

"Believe in yourself...Learn together...Persevere...Succeed"

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Newsletter Week Ending 20th October 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATE HEADTEACHERS

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a successful half term with children settling into their new classes well. Parents evening was very well attended and we appreciate the time that you have given over this half term to support your children.

Lots of exciting things have been happening in school: Year 4 had a successful visit to Hadleigh Country Park and Year 1 had an amazing time making toys as part of their workshop.

All children from Reception to Year 6 benefitted from a visit from the Happy Puzzle Company. The problems were challenging but really encouraged higher level thinking.

Over the holidays, please could we remind you of the importance of reading with your children daily. It is also important to talk to them about what they have read, asking questions to further their understanding.

We wish you a relaxing half term break, and wish a Happy Diwali to all families celebrating.

Children are back at school on Monday 30th October.

Mrs Ballantyne and Mrs Knight

CONDUCT AT SCHOOL

The safety and security of our pupils, staff and visitors is our highest priority. At no time will we tolerate rude, violent or abusive behaviour. Visitors including parents behaving in this way are likely to be removed from the premises and prosecuted. If you have a concern or issue about your child please discuss this with a member of staff and do not approach other parents directly.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDER

In order to safeguard the children it is important that you only enter the school via the office. Please do not enter the school from the playground doors, even if it is to look in lost property. Thank you for your co-operation.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

If your child is sick (vomiting, temperature or diarrhoea) at home or in school and is sent home, please keep them at home for **24 hours** to avoid possible spread of infection even if your child feels well enough to return.

Wherever it is possible a parent should administer medicine at home. If it is **essential** that your child takes medication during the school day then the following safeguards should be observed when the school accepts responsibility for the administering of medicines to children:

- * A Med 1 form must be completed. This is available either on the website or the school office. No medication will be given without this form.
- * The medicine should be delivered by the parent, **not the child**, to the School Office
- * The medication should be clearly marked with the child's name, class, the time it must be taken and instructions regarding dosage.

If your child requires medicine three time a day, we advise that you as parent/carers administer this yourself, prior to school, after school and then at bedtime. Depending on why your child may require medication four times a day, the school in certain circumstances will administer medication

but only ones that have been prescribed by your doctor; however this is on an individual basis and should be discussed with the office prior to this arrangement being made.

WALK TO SCHOOL POSTER COMPETITION

Children walking to school has a big impact. It is not only a healthy way of travelling to school but also reduces congestion around school.

Design a poster to encourage pupils to walk to school.

Prizes include water bottles, bicycle lights and bells.

Use a blank sheet of A4 paper to do your poster design. Your design needs to contain a key message E.g. Walking and scooting is good exercise - it keeps us healthy and is good for our hearts.



Include your name and class on the back of your poster.

COMPETITION DEADLINE: Hand your poster to the school office BEFORE Thursday 2nd November 2017

EMAIL COMMUNICATION

After the half term holiday all communication will be sent via email. All letters will also be available on the school website. There will be <u>NO</u> newsletter sent out as a paper copy. If you have not already notified us of your email address we would appreciate you do this as soon as possible. It is your responsibility to check your emails and the school website regularly to keep in touch with school news and events.



SCHOOL DINNER PAYMENT REMINDER



Please make sure all dinner accounts are paid in full before the half term and ensure there is sufficient credit for meals when the children return from the holiday.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be coming into school on Tuesday 7th November to take photographs of individual children and their siblings. Please note we are unable to include siblings that do not attend the school. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform on the day.



SIKH TRIP—CHILDREN YEAR 2

We have organised a trip for the Year 2 classes to visit the local Gurdwara in Goodmayes on Wednesday 1st November 2017. This visit will form part of our religious education curriculum. The focus of our visit is to learn about how Sikhs celebrate Diwali.

2W & 2N will be leaving school after the morning registration. 2B & 2D will be leaving school after afternoon registration. We will walk to the venue. Children will be provided with a vegetarian snack while they are at the Gurdwara. However, children will still eat their lunch at school

Please ensure your child wears a warm waterproof coat and comfortable shoes. If possible, please provide your child with something to cover their head such as a scarf or bandana (not a hat or cap). If you are able to accompany year 2 on this trip, please speak to the class teacher.

HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL



Hello,

Our names are Sukleen and Erion and we are Barley Lane's new Head Boy and Head Girl. We are delighted to have been elected by children in Year 6. We are looking forward to improving the school and co-operating with the Senior Team. Thank you!



ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance for last week was: 94.79%

Best Class Attendance

Foundation & KS1: 1Q 100%, 2N 100% KS2: 4J 99.67%

