



## Spotlight on the Lions Class

The first week of Autumn 2 and the half term break has provided the children with a much-needed opportunity to recharge their batteries and to reflect upon the term so far and the expectations and challenges of the year ahead. As they hit the ground running, our exercise books are packed already with fabulous examples of the learning that has taken place and progress is clearly evident after only seven weeks in school.

Looking ahead, our work in maths retains a number focus as we complete our unit on Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication & Division before moving on to two units on Fractions, then we finish the term with our final unit on Measurement.

In English, we have been working from the classic novel 'The Secret Garden' which provided inspiration for an in-depth study of character description writing, which was completed most successfully in the final week.

Beyond the English and maths curriculum, we are moving on to new topics this term, with geography replacing history in which our plans follow the enquiry 'What is so special about the U.S.A.?'. In science, we will be covering 'Changes of Materials' and later in the term we will explore a Design and Technology project on Gears and Pulleys in place of art. P.E. will move indoors for the colder weather as Years 5 & 6 develop their skills in gymnastics and our Charanga scheme in Music will cover Classroom Jazz. In R.E. we will move on to Christianity.

This is always an exciting half term – not only are we on the lead up to Christmas but it also promises to be packed with special events. We were delighted to receive an email before half term announcing a repeat of last year's highly successful CET Y6 Netball Participation Day. This will, once again, be held at William Howard School on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. It really was a wonderful experience for our Year 6s last year and I know how much our current Year 6 will enjoy the day.

It has been an incredibly busy and hard-working term so far and I am truly impressed by the ever higher standard and quality of work that I am beginning to see in class exercise books. Really well done so far Lions. Have a good half term and come back recharged, ready for the next seven weeks!

This report provides an opportunity to share recent responsibility appointments in the class and I am pleased to announce that our School Council elected representatives are Arush and Riley. Furthermore, our Language Leaders (French) will be Emily, Summer and Leland (keeping it in the family it seems! 😊). We have a new role this year too, that of Humanities Ambassadors and Ronnie and Archie have been chosen due to their interest in both history and geography.

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Finally, two of our Barchester members have written a superb report of all that this very worthwhile project involves, which follows:

### **Barchester House Resident Community Club**

#### Members of our club

The members of Barchester House Resident Community Club are a great group of children and staff who enjoy visiting Barchester and come along every week on a Wednesday to make amazing things, do drawings and of course, write letters most importantly. Members have dedicated lots of their time and effort into being a part of this club. This helps them to get active by walking, creating and most importantly having fun!

Members: Kayla, Emily, Arush, Summer, Emma, Mikara, Hollie, Georgie, Ronnie, Oscar, Dylan, Archie & James.

#### What Barchester is about

Barchester is about the wonderful residents of Barchester/Lanercost House Community. The members of our club get to visit these lovely elderly people.

In Barchester we get to write letters and draw cute pictures every so often. But it's all about the special people who live there, including Kaye, Avril, Sylvia, Ruth, Mary B, Mary C, Judith, Kay, Bob, Gilda, Margaret, Rhoda and Sadie.

We are very touched by all the residents who will be included in this club this year and by how many are dedicated just like we are to this group. We can't wait to have many more visits than we already have done! Every one of us loves visiting Barchester and we are always meeting new people every time someone new joins the club.

#### What we do while we are there

When we visit Barchester we usually talk to our pen pal and it's always a bunch of fun! At Barchester, we get biscuits and orange squash or water. All of the time everyone there is lovely and is always up for a chat and a drink or maybe a biscuit. At Christmas we get to go and celebrate with a Christmas party.

We also have little tea parties and play bingo sometimes when we go! We are able to ask the residents remarkably interesting questions - most of the time we ask about their family and what they used to do for fun or still do now, or we might ask about their jobs that they have had in the past. A lot of the time we have a good talk while we are with them and talk to a group of residents, we always have fun when we are there. All of the residents are really good to be around and most of them are very funny and make all of us laugh when they say a joke to us. We each sit with our pen pals but also move around to sit with other people who live there.

#### Meeting Anne [who just turned 100!]

When we went to Barchester, we got to meet Anne. Although Anne is 100, she is a very funny woman. When Emily and Miss Bradley went to see her, she was talking to the television. Anne was in her afternoon chill time [which was at the bottom of the hallway]. When Kayla and Mrs. Lund went to see Anne she said "why are you bringing me all these children!". Everyone was so happy to meet her because she was so humble and sweet. Kayla and Emily thought that she was a lovely lady and very

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nice to talk to and take a photo with! Also when Mrs. Lund put her thumbs up she said "How do you do that!" which we all laughed at!

