

*'Learning, Growing and  
Achieving Together'*

## Barlby Bridge CP School Newsletter Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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It has been wonderful to reinstate our face-to-face parent assemblies this week. On Monday, we welcomed parents of children nominated for the Headteacher award. Commendations were given for perseverance and hard work across many areas of the curriculum including reading, writing, maths and geography.

Well done to all of the children who received this special award.

There are many systems in place in school which support children's positive behaviour and attitudes to learning. These include:

- School house points for various behaviours including effort, attitude to learning and conduct in school;
- Weekly praise wall assembly in school in which children receive recognition of their hard work and a celebration certificate;
- Focus half termly school themes linked to our values - currently Respect and Kindness;
- Individual class reward systems, including additional play or reward time at the end of the school week.

We focus our reward systems around the whole school agreed rules which are:

- Listen carefully to each other;
- Follow instructions;
- Speak politely to everyone;
- Be kind and respectful;
- Always try their hardest and do their best.

The children are excellent ambassadors of these rules and expectations, and it has been great to celebrate their many achievements and attitude to school so far this term.

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### Mercury Class Assembly



On Thursday, we welcomed the Reception guardians into school for Mercury's class assembly. The children were very proud to share their learning across the curriculum which included writing, impressive maths work and some wonderful paintings.

We are so proud of them all. Thank you to the parents / carers who were able to join us in school for this and to the Year 6 buddies who were a very captive audience. We look forward to welcoming Venus (Year 1) parents into school this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March. This assembly will start at 9.05am.

### WhatsApp and Messaging Apps

The use of social media and messaging sites by our children outside of school is becoming an area of increasing concern. A proportion of children, particularly in upper KS2 are using messaging platforms to communicate with each other out of school. This use of technology is leading in certain cases to pupils posting hurtful and offensive comments and content. Please note that **children are required to be at least 16 years old before creating a WhatsApp account.**

Whilst school is able to step in to support in dealing with certain cyber bullying or incidents occurring outside of school, we ask that parents regularly check and monitor children's Internet usage and activity on social media and messaging sites. Through working together, we hope to ensure that the children are using social media and messaging sites responsibly.

A more detailed letter about this has been sent to the Year 5 and 6 parents today and a leaflet with further information about this can have been linked to the newsletter.



## Red Nose Day



It was fantastic to see our children enjoying themselves today for Red Nose Day.

Our 'Wear Red' for Red Nose day (and the lovely sunshine) had us all in good spirits and the children had lots of fun.

We sold £127.50 worth of Comic Relief Red Noses, and raised £120 on our Just Giving page.

A huge and sincere thank you to all who donated!

We are leaving our Just Giving Page live to gather in as many donations as we can for this cause. So you can still donate via the link or QR Code:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/barlbybcps>



## Football Tournament

Some of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils are heading to Riccall on Wednesday 23 March for a friendly match. If your child is involved, a text and email have been sent out. They need permission to go and must be collected from Riccall. Please contact the Office to confirm / for more info.



## Parents Evening

We are looking forward to running our next Parents Evenings, face-to-face, in School.

These will take place as follows:

- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 5:30pm;
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 6pm.

The booking link will be communicated in the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> March, and will be via <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/>

## Important Dates for your Diary

Thursday 24 March	Venus Assembly
Thursday 31 March	Earth Assembly
Monday 4 April	Celebration Assembly
Wednesday 6 April	Parents Evening
Thursday 7 April	Parents Evening
Thursday 7 April	Mars Assembly
Friday 8 April	School closes for Easter
Monday 25 April	Staff training day
Tuesday 26 April	School opens
Thursday 5 May	Jupiter Assembly
Thursday 19 May	Saturn Assembly
Thursday 26 May	Neptune Assembly
Monday 20 June	Class Photographs

