

# **Barnes Farm Junior School**



# NEWSLETTER

**Attendance** 97.3%

Winter Menu Week 2 this week

No 16 January 11th 2018

## Star of the Week Hall of Fame





6MS Mia Smith

6C Eliza Adlem-Probert

Alyssa Efstathiou 65

Jessica Gooday 5M

Luis Holmes *5*V

Abigail Geddes 5C

4P Shanya Baig

George Reeve 45

4CK Dola Olarewaju

3SG Riley Mitchell

3HM Ella Buckley

3B Gracie-Mae Burgess

#### **Key Dates**

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Jan Parent Consultations 5pm-8pm

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Jan** Parent Consultations 3:30pm-6pm

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan Clubs restart

12/2/18-16/2/18 Half term

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb Non-pupil Day 4

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb Chinese New Year activity week

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Mar World Book day

Weds 28th Mar Y5-led Easter Concert at Church of Our

Saviour

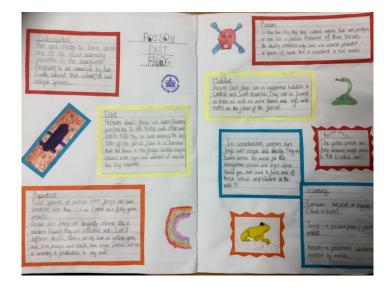
Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Mar Last day of Spring Term

**Mon 16**<sup>th</sup> **Apr** First day of Summer term

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May KS2 SATs week

Poison Dart Frog research by Thomas Ing **Y3** 









### **School Meals Update**

All parents and carers should have received an updated school dinner menu through by email in the early part of this week. Please note that every newsletter has the current week's menu written next to the date. It is also a hyperlink to the actual menu online, so click on the blue text and it should open up in your browser. The menu reverts back to Week 1 after every holiday or half term break.

#### **Music Tuition**

A number of parents have asked about tuition for instruments that we currently don't provide for such as violin and guitar.

We are happy to facilitate offering this provision in conjunction with Essex Music services, but need a minimum number of pupils in order to qualify for the music teaching. If you would like you child to learn a musical instrument then please let the office know and we can add their name to the list. We will then contact you if the list reaches the threshold required for Essex Music Services to allocate a music teacher to

## **Learning Updates from around school**

The Home Learning open afternoon was very inspiring last Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January. So many pupils had engaged in such a range of home learning through the in-flight menu. Thank you to all the parents and carers who took the time to drop in and be 'an audience' for this work.

### **Parent Consultations**

Next week is our termly opportunity to meet with the classteachers for a progress update on how your child is getting on in class. On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January between 5pm and 8pm there is an opportunity to meet with Mrs Cato, the SENCo (Special Educational Needs and Disability lead teacher). If you wish to make an appointment, please contact the office directly.

There is also the opportunity to meet with a Governor, if you wish, by booking a timeslot in the same way as you do for the classteacher.

## **Maternity News**

Parents of Class 3SG have been informed that Miss Smith will be beginning her maternity leave at the February half term. We are delighted to share that Mrs Grantham will be taking the class on full-time through until July to enable a smooth transition to the end of the year.

We are also pleased to share that Mrs Cornforth (Class 4CK) is expecting her second child in May. Further details will be announced nearer the time on class arrangements.





Finally, we are also delighted to share that Miss Griffiths (in our school office) is also expecting her second child in May. Congratulations to all of them and their families and we look forward to reporting further good news in the coming months.

# **Community News**

#### Local Healthcare consultation

Back in December the local NHS in Mid and South Essex launched a formal public consultation on the outline plans for the future of health and care services across mid and south Essex, and in particular our three hospitals (Basildon, Broomfield and Southend). These proposals set out the ambition to reorganise services across our hospital sites in Basildon, Chelmsford and Southend so that we are working together to deliver the best services we can, using our people and resources as effectively as possible for the greatest benefit. Please find the attached flyer for more information on how to take part in the consultation. The next open meeting is on 1.30pm-3.30pm on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018, Michael Ashcroft Building (1st Floor), Anglia Ruskin University, Chelmsford Campus, Bishop Hall Lane, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1SQ



