



Thursday 17th May 2018



Heads up!

During the last week, the learning environment at Barton Hill Academy has been particularly quiet. Staff and pupils have been going out of their way to support the year 2 and year 6 classes who have been involved in SATs. Opinion is often divided as to whether children of primary school age should be involved in testing, however, we have been delighted with the respect and togetherness which has shone through this week! Well done to all our SATs pupils who have shown great coping strategies under pressure.

Next week we expect things will get a little bit noisier! Monday 21st May marks the beginning of P.E and Outdoor Learning Week – a week in which all pupils are encouraged to get out and get active. For some children this will supplement an already healthy lifestyle whilst for others, we hope it will promote the benefits of developing fitness.

Warm Weather

Now that the weather is finally warming up we need to remind you to ensure that your children are prepared, especially for the really hot days. Sunhats are encouraged to be worn outside and we also encourage you to apply sunscreen to your children before they come to school. School shoes are still expected to be worn but sandals can be worn as long as they cover the front and the back of the foot – this is for safeguarding purposes and must be followed if choosing to wear sandals.

Relationships & Sex Education (RSE)

On Monday 21st May from 2pm-3pm, Miss. Fahmi (PSHE Lead) and Mr. Ford (Vice Principal) will be holding a parent meeting to discuss the RSE content of Term 6 PSHE Jigsaw Lessons. The session will look at related National Curriculum expectations, Jigsaw PSHE suggested content and our own adaptations to suit our pupils. We hope to see a good turnout and will aim to answer as many questions as possible so that parents/carers go away feeling happy!

Term 6 Parent Forums

Parent Forums will now resume in term 6. Content details will be shared in next week's newsletter.

As many of you will be aware, parent forums take place in the Family Room at 9:00am on Wednesday's (unless otherwise stated). If you wish to attend, please visit the main office once you have delivered your children to school.



Ramadan

Just a reminder that if you want to give permission for your child(ren) to fast during Ramadan, you must come to the office and give us some official notice regarding this.

Outdoor areas

We are currently beginning the process of developing some of our outdoor areas. Watch out for the new developments so we can all enjoy using these spaces once they are completed.

After school clubs

There have been a few behaviour issues at some of our clubs in recent weeks. Please be aware that if children continue to behave inappropriately at these clubs then they may be asked not to come to after school clubs in future.

Litter Flash Mob

Thanks to the parents that attended the Litter Flash Mob last Friday. They worked extremely hard to clear the rubbish that had been dumped over the fences - we are sure parents and children have noticed the improvement along the Jarvis St. boundary. The school, and especially the caretaking staff, are working tirelessly to improve the outdoor environment, so keep a look out for more improvements coming up!

Breakfast Club

Don't forget our free breakfast club in the mornings from 8am. You can drop off your children for breakfast in the dining hall – parents are welcome to stay if they want to. We now have hot porridge on offer (for free) to combat the cold weather we have been experiencing!



Attendance and Lateness

Last week's attendance for Reception to Year 6 classes was **95.9%**
Well done to Cherry class for the highest attendance of **99%**!

Please note that Penalty Notices are being issued for unauthorised absences as well as lateness.

If you have any attendance queries, please speak to attendance manager Mrs Gayle Myring (0117) 9030407

Website Access

Just a reminder that our school website is up and running and that it is the best place to find information about the school including newsletters, notices and homework for your children. Our school website is <http://www.bartonhillbristol.org/> There is also an app for your phones that you can download to get the latest notices and information. If you search for School Connect – Cleverbox in the app stores you can download the app and follow the instructions.



e-Safety



Please keep a close watch on what your children are accessing online – if your child has access to Youtube please be aware that it's very easy for them to start watching one thing and click through to unpleasant content.



Dates for your diary

PE/Outdoor Learning Week	Term 5: 21st May 2018
Arts Week	Term 6: 11th June 2018

Uniform

We had quite a few children without PE kits this week. If the children bring their kit on a Monday then they can use it during the week and take it home on a Friday. That way we know the children will always have a change of clothes ready for any PE that takes place.



Term dates

Term 5 ends Friday 25th May

Term 6 starts Monday 4th June

Term 6 ends Friday 20th July

School will close after afternoon registration on Friday the 20th July, children will need to be collected at 1.30pm.



Family Drop In sessions for Parents/Carers and Children under 5 years Play and learn together

Monday 9.30-11.30am

Family drop in - Free-play

Tuesday 1.00 -3.00pm

Family drop in - Story Telling and singing

Wednesday 1.00 -3.00pm

Family drop in - babies 0-23 months only

Thursday 9.30 - 11.30am

Family Drop In - Tactile play & crafts

Thursday 1.00 - 2.45pm

Parents in Partnership Group & free Crèche

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