



# BARWELL INFANT SCHOOL

Newsletter 2 -1<sup>st</sup> November 2018



## What An AWESOME Autumn Term 1 AND An AMAZING Autumn Term 2 Is Yet To Come!

Our Autumn Term 1 was jam packed with learning and events ~ Our Coffee Morning, Harvest, EYFS Parent Meetings and Y1 & Y2 Together Times to list but a few!

As the Autumn air arrives and the nights draw in there is still lots to look forward to. Year 1 will be exploring their 'Bright Sparks' topic and Year 2 their 'Sow and Grow Theme.

We will also be looking forward to Halloween, Bonfire Night, Remembrance, Diwali, Anti-Bullying Week, Children In Need and of course some end of term festivities too!

## 'MIGHTY MATHS' HALF TERM HOLIDAY FAMILY CHALLENGE

**Well done to all of the children  
and families who took part in  
our holiday 'Maths Challenge'!**

You certainly found some marvellous  
ways to measure!! Check out the  
school website to see all the entries.

[www.barwellinfantschool.co.uk](http://www.barwellinfantschool.co.uk)

Congratulations to our

'Marvellous Measure' Winners!

We hope you enjoy your prizes!



**REMEMBER ~ WE CAN ALL SUCCEED IN MATHS!**

## HAPPY HARVEST TIME!

Both Rev. Phillip and Rev. Dave visited the children for Special Harvest Assemblies. The children spotted that within the word 'Harvest' are the words 'Starve' and 'Share' ~ both key messages for Harvest time.

'Thank you' for the kind food donations for our 'Harvest Table' ~ We received LOTS!

The Collection was shared between our 2 local Churches for display during their Harvest Celebrations and then it was sent along to our local Food Bank.



## BRITISH VALUES



As you will know from our Year Group booklets and school website our children are learning about the 4 Fundamental British Values. Last half term the children were learning about 'Democracy'. They have been and will continue to be involved in lots of voting opportunities such as which story to have, which toys for Golden time, songs to sing and much more. Over the next half term our focus will be on 'The Rule of Law'.

**POLITE REMINDER** ~ Please ensure that your child comes to school in appropriate clothing for the changing season. Longer socks/ tights, jumpers and coats are now a must have! It won't be long until they need their hats, scarves and gloves too! **Please remember to name all items as well.**

Thank you.

## AN AUTHOR'S ADVENTURE WITH RUFFLES THE RAILWAY DOG!

As you know, we believe reading is important for learning, but that it is also important for pleasure!  
We continue to strive for our Brilliant Barwell Infants to become ...



As part of our work in nurturing an enjoyment of reading we were lucky enough to be visited by a REAL Author and Illustrator ~ Rachel Greaves ~ who lives in the local area!  
Rachel came and performed a few of her stories for the children ~ they were captivated by the adventures of 'Ruffles', her wonderful story telling and the amazing props!



The school has purchased a set of 8 books for each of the classes and a set for the school library too, so that your child can share the adventures with you at home!  
Not only are the children talking about reading, but some are even thinking about becoming an author or illustrator themselves! GREAT!

Our School Attendance Target for  
2018-19 is to be ABOVE 96%

Autumn term 1 Attendance ~ 97.4%

Thank you for your support!

### **Penalty Notice Fines**

Please remember that holidays taken during term time will not be authorised. Over the last half term there have been parents at this school who have received Penalty Notice Fines. You may also receive a fine if your child's attendance falls below 90% ~ this is classed as Persistently Absent.

### **Punctuality**

Please ensure that your child arrives on time to enter school in the class line. If your child is entering through the main door this is logged as minutes late and your child will be missing some of their daily phonic lesson. Phonics is important in supporting reading.

1 DAY MENU CHANGE ~ Mon 5th Nov  
Please see outdoor notice board. Thank You



## **SAVE THE DATE!**



- EYFS Maths Meeting\* 5th Nov 2.30pm  
(\* sadly we are unable to accommodate siblings)
- School Nurse Drop In Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 2.30pm
- Anti Bullying Week 12<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Wear Blue for Anti Bullying - Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Children In Need Fri 16<sup>th</sup> November ~  
NON UNIFORM DAY £1 Donations
- Flu Immunisations ~ Tues 27<sup>th</sup> November
- Y1&Y2 Pantomime Trip ~ Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> December
- Christmas Party ~ Tues 18<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Lunch ~ Weds 19<sup>th</sup> December
- EYFS Pantomime ~ Weds 19<sup>th</sup> December
- **The end of the Autumn Term ~ school closes on the evening of Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 and reopens on 7th Jan**

Details for the events above will follow soon!

# **Bonfire Cake Sale TOMORROW 3.20pm**