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School
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Phonics Screening

In June this year the children who were in year 1 (now Earth class) were unable to complete their phonic screening check. This check will now take place on Monday 23rd November and Tuesday 24th November. Miss Ellis has already contacted parents of Earth class with more information about the screening check and how you can support your child at home. If you have any questions email earth@barlbybridge.n-yorks.sch.uk. The pass mark has been set at 32 from 40 for a number of years and we would expect that to be the same bench mark this year. It is our expectation at this time that the year 2 and 6 SATs tests will take place as normal in May 2021.

Reports

As we are not able to complete parents evening in the usual way this term, your child will receive an autumn half term interim report. This will contain information that would be discussed at autumn appointments regarding settling in, progress so far and targets for the year. There is the opportunity to arrange a follow up telephone appointment to discuss the report further, should you wish, with the class teacher. The report will be sent home with your child on Tuesday 20th October. If your child is currently learning from home it will be posted out to you. Included with the report, will be a special newsletter produced by your child's class to showcase some of the curricular work that they have done. We have missed our sharing assemblies this term and I am sure you have too, so we hope that this will give you an insight into the wider curricular learning since September.

Halloween

To reward the children for their hard work, determination and resilience over this half term we are hosting a Halloween dress up day on Thursday 22nd October. Children may come to school in Halloween costumes if they wish or non-uniform. We ask that they do not bring any accessories that may accompany costumes as these present a potential virus risk. We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful array of costumes and characters!

Covid-19

Please remember you must self-isolate if anyone in your household develops ANY of the following symptoms:

- **High Temperature** this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **New persistent cough** this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

IF ANY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD DEVELOP ANY ONE OF THESE SYMPTOMS YOU MUST GET A TEST

Parking

I know the vast majority of parents share the schools' frustrations relating to the parking situation. **Thomas Street** is an access only resident's road and **should NOT be used** by parents during drop off and collection times. This is to **protect** all of the children on their walk to and from school. Despite numerous information warnings in the past, a few parents continue to use this road dangerously which is putting the children at a real risk of harm. **Blocking pavements, parking on the zigzag lines and blocking the school entrances are all traffic offenses** and we ask parents to consider an alternative parking place or journey option to school. The **pollution** caused by waiting cars outside every day is also a real concern for our children and something they regularly talk about in school. We are in a difficult position with the lack of parking outside school but do need to work collectively to improve this situation.





Headteacher Awards

Starting after half term we will be resuming our special Headteacher assemblies. These are a highlight of the school calendar, where outstanding work is celebrated. There will be one assembly each week, with each class bubble taking a turn and they will take place in class where certificates and badges will be presented. Photographs of the winners and work will be uploaded to the school Facebook page and a text message will be sent to you on the day to inform you of your child's award.

Robinwood Residential Visit

It is with regret that due to the current situation we have taken the difficult decision to cancel our Year 5 and Year 6 residential trip to Robinwood this year. All the parents in those year groups have been informed and we are currently preparing to issue refunds to those that need them. Once the office are able to issue those refunds they will be sent to you immediately. In the meantime please bear with us we will get these out to those affected as soon as we can.

Important Dates for your Diary

Thursday 22nd October	Halloween Dress Up Day! School closes for half term
Friday 23rd October	School Closed - Teacher Training Day
Monday 2nd November	School Reopens
Monday 2nd November	School Photographs
Friday 6th November	Mercury Headteacher Award presentation
Friday 13th November	Venus Headteacher Award presentation
Friday 13th November	Children in Need
Monday 23rd November	Year 2 Phonics Screening Check
Tuesday 24th November	Year 2 Phonics Screening Check
Friday 18th December	Last Day of Term
Monday 21st December	School Closed for Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January 2021	School Closed – Teacher Training Day

Woodmeadow Wanderings by Saturn

Recently, Saturn Class had a marvellous morning at The Woodmeadow Trust conservation site. We learned about life cycles, ecosystems and had a brilliant pond dipping session with Angela. Our dipping showed us so many different creatures from different stages of life cycles. It was AMAZING! Afterwards we created life cycles and wrote persuasive leaflets to ask people to visit the Woodmeadow.



FoBBS News

Non-Uniform Day for Candlelighters

As you may have seen on our Facebook page, with your help we have raised £116.26 for the Candlelighters charity. Thank you so very much for your generosity.

Christmas Cards

The children will be bringing home their handmade Christmas Cards over the next couple of days. Please return these to School in the envelope provided as soon as possible. Please ensure that you have the correct money in the envelope as the School Office **WILL NOT** be issuing any change

