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School
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Autumn Term Updates

We are already three weeks into the new term and it is pleasing to see how well the children are settling in to their new classes and routines. I have spent time in each class over the last few weeks and it has been wonderful to see the positive attitudes displayed by the children towards their learning.

I am hoping your child has been coming home talking about reading recently as one of our school developments this year is to raise the profile of reading in school. A key part of this work will be based around enhancing children's enjoyment of reading in all its forms.

We decided to launch this school focus through a Roald Dahl whole school topic: when you come for the open morning next week be sure to look out for all of this wonderful work on display. In addition, the children are busy reading lots at home in the hope that they will find one of the coveted golden tickets (and of course for the enjoyment of reading too!) The lucky finders will receive an invitation to an exclusive chocolate tea party taking place at the end of the half term. To be in with a chance of winning, children need to read five times at home and have their record signed by an adult.

Mrs Hockley and Mrs Beever have also been busy revamping our school library, which is soon to become a lending area. We have received £2000 of grant funding to purchase new book stock and hope to provide a range of materials for the children to borrow including magazines, story sacks and a wider selection of fiction and non-fiction for all ages. Details of other aspects of school development this year will be added to the website in the next week under the 'information for parents' section.

Glow Gold in September

We are raising awareness of children's cancer this month and are asking for your support to raise funds for Candlelighters; an incredible charity who support children and families affected by this illness. We found out more about the charity in assembly last week and the children are eager to support their work. There will be an own clothes day this Thursday and we are asking for a £1 donation. In addition, the FoBBS will be selling sweet bags during playtime on Thursday morning. All monies raised will be going directly to the charity as the sweets have been purchased by the FoBBS. Bags of sweets cost **50p each** and are limited to **one per child** please.

Facebook Page

If you haven't done so already, please 'like' us on Facebook. This page is updated regularly and last minute date changes and information will be posted on there (in addition to text messages). Just search for Barlby Bridge CP School. The FoBBS also have a Facebook group that you can join if you are interested in keeping up to date with all of their wonderful work.



FoBBS News

Apologies for talking about Christmas already but a quick update on some of the work planned by FoBBS this term. In November your child will design a Christmas picture which will be sent away and made into Christmas cards that you can purchase for your friends and family. More information to follow next month. The school Christmas fair was a real success last year and will be held on Thursday 8th December.

Key Stage One Area

The Key Stage One staff are working with the FoBBS group to redesign their outdoor area and we are **desperate for help** with this. If you are able to offer your time to help with the project, please see one of the FoBBS mums or KS1 teachers, Mrs Herrington or Miss Ellis. Further information can be found on the School and FoBBS Facebook page.



Parent Open Morning

Please come along next Friday morning, 7th October for the first hour of the school day to experience and join in with some of the learning in your child's class. Information about a Stay and Play session for parents of children in Nursery and Reception will be coming home next week.

Homework

Thank you for the feedback received regarding our homework policies and procedures. The response at the moment is very mixed with some enjoying the project based work whilst others preferring more structured weekly tasks. We are in the process of collating all of the responses and will update you of any proposed changes in the next newsletter.

Important Dates for your Diary

Thursday 29th September	Own clothes day
Friday 30th September	New starters and Y6 buddy assembly – Reception and Y6 parents welcome
Monday 3rd October	Jupiter class at Selby Stem Fair
Monday 3rd October	Drug awareness- Year 5/6
Friday 7th October	Whole school open morning (first hour of the day)
Monday 10th October	Powerdown Pete in school- Electricity Day
Friday 14th October	Saturn class assembly
Friday 14th October	Parents reading session- 2.30pm
Tuesday 18th October	School photographs (Nursery- Y6)
Wednesday 19th October	Harvest Festival at Selby Abbey
Friday 21st October	School closes for half term
Monday 31st October	School opens
Wednesday 2nd November	Parents' Evening
Monday 7th November	Robin Wood information evening – Y5/6 parents
Tuesday 8th November	Year 1, 2 and 3 flu vaccinations
Thursday 17th November	School pantomime
Friday 18th November	Mars class assembly
Friday 25th November	Non-uniform day- FoBBS Christmas fair
Friday 25th November	Earth class assembly
Thursday 8th December	Christmas fair
Thursday 8th December	Nursery nativity- 10.00am
Friday 9th December	Mercury (Reception) nativity -10.0am
Tuesday 13th December	KS2 (Year 3,4, 5) Christmas performance- 6.00pm
Wednesday 14th December	KS1 (Year 1/2) Christmas performance- 6.00pm