

Barthol Chapel School

Bulletin 3 – 29th March 2023



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We have had and extremely busy and productive term with our pupils continuing to work hard and develop their learning journeys even with the disruption of school closures.

We will be saying our goodbyes to Mrs. Macdonald and I would like to again express our gratitude for all her hard work, dedication and commitment to our school. Mrs. Macdonald will be missed and we hope she enjoys spending more time with her family especially her Granddaughter Bonnie.

I am delighted to say that Ms. Karrim will be continuing with us after Easter and we are currently holding interviews for new members of staff to take up a Fixed Term post in Term 4. Once I have more information I will endeavor to let you know.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all again for your continued support of our school. We are very fortunate to have such support and I would like to wish you all a lovely well deserved Easter holiday.

Easter Walk Through

Pupils in Primary 5-7 joined Alison Swindells and Caroline Brown, Youth Development Worker of Formartine Youth Project at Tarves Church to learn more about the Easter Story. All pupils in the school received a kit to help them create a piece of art to add to the Community Easter Garden at Barthol Chapel Church and also created their own art using recycled items. Every pupil will have the opportunity to add their creative piece to the Community Easter Garden on Friday 31st March when the school will visit Barthol Church for an Easter Assembly. We would also like to say a huge thank you to Barthol Chapel Community Cafe for paying for the transport to and from Tarves Church.





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Far I Bide

Pupils have spent the rest of this term getting to know 'far they bide'. Infants have been working on activities in the local area where seniors have been looking further afield to Scotland, UK and Europe to develop a mental map and sense of place, being able to interpret information from different types of maps to locate key features.



Parent Interviews

Parent Consultations will be held on Thursday 27th April (3.45pm – 5:15pm) and (5.30pm – 8:00pm). We will be running 10-minute consultations. Please confirm your preferred appointment date here.

Literacy Programme

I am delighted to let you know that as part of our School Improvement Plan we have invested in a new literacy programme called Read, Write Inc. After researching, discussions and visiting other schools to see this in practice I felt it would be a good fit for Barthol Chapel and have managed to secure the resources and training for all staff. There will be more information to follow once we have undertaken the training and started to roll the programme out in school.



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New Shed

As you will be aware we were in desperate need for a new shed to store our resources. I am thrilled to say we have taken delivery of our lovely new shed and I would like to again say a huge thank you to the Parent Council for their generous contribution towards it. Your support is invaluable.

I would also like to thank those who came to dismantle the old shed. It was a huge help to the school and your time and effort is very much appreciated.







Bikeability

Bikeability will be taking place after the Easter holidays in Term 4. This is for pupils in Priamry 4-7 and a letter will be sent out to give you more information on this.

Rag Bag

Thank you to those who are continuing to use the Rag Bag drop off at our school. It is a super way for us to make some extra money for the school.

Some of you may be aware that it has been full for a while due to driver shortages but I am pleased to let you know it has been emptied today.

Term Dates

Term 3 Ends: Friday 31st March
Term 4 Starts: Monday 17th April
Parent Interviews: Thursday 27th April
May Day Holiday: Monday 1st May
Coronation Holiday: Monday 8th May

Sports Day: Friday 19th May @ 2pm

Occasional Day Holiday: Friday 2nd June (School Closed)
Occasional Day Holiday: Monday 5th June (School Closed)
School Disco: Friday 16th June 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Primary 7 Transition Days: Tuesday 20th June – Thursday 22nd June

Last Day of Term 4: Friday 7th July