



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

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! We have had a lovely start to the year in class 3 so far and the children are settling in nicely to the school day. We have been practicing key routines so that transitions run smoothly during the day. The children are getting quicker at washing their hands using our new handwashing routine, they are sanitising and washing their hands on entry to school, before lunch and at the end of the day. Thank you for your patience in the mornings and at the end of the day to ensure that this happens.

All children have been provided with a 'learn pack' of essential stationary which they keep in their trays, along with their books for each subject. They do not need to bring into school any other stationary or pencil cases. Please can all pupils have a pair of wellies/outdoor shoes to reduce the mud being brought into the classroom. All children will need to bring in their PE kit in a drawstring bag on our PE days (please see below). Please do not send in ruck sacks for PE kits, as the children need to put their bags under the table and these types of bags are too big and cause a trip hazard. They do not need to bring in a book bag at present.

PE	Wednesdays and Fridays
Music	Thursdays
Languages	Thursdays (Spanish)

During the first two weeks we will be thinking about our mental health and exploring our sense of community. Each day the children are completing a page in their feelings diary to help them become more aware of their feelings and so that I can offer support if needed. We will also be building our learning behaviours of resilience, risk-taking, creativity, respect, independence and motivation so that they are ready to learn and to do their best.

We are busy organising our reading books and making sure that the children have the right colour band for their ability. Reading books will be going home on Fridays and they will need to be returned the following Friday. There will be a box outside for the children to put their books in when they return them. Please do not bring books in on any other day.

Our first topic is 'Everyone's A Winner'. We will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians and writing newspaper reports about the discovery of the pyramids. We will be reading Flat Stanley: The Great Egyptian

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Grave Robbery and writing our own adventure stories. In Science, we will be learning about states of matter and how materials change when they are heated or cooled. We will also be learning about the water cycle. To support the children's learning at school the children will be receiving a list of home learning opportunities. They will need to complete one activity at home per week. There will be a variety of practical and written activities for the children to choose between. I am very much looking forward to starting our new topic and to a great year with your child/children.

Kind regards,

Mrs Franklin

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