



Barley Lane Newsletter

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"Believe in yourself, Learn together, Persevere and Succeed"

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers

Spring term has come to an end! The children have worked extremely hard, with many exciting curriculum topics and extra-curricular opportunities across the school. Some highlights of the term for me have included our dancing, singing and artwork showcased at the Winter Arts Festival, a wide array of sporting events, science week and world book day. Most of all, I have enjoyed visiting children in class throughout the day and speaking to them about their learning.

Thank you to all who responded to our parent survey. We will report on the results early next term. You may have noticed that our school [website](#) has been refreshed this week. We hope it is easier to navigate and the new design helps you to find exactly the information you need.



Sadly, it's time to say farewell to our wonderful office manager, Miss Quadling. Today is her last day after seven years at Barley Lane and we will miss her very much. We thank her for her energy, enthusiasm and caring nature. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her all the very best with her move to another part of the country!

I hope you all have a restful and peaceful Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 23rd April.

Best wishes

Mr Henry



Easter Assemblies



This week children in KS1 and KS2 enjoyed our annual Easter assembly by the **Christian Education Project**. We listened to the Easter story and learnt about why Easter is important to Christians. Here are some things the children shared after the assembly:

"Easter is a special time for Christians. People cheered with thin plants (palms) when Jesus came." Mahel 1CH

"Jesus said someone is going to hurt me and put me on a cross." Diaymar 1CH

"When Jesus entered Jerusalem, people greeted him by waving palm leaves because they didn't have big banners back then. I found that really interesting." Fajar 4A

Barley Lane vs Goodmayes Primary

On Wednesday Year 6 played their first 7-a-side match against Goodmayes Primary School. Barley Lane played really well and it was a great match. Sadly a Barley Lane victory was not meant to be for this game but we will look forward to the next one.



Year 1 Teddy Reading Time

Next term, Year 1 classes will be holding parent reading sessions called 'Teddy Reading Time' The sessions will start from the week beginning 29th April 2019. Year 1 teachers would like 5 different parents per week from each class to attend the session in to read a story to the children at 3.00 pm. This will help children in year 1 to develop a love for reading and answer questions related to the text. The children are welcome to bring in their favourite soft toy. During the sessions teachers will be present and advising parents on how to engage the children. There will be a sign up sheet outside your child's class. Please put your child's name next to the convenient date. If you have any questions please talk your child's class teacher.



Autism Awareness Week

World Autism Awareness Week runs from April 1 to 7, with people across the UK working to highlight autism. Autism is a lifelong disability that affects how people communicate and interact with the world. We have discussed how we are all the same but different and we should be kind to everyone in our lessons, activities and assemblies. For more information please look at www.autism.org.uk. Our SENco, Mrs Pierson, held some special assemblies this week to raise awareness.



Clubs - Online Booking

After the Easter holidays, clubs led by school staff will be available to book online. You can book your child's place on a club by using the same link used for parents evening. Booking of Zumba & karate will remain the same.

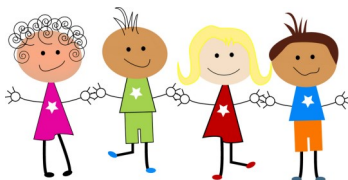


Adult Behaviour in the Playground

We are very fortunate at Barley Lane that incidents of inappropriate adult behaviour during pick up and drop off in the playground do not occur very frequently. However, we were sorry to hear that some parents and children were caused distress by an incident of aggression which occurred in the playground on Tuesday morning before school.

Please be assured that we will not tolerate verbal or physical abuse of staff, regardless of their position, at Barley Lane. Parents/carers who behave in this way will be dealt with accordingly. Depending on the severity of the incident, this could range from a verbal warning from a member of the leadership team to a written warning from the Headteacher. The school will not hesitate to liaise with the local authority to withdraw permission to enter the school site, should further incidents occur.

All children, parents and staff deserve to be treated with respect and courtesy at all times. Thank you to the very large majority of parents who model this behaviour to their children at all times!



Tooth Friendly Nursery Scheme - Reminder

Our nursery has signed up to the Tooth Friendly Nursery Scheme which involves working with nursery staff, the children and parents. They will be coming into school on Friday 26th April to work with the children and meet parents to discuss the importance of brushing their teeth. Free toothbrushes will be given out at the parent session.



For morning nursery children, the parents meeting will be at 11am in the Junior Hall and for afternoon nursery children, the parents meeting will be at 2.45pm. We hope you will be able to attend.

Y5 Science Museum

"On Wednesday, Year 5 went to the Science Museum. The trip was very enjoyable and it was an amazing opportunity to learn about space.

We also went to the 'wonder lab' which was fun. There were all sorts of things to do such as playing with liquid nitrogen. Overall the trip was very enjoyable and I think Year 5 would love to go again!" Abiha 5L



Thank you to the large number of parents who accompanied the children on the trip. It could not have happened without your support.

