

# **Barnes Farm Junior School**



# NEWSLETTER

Attendance 97.9%

Current Menu Week 1 Click to link to website

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## **Learning Updates from around school**



Our Gardening club have begun work on further developing our allotment area under the guidance of Miss Pyne and Mrs Jacobs. They've been planting spring bulbs and radish seeds as well as clearing out old flower beds. In addition, they have been upgrading the Bug Hotel using bundles of last season's sunflower stems. The

seeds were kindly donated by our local Wyevale Nursery.
Ingenious!



#### Table Tennis Table



We have installed a new table tennis table for children to use at breaktimes under the shadesail in the Hill Playground. Our play leaders will help enable groups of pupils to use this lovely new piece of equipment made possible by the use of our Sport Premium.

#### Friends of Barnes Farm Schools PTA discos

Lots of fun and dancing was had at the two discos last Saturday organised by our PTA, Friends of Barnes Farm Schools. More than half of each year group attended their particular disco and feedback from the children has been extremely positive. We are very grateful to the PTA for the time and effort put in to arrange and run this event and others throughout the year.



The next event they will be running at the school is the hugely popular Winter Bazaar, to be held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November between 2-4pm. More details will come soon regarding requests for donations, but in the meantime, the PTA are looking for names of parents who would be prepared to host an advertising board at their property. The boards, similar to estate agents' 'For Sale' signs, will be put up 2 weeks before the event and taken down shortly after and are usually placed somewhere at the front of the property. As a thank you for hosting a board, all names will be put into a hat to win a bottle of champagne, so if you are able to help then please contact the PTA via chairfobfs@vahoo.com



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# 3PR launch - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October



Our new parking initiative will launch next Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. We look forward to giving out lots of tokens which will contribute to individual class totals and determine the first parking cup winner. We have had many parents sign up for the 'Park and Stride' option at Asda and this is still available as an option - please see the office for how to register for

this. Full details on the project are to be found in the information sent to you last week.



#### Harvest Foodbank appeal



Linking to Harvest, we are collecting food donations this half term for the Chelmsford Foodbank run by the Trussell Trust. This organisation aims to help families and individuals in need in a very practical way, free of charge. The following items are suggested as ideal products for donating:

Tinned vegetables Tinned Soup
Tinned fish Tinned potatoes
Tinned meat & meat pies Tinned fruit

Tinned rice Instant (powdered) potato

Instant (powdered) custard Biscuits

Tinned sponge puddings Cartons of fruit juice

Cartons of UHT milk Jam

Squash Tinned vegetables

Items should be non-perishable (tinned and dried goods), which do not spoil or decay. All items should be unopened, in date and in good condition; it is forbidden by law to give away food which has passed its "use by" date. Please send them into school with your child or leave them at the office before the end of half term.

#### PE Uniform

Please can children be reminded that black shorts should be worn when taking part in indoor PE (dance and Gym.) Plain black tracksuit bottoms can be worn for outdoor PE when it is cold.



#### Book Fair coming to school

The Book Fair will be coming to school from Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November in our Barn. Please drop in after school to browse for a new book for your family and help the school at the same time.







#### Pobble publishing again!

Following the setting up of the new classes, we are up and running again to publish your child's work on Pobble. All parents should have received an email invitation to set this up on their computer at home. We will then alert you when your child's work is celebrated on this safe and successful school literacy website. Please check your inbox junk or trash folders as some invitations have ended up there.PE

### Star of the Week Hall of Fame



6MS Madysen Raza

6C Jake Maton

65 Oscar Hhier

5M Jackson Lonsdale

5V Daniel Knight

5C Jake Jenner

4P Samuel Morton

4S Lily Frost

4CK Evie Sharpe

3SG Reuben Barry

3HM Aviv Sharp

3B Amber Game

#### **Key Dates**

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Oct Flu Immunisations

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Fri 27<sup>th</sup>Oct Half Term

Mon 30<sup>th</sup>Oct Non-Pupil Day 2

Tues 31<sup>st</sup> – Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov Book Fair

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov** School Photographs

**Sat 4**<sup>th</sup> **Nov** Family Photographs

Weds 8<sup>th</sup> Nov Islamic Cultural Day

**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** Book Fair arrives

Class 5C assembly

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Nov Class 4S assembly

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov** Children in need dress down day (details

to follow)

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov Class 3B assembly

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** FOBFS PTA Winter Bazaar

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec FOBFS PTA Winter Craft morning

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper

day in aid of Save the Children

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec End of term

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan Non-Pupil Day 3

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan Pupils return to school



