

NEWSLETTER

Current Attendance:
98.1%

<http://barnes-farm-junior.eschools.co.uk>

No 2 September 8th 2016

New Playground Arrangements

Lunchtime is a vitally important part of the school day for our pupils; it allows pupils to socialise in a relatively free and unstructured, safe environment which is not always available outside the school gates. Once our MUGA (multi-use games area) is finished we will be rolling out a new set of arrangements which, we hope, will enhance your child's enjoyment of this break time and impact positively on teaching and learning as a result.

Here are the key changes:

- * *Children to sit by class rather than meal choice when having lunch*
- * *The field to be used all year round where possible (Parents—please provide a change of shoes/trainers in a plastic bag for your child to access this)*
- * *A permanent football pitch to be sited and used every day (with goals)*
- * *Each year group to have a dedicated time in the MUGA and on the play equipment*
- * *No running on the two tarmac playgrounds or on any school paths*
- * *A 'House' day on a Friday to encourage wider social mixing*
- * *Pupil-run radio station broadcasting 3 times a week onto the playground*

I look forward to confirming a start date for these arrangements with you all shortly.



FOBFS PTA Disco and Invite

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Attached to this letter is an invitation for your child to attend the annual Junior Disco on **Saturday 1st October**.

Also, all parents are invited to come along to the next PTA meeting at the Infant school on **Monday 26th Sept at 7:45pm**. In the last year, the PTA has helped raised over £7,000 which has gone towards new books in Library Lane and the construction of our new multi-use games area. Can you offer any time to continue and improve this support over the coming year? All involvement, however large or small, will be appreciated and make a big difference to the pupils at our school.



Key dates

Thurs 22nd Sept Stranger Danger Parent workshop 7pm-9pm (crèche available)

Mon 26th Sept Macmillan Coffee Morning 8:45am onwards in the Barn (cake donations welcome)

Thurs 29th Sept First e-newsletter sent out to parents

Thurs 13th Oct 4P Class Assembly 9:15am

Thurs 20th Oct 3S Class Assembly 9:15am

Fri 21st Oct Non-Pupil Day 1 + Half term

Tues 1st Nov Parent Consultations 5-8pm (No clubs this week)

Thurs 3rd Nov Parent Consultations 3:30pm-6pm

Thurs 8th Nov 5V Class Assembly 9:15am

Sat 12th Nov PTA Winter Bazaar 2pm-4pm

Fri 18th Nov Children in Need 'Onesie' Day

Sat 10th Dec PTA Christmas Craft Morning

Weds 14th Dec 2pm - Y3 Christmas Performance; Y4 at 7pm

Thurs 15th Dec 2pm - Y4 Christmas Performance; Y3 at 7pm

Tues 20th Dec Christmas Lunch available for pupils

Thurs 21st Dec Last day of Autumn Term

BFJS pupil named in Essex Young Poet of the Year

We are very proud of Jasmine Anderson in Y6 whose poem has been selected for a prize and inclusion in the Essex Young Poet of the Year anthology. We will post it on the website too.

Congratulations!

Tommy Edwards in Y6 has been awarded the part of Oliver in the Young Generation production of Oliver Twist at the Civic Theatre. He will be performing in early November if anyone wanted to go along and watch.

Tickets are available at: <http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/oliver>