Summer Dates for your Diary

April

23rd Summer Term begins
26th Coffee morning 9 - 10am
Nursery Parent Tooth workshops
29th Year 4 Colchester Zoo trip

May

1st Dr Bike - Reception & Year 1
6th Bank Holiday
13-17th KS2 SATS Week
24th Coffee morning 9-10am
London History Schools Day
(Non Uniform)
27-31st Half Term



June

18/19th Y1 Visit to Southend
21st Fun/Bounce day (PA Event)
24-26th Y6 Residential
24th Y3-4 Sports Day
26th Yr1-2 Sports Day
27th EYFS Sports Day
28th Y5-6 Sports Day
Coffee Morning 9-10 am

July

5th EYFS Reports home
11th Parent Open Evening (15:45-17:00)
16th Year 6 production
19th Last day of School
Coffee morning 9-10am



Dates are subject to change.

Term dates 2019-20 are available on our [website](#).



Dr Bike will be here on Wednesday 1st May 2019 at Barley Lane Primary School for Reception and Year 1 pupils

Bring your bike along for a **FREE SAFETY CHECK**. Expert bike mechanics will be on hand to assess what needs doing, adjust anything minor and advise on bigger jobs.

wheels · brakes · gears · tyre pressure · lights · racks · pedals · saddles

If it's a quick fix, we'll do it there and then. If it's something more complex, we'll advise you on what's needed, where to go and about how much to expect to spend.

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The following children have received a special certificate or postcard from Mr Henry for their effort at school this term.

Well done everyone!

Athiha	2Q	Tyler	4F
Daniil	2W	Eiliyah	4F
Catherine	2W	Safiya	2W
Iman	6C	Zayan	2W
Isa	5L	Ramsey	5M
Eesa	4SL	Billy	5J
Juhmanah	4SL	Anjana	2Q
Farwah	5J	Tanusha	2Q
Sara	5J	Uzair	2Q
Kaiya	5J	Ilyaa	2B
Haider	3A	Buthin	2M
Jay-Jay	3A	Dennis	2B
Safiyyah	3A	Imtiaz	2B
Aadhi	4SL	Juliet	2B
Saifya	4SL	Hamzah	3P
Ajaz	3S	Ihab	2M
Saeed	5L	Jasmeen	2M
Lisandra	4A	Arifa	2M
Falak	6C	Chetan	2M
Zahra	4A	Kelsey	Yellow
Joe	3A	Amelia	Yellow
Hrishan	3A	Sofia	2M
Nishant	4A	Sharwathah	2Q
Taana	Green	Zara	5J
Dawud	Green	Ahmed	5L
Amirah	3A	Ammar	5H
Yuvraj	5L	Imraan	2B
Harry	5L	Isam	2Q
Zainab	5L	Daniel	2Q
Kashvi	3S	Atiya	2B
Shereen	5H	Rayyan	1R
Joshika	1B	Abdulhannan	3A
Ahmad	3B	Zayd	Blue
Ann	5L	Manal	4R
Ruthwik	2B	Sujay	4R
Atiya	2B	Sara	4R
Isaac	6R	Samaira	4R
Ryan	3S	Carlos	2B
Kiran	4F	Umar	2B
		Abdul	1B
		Roshini	1B
		Advik	Blue
		Imran	1B
		Sarika	1R
		Eesa	1R
		Sumaiya	1R
		Neha	1R



London History Day

London History Schools Day will be on **Friday 24 May 2019**. This year the themes will be 'Celebration' and 'Local Culture' supporting the Mayor's wider #LondonisOpen campaign to show that London will always be open to the world and to celebrate our culture and diversity. We invite our children and teachers on Friday 24 May to dress up as their favourite Londoners. There is plenty of time to get creative!

Attendance

Week commencing 1/4/19 - 93.61%

KS1 - 1CH 98.08%

A warm welcome to Arush who has recently joined our school.

Storytelling in Reception

One of our year 5 pupils has been creating her own stories about fruit and vegetables that come to life. Over the past few weeks, Zara has been reading her stories to the Reception classes. The children have loved listening to them and keep asking when her next book will be finished! Amelia and Kelsey (Yellow Class) have been inspired to become authors and illustrators. They made their own books at home and have enjoyed sharing them with their class. Well done! Thanks to Zara for being an inspiration to the younger children.



St Georges Day

St George's Day in England remembers St George, England's patron saint. The anniversary of his death, which is on April 23, is seen as England's national day. According to legend, he was a soldier in the Roman army who killed a dragon and saved a princess. We will be celebrating St George's Day with classroom activities on the first day back after the Easter break, 23rd April.



Stop norovirus spreading this winter

Norovirus, sometimes known as the 'winter vomiting bug', is the **most common stomach bug** in the UK, affecting people of all ages. It is **highly contagious** and is transmitted by contact with contaminated surfaces, an infected person, or consumption of contaminated food or water.

The symptoms of norovirus are very distinctive – people often report a sudden onset of **nausea** followed by **projectile vomiting** and **watery diarrhoea**.

Good hand hygiene is important to stop the spread of the virus.

People are advised to:

- Wash their hands thoroughly using soap and water and drying them after using the toilet, before preparing food and eating
- Not rely on alcohol gels as these do not kill the virus

An infection with norovirus is self-limiting and most people will make full recovery in 1-2 days. It is important to keep hydrated – especially children and the elderly.

Do not visit either A&E or GPs with symptoms as this may spread the virus.

Further information and advice is available from NHS 111, including an online symptom checker at nhs.uk.

