



Barford



Monday 14th October

Primary School

Headteacher's Message.

Our first half term is coming to an end and time has flown—I am very aware that I say this every year. There have been lots of positive attitudes and good quality work to celebrate over the last few weeks and I am sure that this will continue. I have particularly been so pleased with the way in which our older children have looked after and helped our new Reception class settle into the school. Thank you to you all for making them feel so welcome.

Our Harvest Celebration— no damp squib

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend the Harvest Service. Despite having to hold the celebration at school due to our wonderful weather, it was still a great success. This year we had poetry readings from children of different ages, which focused on a variety of different aspects of harvest, food and being thankful in general. It was wonderful to hear such creative and wise words from our pupils—it certainly was food for thought. Accompanied by some lovely harvest time songs, the celebration was from the heart. Thank you too for all of the donations of food which will be passed onto the Mid-Norfolk Foodbank in Dereham and also distributed within the local community. This is an important link with the village and one which is a pleasure to share with families. Thank you.

GR8ASUR is here

Your child may have been coming home over the last week mentioning such terms as GR8 M8 and STAR! I will explain... Our school has signed up to a 3 year programme, supported by the GR8 ASUR team, which develops self-worth, difference and inclusion. There will be lots of discussion and positivity around this in school and some of the children who show that they can be excellent role models in the key behaviours will become 'All Stars' and able to wear our GR8 ASUR lanyards. More information will be coming out over the following months, with everyone working together to be successful.

FOBS Quiz n' Chips

Friday 15th November—7.30pm start

Entry forms are now available from the school office.

Be there or be square!

We are still taking donations for the Mid-Norfolk Foodbank.

Dried, tinned or any non-perishable goods would be great.

Please drop them in!

NEW YEAR

School Disco

Friday 10th January

6-8pm

More details to follow.



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Learning Meetings

Monday 4th November

and

Wednesday 6th November

Appointment forms will be sent out this week.

Please return to school ASAP.

Final day of this half term is :

Friday 18th October 2019—this week!!!

Bags 2 School Collection

We collected 280kg (over 1/4 tonne) of clothing!

That converts to a brilliant £112 raised for the school. Thank you to all of you who donated.

Please make sure that your child has a warm, waterproof coat in school every day. We will still go outside if there is light rain at playtime or during the Daily Mile. Please provide an appropriate coat.
Many thanks

97.2%

Attendance Update

Thank you for your support during the first few weeks of this term. We currently have an attendance figure of 97.2% which is the best start we have had to a new school year for a number of years. It is so important that we maintain this and that children are given the opportunity to come to school if they are well enough to do so. Your support with this is much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss any matters further.

Kind regards

Matt Dunscombe

Keys dates for your diaries

End of Autumn (1) Half Term		Friday 18th October
First day of Autumn (2)		Monday 28th October
Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight Survey		Wednesday 30th October
Road Safety Talks (all classes)		Thursday 31st October
Learning Meetings—Option 1	3.30—6.45	Monday 4th November
Learning Meetings—Option 2	3.30—6.30	Wednesday 6th November
FOBS Quiz and Chips Night	7 until 10	Friday 15th November
End of Autumn Term Last day for pupils.		Wednesday 18th December
Christmas Play—Take 1	5.30pm	Wednesday 11th December
Christmas Play—Take 2	2pm	Thursday 12th December
Christmas Play—Take 3	5.30pm	Thursday 12th December