

Barnes Farm Junior School



NEWSLETTER

Attendance 97.5% New Winter Menu Week 2 beginning 5th November

No 8 Thurs 1st Nov 2018

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Stars of the Week 19th October 2018



Autumn Term 2018

Y6 Lexie Mitchell

Savannah Kemp

Daniel Knight

Y5 Joseph Mizon

Lillie Romero-Boyle

Ava Lambert

Y4 Vivaan Mittal

Rithvik Siripurapu

Thomas Doggett

Y3 Harry O'Connor

Maisie Beecham

James Carter

Key Dates

Thurs 1st Nov Y4 Parent Information Meeting 6pm

Mon 5th Nov Flu Immunisations

Weds 7th Nov Y5 Parent Information Meeting 6pm

Thurs 8th Nov Y6 Parent Information Meeting 6pm

8th-**9**th **Nov** School Photos

Mon 12th Nov Joint event with Infants to mark 100

years since the end of WW1

Weds 14th Nov Y3 Parent Information Meeting 6pm

Thurs 15th Nov Class 5C Assembly 9:00am

Thurs 22nd Nov Class 4S Assembly 9:00am

Thurs 29th Nov Class 3H Assembly 9:00am

Weds 19th Dec End of Autumn Term

Mon 7th Jan 2019 Pupils return for Spring Term



The Chelmsford Foodbank were very grateful for the school's Harvest donations sent over this week







Home Learning Half Term Projects

Thank you to all the families who have sent in the outcomes of their home learning half term projects. The staff have been overwhelmed by the quality and engagement you have shown to producing these. Teachers will be picking out some particular examples to share with the whole school in an assembly next week which the parents of those pupils selected will be invited to.

Here are some recent examples:









#Remembrance100 Special Event



Y6 pupils will be selling poppies in aid of the Royal British Legion from tomorrow onwards. This will be in the run up to our special event on Monday 12th November to mark 100 years since the end of World War One. Both Barnes Farm Schools are delighted to be welcoming the Mayor of Chelmsford, Councillor Yvonne Spence, in the afternoon to a collaborative event between both schools where we will be jointly singing a remembrance song, unveiling a new friendship bench to be used by both schools and laying wreaths. There will also be an assembly informing the children about the significance of the event.

Ross McTaggart - Headteacher







My Life as a Window - A week of Special Writing

This week in all the classes, our children have been writing on a shared theme of 'my life as a window'. We will use the outcomes to share across the school, include in displays and publish on Pobble for parents and other pupils around the world to see. Please ask your child what they decided to write about and how well they think it went. We are excited to read their creations.





Parent Information Meetings

We are offering an opportunity for every parent to attend a group information meeting with their child's classteacher over the coming weeks. This is in addition to the parent consultations planned for January and April 2019 but there is no need to book. This offer will enable us to further improve the communication between home and school and will be an opportunity to clarify any shared expectations. Children may attend but are not obliged to. The evening meetings should last about 30-45 mins and all begin at 6pm on these dates:

Thursday 1 st November	Year 4
Wednesday 7 th November	Year 5
Thursday 8 th November	Year 6
Wednesday 14 th November	Year 3







Healthy School day SUCCESS - Friday 19th October



With the help of our 4 health champions - Captain Kinetic©, Agent Lifestyle©, Nutrition Ninja© and, of course, Mindset Warrior© (from the Children's Health Project) the children were taught about how to further develop their understanding of how to support healthy bodies and healthy minds during a Healthy Schools morning. The school funded the day but received charitable donations from parents towards the Children's Society totalling £158. Thank you.

It was a fantastic morning with children working together in house groups ranging from Y3-Y6. Activities included making chocolate energy balls, learning British sign language, pledging lifestyle changes and thinking of people who inspire us.







After School Clubs

We take the safety of our children very seriously. If your child will not be attending a club that they are registered for before or after school, please let the office know directly so that we do not waste time making unnecessary phone calls to chase these absences from clubs. This will free up time to make the required phone calls for absences we have not been informed about.





Items available

We have a number of unwanted items at the school which might be useful for someone within our community. If you are interested, please contact the school office on 01245 467973 to arrange collection. Any donations welcome as a result:



- We have 5 'heras' fencing panels available to collect which interlock.
- Various sections of wood which may be suitable for landscaping or chopping for firewood (some left!)
 - Some trolleys previously used for laptops





Do you have a child in Y2 or know someone who has?

Year 2-3 admissions for September 2019

The process for Year 2 to 3 transfers has changed for Year 3 admissions into junior schools for September 2019; parents of current Year 2 children at an infant school need to make a formal application to the Council and can do so via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

The junior admission round opens on **Monday 12 November 2018**, for parents of children to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2019.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2019**.

From 12 November 2018, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Community News

Essex Music Piano Tuition

We have some spaces available for keyboard tuition to build on the three confirmed already. If you would like to find out more - please contact the school office.





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Squirrels, hedgehogs, foxes, birds & badgers absolutely *LOVE* pumpkins so don't bin yours after Halloween, take them to the bottom of your garden, the local woods or park? Imagine how YOU can be a wildlife HERO by helping them & not adding to the rubbish thrown away. Do it and you become a true WILDLIFE HERO for FREE.

