



The Borders Partnership of Schools  
**Barnby & North Cove and Glebeland  
Primary Schools**

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Dear Parents

Welcome to Class 2. If you haven't had the chance to say hello yet, please do come across and introduce yourself- socially distant of course! Also, on that note, the cones on the field are not to keep you away but are to separate the field into 2 areas for the children at playtimes. You are welcome to wait nearer Class 2 if you want to. I am pleased to say the children have settled in really well and are adapting to our new routines. Handwashing and sanitising our hands is the 'the new normal' as they say, and we are getting much quicker now...the children even have a bubble glove routine to get the line moving!

We are making sure that equipment we use frequently is kept in individual learning packs and the children have their own trays to keep their exercise books in. Equipment that we share is thoroughly cleaned and or quarantined before being used again. We are asking that children only bring in the essentials each day- water bottle and coat. A pair of wellies or outdoor trainers should be kept at school, so the children can freely enjoy the outdoor spaces without traipsing mud through the classroom after play times. We do not need book bags or rucksacks at the moment. Currently, our PE days will be Wednesday and Friday. Please send in a PE kit on Wednesday and the children will bring them home again on Friday afternoon. PE will be outside, so send in the appropriate kit. Reading books will be given out on a Friday and I will ask you to keep hold of them until the following Friday. We will of course be reading as a class, group or individually in school every day.

The first couple of weeks we are focusing on exploring feelings and emotions, using the book *The Colour Monster*- we have really enjoyed this. There are versions online if you want to look at it at home. We are also finding out about our 'Learning Super Powers'- resilience, creativity, respect, independence and motivation. We are working towards becoming Super Learners!

Some of the other areas of the curriculum we will be exploring this term are:

History- Looking at how things have changed in living memory. This will relate to the children's own lives-homes/ toys etc and how these are different to those of our parents' and grand parents' when they were young. We will also be finding out about The Queen and recent changes in the monarchy.

Geography- Looking at our local area and contrasting it with another country.

RE- We will be finding out about two different festivals- Christmas and Diwali.

Science- We will use our investigative skills to find out about materials and their properties.

Karen will be teaching us some drawing skills in our Art sessions and Mrs Burton will be introducing us to the German language. We are pleased that Mrs Horsley will be back to help us progress with our musical skills too.

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If you have any queries please pop along to the gate at the end of the day, and once I have safely dismissed the children I will be happy to answer any quick questions.

Best wishes

Nicola Rednall and the Key Stage 1 team



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