#### Description of Avril – Emily's pen pal

Avril is very good company. She has 4 children, 6 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. She used to work at a furniture store. One of her children were there with us yesterday and her great grandchild was there. Avril has a wonderful personality. She is quite emotional because she was crying when we got there.

#### Description of Kaye – Kayla's pen pal

Kaye can't talk or eat so day to day things can be hard for her because she can't eat cakes when the rest of us are or drink when we are all having squash. One thing that makes her life easier is art and sign language because that's how she can communicate. Art helps her because she really loves it and did I mention her art is absolutely amazing in every way it can be! I really love having conversations with her. Even though she cannot talk I still enjoy talking to her and having her company when I am at Barchester. Kaye is very funny as well!

I have learned from her that she used to go on the trampoline until she had to get a wheelchair because of an accident that happened to her.

Written by Kayla & Emily

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## Notices

- All children MUST be collected from their classrooms and NOT the school office.
- If children would like to play on the school field during playtimes & lunchtime they must ensure they bring spare shoes/trainers/wellies to school as the grass is often wet.



## Reminders

- If your child is off sick, please ensure you call the office every morning unless otherwise agreed
- Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to school each day
- With the cooler weather approaching please ensure your child has a coat in school each day.
- Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school everyday.



## Attendance

The class with the highest attendance for last week was:



## **Tigers & Jaguars**

*Well done! Keep it up!!*



## Diary Dates

- **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Break the Rules Day**
- **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Movie Night**



**Tuck Shop will run every other Tuesday**

Dates for this month:

8<sup>th</sup> November

22<sup>nd</sup> November



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# Stars of the week..



**Scarlet – Lions Class**

**Leila-Rose - Tigers Class**

**Leela - Jaguars Class**

**Skye - Leopards Class**

**Aria - Cubs Class**



Every Friday we celebrate the three R's in school. We would also like to celebrate students' achievements outside of school, this could include football, netball, cycling, drama.

Please inform your child's class teacher or the office and this will be recognised and celebrated in assembly on Friday.



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Respect...

Responsibility...

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# House Team Points



82



136



107



130

Well done!

This week's winner is the **Blue Team** – Well Done

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Well  
DONE!



Well done to all who entered our Firework Poster Competition and a huge Well Done to all 5 winners!



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# NEWTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEK 3

Freshly made every day!



DAY	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 3	PUDDING
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> served with Baked Beans and Mixed Salad	<b>Oven Baked Jacket Potato</b> filled with Cheese & Beans, Cheese, Beans or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Soft Roll</b> filled with Cheese, Ham or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Chocolate Sponge Cake &amp; Custard</b> or Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Chicken Korma</b> served with Rice, Naan Bread and Garden Peas	<b>Oven Baked Jacket Potato</b> filled with Cheese & Beans, Cheese, Beans or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Soft Roll</b> filled with Cheese, Ham or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Flapjack</b> or Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Sliced Cooked Turkey</b> served with Roast Potatoes, Carrot and Pea Medley and Gravy	<b>Oven Baked Jacket Potato</b> filled with Cheese & Beans, Cheese, Beans or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Soft Roll</b> filled with Cheese, Ham or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Sticky Toffee Pudding, Toffee Sauce &amp; Cream</b> or Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Tuna &amp; Sweetcorn Pasta Bake</b> served with Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	<b>Oven Baked Jacket Potato</b> filled with Cheese & Beans, Cheese, Beans or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Soft Roll</b> filled with Cheese, Ham or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Vanilla &amp; Raspberry Ice Cream Roll</b> or Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Fish Fingers</b> served with Chips, Garden Peas and Tomato Ketchup	<b>Oven Baked Jacket Potato</b> filled with Cheese & Beans, Cheese, Beans or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Soft Roll</b> filled with Cheese, Ham or Tuna served with Mixed Salad	<b>Banana Cake</b> or Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

**Available Daily: Fresh Fruit and Bread!**

If you have any questions about food allergens please speak to the kitchen team who will be happy to help.

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# Walk, Coffee & Cake

Wednesday's 11:00am – 12:00pm

Starting Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

This is an opportunity for Parents/Carers to come along for a walk in the community then come back to school to have a cuppa and some cake and learn more about supporting and finding resources to help with Mental Health and Wellbeing for both their children and themselves.

Meet outside school gates at 11am

If walking isn't for you we will be back at school for 11:30pm for cake and a cuppa.



Coffee & Chat



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