Dear Parents,

Happy Barvember!



What is Barvember?

Barvember is organised by White Rose Maths to encourage everyone to use the bar model. The bar model is a very useful tool for helping children visualise and then solve maths problems. Even some of the most complex problems can be seen much easier when represented visually. Barvember provides an opportunity for everyone to have some fun with maths. White Rose Maths releases daily challenges for free on their website for the children to solve. Note: Bar models are just one of the many ways children can visualise a problem in maths.

What are bar models?

<u>Follow this link</u> to learn more about bar models and Barvember. The video (6:06) is a really useful tool to help parents understand how to use bar models and why they are important. The FAQs also have a wealth of information to aid you in supporting your child at home.

How do we celebrate Barvember at Wimbledon Chase?

We hold weekly Barvember clubs for years 3-6 (every Thursday) for the children to practise using bar models in a friendly, fun environment. We also show the children the daily problems in their maths lessons/ as early morning work.

How do I share my solution?

- Your child can bring in their solutions to show their class teachers
- On X (Twitter), you can submit your answers to @WhiteRoseMaths and use #barvember
- Send it to support@whiterosemaths.com

If you have any questions, please see your child's class teacher.

Kind regards, Miss Bialkowski and Miss Boyt Maths Leads