

Attendance
97.4%

FINAL EDITION for 2017-2018!

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Stars of the Week

6th July 2018



Summer Term 2018



6C Harry Lester
6MS Charlotte Johnson-Marr
6S Edward Ripton
5M Theo Dafter
5V Hannah Mohammed
5C Kazuma Evans
4P Maisie Dean
4S Lily Frost
4CK Elizabeth Hutchinson
3SG Jack Horncastle
3HM Amalie Hollidge
3B Luca Peters

Stars of the Week

13th July 2018



Summer Term 2018



5M Jackson Lonsdale
5V Joseph Milton
5C Lilia Eldridge
4P William Maddison
4S Lewis Wood
4CK James Oriol
3SG Nancy Smith
3HM Jack Engwell
3B Jamie-Leigh Hughes-Ellis



Display
Evening
images
from
earlier in
the term



Message from the Headteacher

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our whole school community a safe and enjoyable summer break. We are greatly looking forward to welcoming our new Y2 cohort as well as wishing our existing Y6 cohort well in their future ventures in secondary school and beyond! This academic year has seen a further rise in achievement across the curriculum whether that is in the pupils' SATs results (available at <https://www.barnesfarmjuniors.co.uk/website/test/32871>) which continue to perform significantly above the national average in all areas or in the quality of learning demonstrated across all yeargroups. I would like to pay tribute to our entire staff and Governors who work tirelessly to ensure that our pupils enjoy school, feel safe and make progress in their learning.

Miss Butterworth is leaving the school after fulfilling a fixed term placement. She is moving on to work at another school in Wickford. I would like to thank her for dedication to Y3 over the past two years as well as her guidance of different subject areas within the school.

There are a number of staff who have supported particular pupils within the school to support them with their needs. As the pupils are leaving, these staff are moving on too but we would like to extend our thanks to Mrs Sillman, Mrs Walsh and Mrs Tachauer.

We are also wishing Mrs Grantham and her family well as she begins her maternity leave in August - thank you for the additional work you have undertaken in 3SG this year!



Ross McTaggart - Headteacher

Summer Reading Challenge and Homework activities

Extreme Reading Challenge

Where is the most extreme place your child has ever read a book? Whether it is up a tree, on top of a mountain or standing on their head, we want your photos! Over the summer holidays, encourage your child to read in an unusual place. Take a picture of your child reading somewhere extreme and send it to reading@barnesfarm-jun.esssex.sch.uk. Children can vote for their favourite photo when we return to school in September. *This was a suggested activity for World Book Day which a few of our pupils participated enthusiastically in but we would like to encourage all of our pupils to take on this challenge.*

Please remember to keep safe; we wouldn't recommend reading in the jaws of a crocodile! We are really looking forward to seeing what our extreme readers are getting up to over the summer holidays! Happy Reading!

Don't forget the Essex Summer Reading Challenge too at your local library. You will have received information about this on Monday 16th July.

Attached to this email is also the 'best-homework-ever' sheet with some suggested activities to share with your child over the holidays. These are not compulsory - but any outcomes can be brought in to be celebrated in September.

We all love a postcard so it would be great to receive any postcards from any of your Summer destinations.

Finally - keeping our core maths skills revised is important too. Log on to Times Table Rockstars to try and improve your response times!

FOBFS PTA news - Summer Fete



Thank you to all those who supported the Summer Fete on Friday 6th July by either attending or sending in donations. The event raised £1300 which both schools are delighted with. Huge congratulations need to go to the Friends of Barnes Farm Schools for their work in organising and running the event in very hot weather!

Schoolgames Award news



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year (and the second year running).

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust, to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.



Bronze medal winners. Children from Year 5, competing at Falcon Bowls Club.

Gold medalists! Winners of the mixed year 3 football competition. Congratulations!



Barnes Farm silver medalists. Year 5 and 6 pupils after



competing in the girls' league final. Congratulations on a very successful season.

Y5 dance group photo from Tuesday night's performance in the 'Gotta Dance' festival at the Civic Theatre.



Growing at BFJS!



The class sunflower growing competition was won by 6S. Well done on all your nurturing.

We need more volunteers to help keep our Garden area going in the Autumn. Can you commit to an afternoon every two or four weeks on a Monday to help develop our Garden area to flourish? Contact the office to register your interest.



Non-Pupil Days 2018-2019

04/09/2018 29/10/2018 03/01/2019

04/01/2019 24/05/2019



**Y6 Adventure Week on the Isle of Wight and at the Science Museum
9th - 13th July 2018**