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Welcome Back

The children have had a great first week back in school and we have enjoyed catching up on their holiday news. We launched our new learning disposition with a special assembly at the beginning of last week and the children are all now focused upon being determined both in their learning and endeavours outside of school. Congratulations to our 7 determined learners who received badges in assembly on Thursday.

Our Year 5 and 6 children were extremely excited as they left school today, ready to embark on an action packed couple of days of residential at Robin Wood. We are looking forward to hearing all about their adventures when they return to school on Wednesday. Thank you to Mrs Walker, Mrs Hosford, Mr Wood and Mrs Cockerham who are leading the visit; the children will be in safe hands and we'll keep parents informed via text message and Facebook updates.

Children in Need



Each class will be taking part in a Spotacular Sports Challenge on Friday to raise money for Children in Need. This year's theme is 'Doing your Thing' and the children will be put into teams with the aim of being the best they can be in each challenge. Each child will get a certificate for taking part. We have sent forms home with the newsletter today if you would like to support your child in collecting sponsors for the event. If you would prefer to instead send a small donation to Children in Need on the day that would be greatly appreciated too. All children will take part in the event.

Anti-Bullying Week

The focus for anti-bullying this year is 'Show Respect'. As one of our 8 school aims, showing respect is a constant and critical focus for the staff and children at Barlby Bridge. The key areas we will cover this year include:

- **Understanding the term respect.**
- **Recognising that bullying is a choice.**
- **Acknowledging we all need to show respect for each other both face to face and online.**
- **Recognising we can respectfully disagree with each other.**

The week will start with a whole school assembly based upon exploring ways we can show respect to ourselves and others. Following this, the children will undertake learning based around this theme including what is meant by the term bullying, understanding events from others' perspectives and discussing empathy. There will also be a cyberbullying focus in school this year. We are increasingly aware of more sophisticated technological advances which whilst providing children with excellent opportunities also increase the risk of bullying occurring through other mediums. It is important the children are educated on the significant risks of the Internet and the importance of showing respect for themselves and others through following the safer Internet code.

To launch anti bullying week, we will be holding an 'Odd Socks Day' next Monday 19th November. We would love it if all children could come to school wearing odd socks on that day to help us to celebrate that we are all different but all equal.



School Fundraising

The total raised from the Halloween disco was £160; thank you for supporting this event. FoBBS will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 30th November. Children are asked to bring £1 or a chocolate item to donate.

Completed Christmas card samples were sent home on Friday. If you would like to order cards or other items, return all orders and make payment by Tuesday 20th November at the latest please. Thank you for supporting school fundraising.

Road Safety and Parking

Our two new road safety officers, Lily and Isabella will be raising awareness and developing children's understanding of the importance of road safety over the next half term. The children in Y1-4 have taken part in a road safety assembly today and the safety officers will be running a competition next Monday as part of Road Safety Week. Plans are also underway to repeat the safer crossing patrols at the start of the school day which have been a success in previous years.

The safety of children on Thomas Street is a concern frequently raised by parents and staff. I agree that this is a real worry with the frequent occurrence of near misses in the street and surrounding areas. It is a small minority of parents who continue to use Thomas Street as a drop off point. We ask you to consider the safety of the children when bringing your vehicle into the street. It is an offence to obstruct the pavement, park on the yellow zigzags and to block the entrance to school. Parents are also not permitted to use the carpark unless it is for disabled access. We appreciate your thought and consideration in regard to this matter. We recognise that everyone is busy but this is a significant issue that is making the street a real danger at these times. Please do report traffic and parking offences to 101. We regularly report incidents but appreciate your support with this too.

Important Dates for your Diary

Friday 16th November	Jupiter Class Assembly
Friday 16th November	Children in Need- Sports Fundraising Event
Monday 19th December	Anti- Bullying week Odd Socks Day
Thursday 22nd November	School Pantomime
Friday 23rd November	Saturn Class Assembly
Monday 26th November	Year 1 Sports- Barlby High School
Friday 30th November	Neptune Class Assembly
Friday 30th November	Non Uniform Day- FoBBS
Wednesday 5th December	KS1 Christmas Experience- Kings Church
Thursday 6th December	Good Work Assembly
Monday 10th December	School Christmas Fair
Tuesday 11th December	KS1 Christmas Afternoon Performance- 2.00pm
Tuesday 11th December	Year 3 /4 Carol Concert – 4.30pm
Wednesday 12th December	KS1 Evening Performance- 6.00pm
Thursday 13th December	Reception Nativity- 9.15am
Friday 13th December	Rockets Nativity- 9.15am
Monday 17th December	Christmaths whole school curriculum day
Friday 21st December	School Closes for Christmas
Monday 7th January	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 8th January	School Opens for Spring Term

Christmas Performances

The performance dates have been added to the calendar section above. Children in Years 3 and 4 will take part in a candlelit carol concert this year. We have decided to involve Year 5 and 6 in the play performance in the summer term instead of a Christmas production. The afternoon KS1 performance is for the whole family including babies and toddlers. We request that the evening performance is for adults and older siblings with tickets only. All other performances can be attended by the whole family.