

NEWSLETTER

Current Attendance
97.3%

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Stars of the Week Hall of Fame



Friday 11th March 2016

6P Francesca Turner-Robinson
6C Marceline Tshinene
6S William Woolven-Brown
5CH Kodi Long
5S Louisa Robertson
5C Ava Roberts
4P Jia Zi Chen
4T Elliott Pyne
4CK Tilda Coen
3RS Jake Brooks
3S Lucy Cassettari
3V Fern Wilson
Mid-day Louis Kirby



Barnes Farm Sporting Success continues!



Fresh from their first competitive game last week, our mixed school netball team took part in an interschool competition at Great Baddow High School yesterday. I'm delighted to share that they won all their games, finished first and are now through to the Chelmsford finals for netball in April. Their sporting conduct and fantastic parental support was also recognised. Well done!



Bag2School



Our supportive PTA—Friends of Barnes Farm Schools have organised another opportunity to recycle unwanted clothes/textiles and raise money for our school at the same time. The collection date is **Friday 15th April** so please circle this in your diaries. There is more information on the back of this newsletter about what is and isn't accepted by the company.



Easter Upgrades!

Over the Easter holidays, the school will be upgrading a significant number of its facilities to further improve provision at the school. Thank you to the Governors for commissioning this work. Upgrades are as follows:

- ◆ New shade sails for both playgrounds ready for the Summer
- ◆ New blinds and curtains in the main school hall
- ◆ Upgraded LED lighting in many of the classrooms and outside the school

Chelmsford City FC—Football in the Community

Over 80 pupils and their parents attended Melbourne Stadium on Saturday for a special VIP visit as part of Chelmsford City's 'Football in the Community' initiative. We witnessed a 4-1 win too!

It was a fantastic afternoon, enjoyed by all, and the school has passed on its thanks to the club for their hospitality. There are additional discount vouchers available from the office for the remaining games in the season.

Miss James, Y3's Learning Support Assistant, will be leaving us this week to take up a teaching position at a school in Maldon. We thank her for work over the past two years and wish her well in her new post.

The arrangements for this year's 11+ test have been issued by the CSSE (The Consortium of Selective Schools in Essex), including details about registration, practice tests, exam dates and test format. This has been copied to the school's website in 'Teaching and Learning > Year 5 > 11+ 2016

Sponsored Skipping Challenge Appeal



Congratulations to all those who completed the Skipping Challenge last week. Well over £1,000 has been pledged so far with much more due to come in. All these funds go directly towards our new multi-use games area.

If monies are still outstanding, you can pay them in via ParentPay or by cash direct to the school office. Thank you to all those who have supported the project so far. A total update will be provided in next week's newsletter.

A brilliant £149 was raised by the Phoenix house cake sale too.

House Points Update

Congratulations to Griffin House who were our Week 9 winners. Here are the totals so far:

Weeks won

Griffin
Phoenix
Pegasus
Dragon

3
4
2
0



Well done to 4P who entertained us with their class assembly this morning. Their illustrations, acting and clear character portraits gave the audience an excellent understanding of Roald Dahl and linked information.

Other Key dates

Fri 18th Mar 9:15am Y5 Easter performance to parents at school

Fri 25th Mar Good Friday—school closed for Spring break

4th-6th April (am) Y6 Easter Booster School

Mon 11th Apr Summer Term begins

Fri 15th Apr Bag2School collection

Mon 2nd May Bank Holiday

Thurs 5th May Polling Day. Y6 in school. Parent Consultations Y3-Y5 p.m.

Fri 6th May Dragon House Ice Cream Sale

