



BARRINGTON BARREL

4th Edition (Summer 2024)



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MEME METROPOLIS

What is a snake's favorite subject in school?

Hissssssstory!

What's brown and sticky?

A stick!

What kind of balls don't bounce?

Eyeballs.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary?

A thesaurus.

How do stop an astronaut's baby crying?

You rocket!

If a butcher wears a size XL shirt and a size 13 shoe, what does he weigh?

Meat!

Movie Recommendations



1st: **Bolt**

This movie has cool characters. There is a girl called Penny who gets a dog called Bolt. Bolt has amazing powers!

2nd: **Wonka**

It is classical and fun. It has a lot of mystery in it. Many children enjoy eating chocolate.

3rd: **Raya and the Last Dragon**

It's got a lot of adventure and suspense. It is well animated, and it is set in the olden times.



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News

The unexpected explosion!

On Tuesday, 7 May, part of the school closed because of an emergency. A sewage pipe burst and flooded some of the rooms. All of the Early Years and Key Stage One classrooms were affected – Amethyst, Opal, and Sapphire. Thankfully, school remained open for Year Six SATs preparation and emergency childcare.

Since then, children in Emerald and Diamond have had to use the emergency portable toilets. On the positive side, the hand dryer is nice to use and the soap smells good. On the downside, the urinals are way too tall!

Unfortunately, a lot of things in the affected classrooms were destroyed. Lots of repairs are needed. The school appreciates donations of books, toys and resources for students, in particular:

- Small world toys, dinosaurs, puppets, marbles, toy cars, action figures/ dolls, dressing up outfits (age 3-7), kitchen/ home role play equipment and wellies.
- Story and picture books





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Emerald's Trip to the Theatre

On 1st May, Emerald went on a trip to a theatre playing 'Boy At The Back Of The Class', an authentic heartfelt story filled with knowledge of refugees. Many people in Emerald said it was a great play and that it was very descriptive of the story. However many were upset that a character named Miss Hemsli was not included in the play.

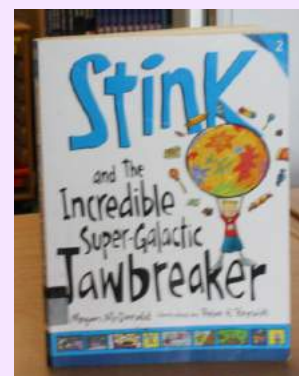
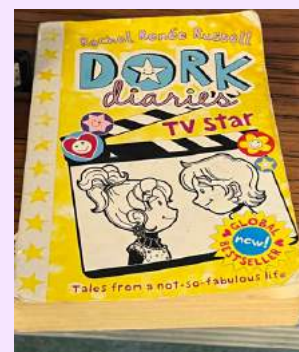
Another thing is that people were surprised that the teacher of Emerald, Mrs.Green, did not cry (because she cries every time she reads the story in class!).

Books you should check out

The Legend of Kevin by Philip Reeve is a book where Max finds a flying pony and the pony is hurt so he brings him into his house.

Dork Diaries: TV Star by Rachel Renee Russell is about Nikki Maxwell getting a TV show and becomes a celebrity.

STINK and the Incredible Super-galactic Jawbreaker by Megan McDonald. When Stink buys a huge jawbreaker that doesn't break his jaw, he writes to the manufacturer and receives 21,280 jawbreakers for his trouble!





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SATs Is Now Over!!!

SATs recently finished. They had 3 Maths papers 2 G.P.S papers and 1 guided reading paper.

After some interviews with Year 6s, we found out that many said it was quite stressful. They were allowed to bring an item for their comfort to the tests, however those items could not have any words on them.

Some prepared beforehand for the papers so that they could gain more knowledge and be less worried about doing poorly. They also had an After School Club to help them to prepare; this took place every Monday. Now that SATs is over, they are much more relieved and relaxed. On Friday, the day after the final paper, they went to an Italian Restaurant in Wolsingham. Then, they went to play in the park across the road.

To every Year 6 who faced this challenge, WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!!!!!!!





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Activities this Term

Tuesday
23rd April

Reopening of Amethyst Learning Zone (Amethyst LZ)

Thursday
25th April

3.15pm Open Event for parents & carers by Chartwells (School Meal Provider) (All LZ)

Week of
29th April

Parents & Carers to visit Learning Zones (All LZs)

Wednesday
1st May

Emerald Trip to the Theatre Royal - Newcastle (Emerald LZ)

Week of
13th May

Year 6 SATS Week (Diamond LZ)

Week of
20th May

Mental Health Week (All LZs)

Friday
24th May

Kema Kay Rapper with Ruby Learning Zone (Ruby LZ)

Announcements

If anyone can help to support our annual **Summer Fair** by donating prizes for the raffle or coming along to staff a stall or event please speak to Mrs Green, Mr Storey or Mrs Cross. The Fair is on **Saturday 13th July** from 11am.

We are planning to have a '**Picnic Party**' at lunchtime on our very last day of the year - **Friday 19th July**. Those on packed lunch can take part and a letter will be coming out next half term. Fingers crossed for the weather!



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Looking Ahead

Week commencing 3rd June – Climate change Week

Thursday 6th June – Durham Police Assembly Water Safety

Monday 10th June – Diamond Rounders Festival

Tuesday 11th June – Year 6 Leavers' Service at Durham Cathedral

Friday 14th June – 9.30 EYFS/KS1 Sports Day

Friday 14th June – 2.00 KS2 Sports Day

Monday 17th June – 3 day trip to Edinburgh for Year 5&6

Friday 21st June – Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Day (wear yellow)

Tuesday 25th June – KS2 Frisbee Festival

Friday 28th June – 2pm Pride Event

Week commencing 1st July – Parent Appointments

Thursday 4th July – EYFS & KS1 Trip to Beach

Monday 8th July – KS2 Trip to Beach

Tuesday 9th July – Transition Day (New Classes)

Thursday 11th July – SATs FEST

Friday 12th July – Orienteering & Outdoor Adventure

Saturday 13th July – Summer Fair

Tuesday 16th July – EYFS/KS1 Summer Disco

Wednesday 17th July – 2.00 Year 6 Leavers' Presentation

Thursday 18th July – KS2 Summer Disco

7 Friday 19th July – Last Day of School and Picnic Party!