.

## Scooters

Our Friday lunchtime scooter sessions have been great fun and much enjoyed by all the children who have participated. Please be safe when bringing your scooter to school. Be aware of other pedestrians when using the paths and traffic when crossing the roads, in order to keep everybody safe and to allow us to continue to run this popular club.

## New Classes

The children have all taken part in class transition this afternoon and met their teachers for September. I have detailed the class outline for next year including teacher and teaching assistant organisation for your information. You will see that a number of teachers will be following their class into the next year group. Research suggests this is a positive approach that effectively supports transition. Teachers will be working closely together as phase teams to ensure this has a positive impact upon the children's progress. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or queries about this.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b>
Nursery Rockets	Mrs Wass	Miss Brant
Reception Mercury	Mrs Aston	Mrs Morton Miss Finlay
Year 1 Venus	Mrs Duffield Mr Dyer	Mrs Cockerham Mrs McCormack
Year 2 Earth	Miss Ellis	Miss Ledger
Year 3 Mars	Mrs Herrington	Mrs Beever
Year 4 Jupiter	Mr Chappell	Mrs Hall
Year 5 Saturn	Mrs Walker Mrs Hockley	Mrs Calvert Mrs Marshall
Year 6 Neptune	Mrs Burroughs	Mrs McManaman Mrs Leach

## **Important Dates for your Diary**

<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School Council Selby Foodbank Collection: Holiday Treats Theme
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School transition day
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Sports Day- 1.30pm
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School reports and Assessment Results Home
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Good Work Invitation Assembly
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Whole School Celebration Attendance Assembly
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly- 9am
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School closes
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	Teacher Training Day
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	School Opens
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Edward Trayer- School Author Visit
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	French Themed Day
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	New Starters and Year 6 Buddies Assembly

## Attendance

We will be recognising the children who have had excellent school attendance this year at our termly celebration assembly next week. Our overall school attendance rate has dropped slightly this year and the number of children with attendance below 90% has risen. This will remain a focus area for school development next year and we would appreciate your support in regard to this matter. As stated in our attendance policy, absence can only be authorised by school staff and false information relating to absence may be reported to the Prevention Attendance Officer. This is seen as a form of truancy. You may be asked for evidence such as doctor's appointments or notes when your child has a high absence rate and this could result in referral to another agency. Thankfully, the majority of children at Barlby Bridge have good attendance and we appreciate that as parents, you take these messages seriously and recognise the positive impact good attendance has upon your child's education.