



Barcombe CE Primary School

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting term this is turning out to be! School is alive with art, music, dance and drama, and there's a real buzz in the air which is lovely to hear and feel.

School is looking great with some fantastic work on display throughout. It's such a shame that we can't invite you all in yet, but at the end of this newsletter are some photos taken today which give you a taste of our lovely displays celebrating the children's work.

## Progress towards our SDP aims: curriculum

The 'Landscapes' project is our Create project for this year following on from Discover (History) and Explore (Geography/Design Technology) earlier in the academic year. You can find more information about our curriculum development on the school website.

## Volunteer Reading Army

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered to come and hear our readers. We will be in touch with you very soon about days you are available and which classes we would like you to read with. We really want to get everyone at Barcombe enjoying reading, and your help to get them off to a good start is much appreciated.



## Community Links

Our link with Lime Tree House Residential Home continues and our School Council recently had a Zoom call with some of the residents who were excited to meet some of the children properly and told us all of the things they are looking forward to when restrictions ease. Our children asked some super questions and we learnt that their oldest resident is 103!

They also asked us some great questions about our school (including what the children think of their teachers!) and we can't wait to zoom them or even visit them!

School councillor Sophie said, "It was interesting to learn about their lives when they were younger."

School councillor Greg agreed, adding, "It was interesting to see how different our lives are to theirs when they were younger."



We are also very grateful to Barcombe villager and Stoolball Club player Janet Hughes for coming along to work with some of our classes on stoolball. Perhaps there are some potential future Barcombe team players among our pupils!



## Learning Opportunities

There are so many lovely learning opportunities happening at the moment. Here are just a few examples:



Seb D - Owls

Owls spent a happy morning at WAB making close observations of leaves and collecting samples ready for their science and art work. They also created some rather cute leaf creatures.



Foxes have been experimenting with dance as part of their project work and along with Owls had a visit from a beekeeper to complement their science work.



Badgers Year 3s have started their Forest School sessions this week.



Squirrels have been trying their hand at coding, working collaboratively.



Our intrepid Hedgehogs have been out and about enjoying their weekly welly walks (and getting very wet!)



## Church Links

We are delighted that a new rector for Barcombe has been appointed and look forward to him becoming part of our school community. Ali Brown (Children and Family Ministry) has this week restarted her visits to our classes to support our RE learning. Our current school value is Perseverance.

*"You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised."*  
Hebrews 10:36

## Music

We are pleased to be able to offer our pupils lessons on a variety of instruments. Please see the separate email sent out for further information. At the moment we can offer violin, recorder, flute, clarinet, saxophone, and cello. There is a possibility of drum kit lessons from September if there is interest in that.

## Dates for your diary

As we hopefully move further out of lockdown, more events may be added.

### May 2021

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Owls Railway Travel workshop
Mon - Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	Bikeability Y6 group 1
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Badgers gardening begins
Mon – Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability Y6 group 2
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 5

### June 2021

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	start of term 6
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Squirrels gardening begins
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Individual school photos plus Year 6 group photo
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 2 Forest School sessions begin
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day

### July 2021

Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Patina (Y6)
wb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Art Exhibition
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Hedgehogs gardening begins
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Y6 to Hindleap Warren
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last day of term for children

Best wishes,

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Barcombe is looking lovely! Here's a peek into our main areas:

