# Barrington C of E (VC) Primary School

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#### Autumn Term No 2 Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Website: www.barrington.cambs.sch.uk Contact: office@barrington.cambs.sch.uk

# **Dates & Events**

#### Harvest Festival Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Sept

Harvest Festival will most likely be just for pupils and staff again this year. However we will still welcome donations of food for the village food bank.

# Parents Evenings/Meetings Week beg 18<sup>th</sup> October

Parent evenings/meetings will take place during the week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> October.

Class teachers will send emails with details of available time slots, which will be at various times during that week. The meetings will again be held over Zoom.

#### New staff member

We would like to welcome Mrs Michelle Geal to the team, Mrs Geal will be working at lunchtime and in Blue and Orange class.

#### Plants for Sensory Garden

Please keep collecting suitable plants for the sensory garden. Herbs, lavender, grasses etc. We will send out details in due course but expect to arrange a planting day towards the end of September.

#### Sports Clubs and collection

Collecting from afterschool clubs please can we kindly ask that you wait outside and club teachers will bring the children out to you when the session activity has finished.

Peacock club – please ring the bell and a member of peacock club staff will attend.

#### We are a NUT FREE school

Please do not send children in with food items containing nuts. This includes cereal bars containing nuts and peanut butter in packed lunches. We do have children in school with nut allergies. Thank vou.

# From Mrs Davies

Newsletter

We have had a lovely first week back in school; all the children have settled back into the routines of the school day and the new children in Red Class have all been happy to come in, despite being taught by me rather than Mrs Hayes! Mrs Hayes is on the mend and her COVID isolation officially comes to an end next Wednesday, so as long as she's feeling well enough, she will be back in school then. The children are enjoying having more play equipment out on the school playground and being able to play with whoever they like. As a school we are investing time in reminding children of our expectations for behaviour in school – especially on the playground, as we are very aware that it is 18 months since we have all been outside together. We have just three words for our school rules to make them easy for the children to remember;

#### Ready, Respectful, Kind

We use these with the children to help them decide whether a behaviour is acceptable in school.

We have reminded the children that it is not as easy for the staff outside to see everything that happens on the playground, now that it is busier, and that it is important for them to tell an adult if someone is doing something they should not. All staff outside wear bright pink vests to make them easy for children to spot. However, if there is something that is worrying your child please do let either their class teacher or myself know. Over the seven years that your child is with us, they will spend 1.4 years of their time with us in the playground – so it is really important that this is a happy place for everyone.

Over the next few terms we are planning on adding to the resources available for the children in the playground to help every child have a happy playtime.

If any parents would like to get involved in this project, please do come and talk to me – once I am released from Red class I will be back on the playground and easy to find! Gill Davies

School closed training day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Half Term Mon 25<sup>th</sup> –Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Oct

> Harvest Festival Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Sept

# Amendment to school Holidays 2021-22

**Next year** the last day of term will be Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 will be a holiday in lieu of Queen's Jubilee which falls during May half term 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Please rememerber we are a NUT FREE school

Reminder – PLEASE can ALL belongings be named!

#### Peacock club

We need parents to book their children in for cooking no later than Tuesday end of school if they want to cook on Thursday. We obviously only want to purchase ingredients for those booked in. Thank you, From Peacock club

## Provisional Date for KS1 nativity

We have put a provisional date in the diary for KS1 nativity play during the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> December. At this stage we cannot say if this will be recorded or if will be a 'live' performance with a limited audience.

#### Photo and Village Walk permissions

A reminder that when children join Barrington School you will sign for your permissions for photography and to walk around the village. This permission will last for their time here, therefore if your circumstances change please contact the school office.

# Reminder – Name belongings!

PLEASE can ALL belongings be named. It makes it much easier to re-unite lost items with their rightful owner.

Vacancy for cleaner at Barrington school Start date October 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 or as soon as possible after We are looking for a friendly, team player, for 10-15 hours a week.. after school hours (between 3.15-6.00 pm, with some flexibility and the possibility of a job share.

The rate of pay for this post/ posts is £9.25 per hour. Full advert is on our website.

#### https://www.barrington.cambs.sch.uk

For more information please email

<u>head@barrington.cambs.sch.uk</u> or call 01223 712273. For an application pack contact the school office on 01223 712273 or email

office@barrington.cambs.sch.uk. The closing date for the application is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

#### Sims Pay now Pay360 education payments

If you would like to be set up for online payments or forgotten passwords please contact the office.

# Gathering on the Green In Barrington 12<sup>th</sup> September Help on the stall and donations of cakes are needed...Thank you.

Please let FOBS know if you are able to help on the FOBS table on Sunday for an hour or so (to help sell teas and/or if anyone fancies doing some face painting) between 12-4pm, please let Steph know on stephbranston@hotmail.com

All proceeds from the stall will go to Friends of Barrington School.

Also if anyone is able to make any cakes (small or large) that we can sell at the event on Sunday, please let Steph know. Please do come along and join the celebration of Barrington Village.

#### **New Parents**

To find out more about the school PTA, events happening and ways to get involved, we have a 'Friends of Barrington School - FOBS' page that you can follow on Facebook.

# Saturday 25th September FOWLMERE PLAYGROUP

**THRIFT** > 9-11:30am

Great quality pre-loved items at bargain prices!



## **Raising funds for library books**

If you would like to donate please visit this just giving page – Usbourn Books will increase the amount raised to buy books for us.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/booksforb arrington?utm\_term=xdd9Q7eaB

#### Avon..Mrs Mansfield donate 10% to FOBS

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