



Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019



## An exciting world of learning

Message from Mrs. Tovey:

Dear parents and carers

We have come to the end of another fabulous term at Barton Hill with lots to celebrate.

The children and staff have been working really hard to ensure all are making progress, all feel safe and looked after and all are having lots of fun. Please see the website and twitter feed for lots of photos of all the wonderful things we have been up to.

Now is one of those times of year where we turn to the most important to us of all of the British values: Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

At the heart of our curriculum are the needs of our amazingly diverse school family. By learning about and celebrating each faith and culture, we break down barriers that exist through lack of understanding, enabling us to work together peacefully and with respect. If we show that we do not want to do this for each other, it creates suspicion and creates walls between us.

We are having Christmas celebrations this week, just like we will be celebrating key dates from other religions throughout the year (please see our RE/celebration policy).

Tonight is our fab Christmas fair with gifts and food made by the children, face painting, a great raffle with hampers of food and an opportunity to meet Father Christmas. Please come and join in all the fun.

On a sad note, we say goodbye to some members of staff this term who have secured new opportunities both in teaching, and other professions.

Mr. Candy has worked both as a teacher and SENDco for us and has helped to secure a better education for all children across the school. His role will be taken by Miss. Palmizi as our new SENDco. There will be additional support for Mr. Caballero and Mr. Chavez in year five.

Miss. Morris been with us as a Newly Qualified Teacher and full time teacher in reception. She will be replaced by Miss. Seaton in January.

Miss. Laney will remain in reception as Miss. Davies has decided not to return after a period of absence. We wish them all good luck in their new roles.

We hope you enjoy the holidays, stay safe and have a very merry Christmas and a Happy new Year.



### **Volunteering at Barton Hill Academy**

If you have an hour or more spare per week and would like to help out with hearing children read or preparing resources, please let us know. Sarah in the school office can help with signing you up as a volunteer - you will need good spoken English if you would like to work directly with children.

### **News from Venturers Trust**

*With inspiring new initiatives, events and the opening of two new school buildings, there is much to look forward to in 2020. In the meantime, we hope that everyone across the Venturers Trust family of schools has a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.*

*Read more about the activities and events from across the Trust family of schools via visiting [www.venturerstrust.org](http://www.venturerstrust.org) or following us on Twitter [@VenturersTrust](https://twitter.com/VenturersTrust).*

# Mums' fitness class



**Cardio | strengthening | toning | boxercise**

**Tuesdays 9:30am – 10:15am**  
**Barton Hill Academy in the dining hall**

Younger children welcome to watch or play

Suitable for ALL fitness levels 😊

50p donation per session

**Text Jane to book your place**

**Jane 0775 123 7049**

## Homework

Homework is available on our website each Friday - thank you for your ongoing support with this. It benefits the children to have their education supplemented and prioritised by parents and carers. The link is:

<http://www.bartonhillbristol.org/832/homework?search=homework>



Follow us on twitter - <https://twitter.com/BartonHillAc>

## Term Dates

2019 to 2020

<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
	<b>8 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
<b>HALF TERM</b>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2019
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
	<b>7 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November & Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>WINTER HOLIDAY</b>	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2019 to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2020
<b>Term 3</b>	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
	<b>6 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January, Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>HALF TERM</b>	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2020
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020
	<b>6 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	None

<b>SPRING HOLIDAY</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
<b>Term 5</b>	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020 (Bank Holiday Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May)
	<b>5 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>HALF TERM</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
<b>Term 6</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July (13:15pm) 2020
	<b>7 week term</b>
<b>Inset dates</b>	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June and Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July to Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2020