



***“Believe in yourself...Learn together...Persevere...Succeed”***

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## Newsletter Week Ending 6th October 2017

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

The start to the school day continues to be extremely successful. We would like to thank both parents and children for their enthusiasm in getting to school on time!

The Senior Leadership Team have looked at school data and have started to construct the School's Development plan.

The main priorities that the school will focus on throughout this year are:

1. To promote enjoyment and a love of reading to improve attainment and progress in reading across the school
2. To raise the attainment and progress of boys writing, especially in Years 1 and 2
3. To develop children's speaking and listening to become confident speakers, using the correct grammar
4. To improve the provision for our children with Special Educational Needs

We will give you more information over the coming months.

We really appreciate the support that you will give to your children and to the school to become even better!

### YEAR 6 QUESTIONNAIRE

To Parents of Year Six children;

It is tradition for Year Six to take part in a residential visit during their time in Year Six. We would like to gather your views before we plan a visit. Please follow the link to complete a very short survey on line:

<https://goo.gl/gstMY2>

### SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES

Have you applied for your secondary school place? Please remember that the deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> October. Go to [www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions) to apply.



### HARVEST FESTIVAL



We are still taking food donations for our Harvest Festival assemblies next Wednesday. All food and toiletries donated will be taken to Redbridge Foodbank.

### APPOINTMENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Where possible please arrange for your child's medical appointments to be taken after school or during the school holidays. We do know how difficult it is to arrange some of these appointments but if you are able to assist with this we would be grateful. If an appointment does need to be made during the school day please inform the school office in advance and notify the class teacher in writing on the day of the appointment. All appointment cards must be shown when collecting your child. This will avoid any delays to you when you are collecting your child.

### INFORMATION FOR YEAR 2

Year 2's Design and Technology project this term is playgrounds. Year 2 have explored playgrounds and designed their ideal playground. Children will be making their models using junk modelling. We would like your child to bring in a shoe box, and junk modelling material such as kitchen rolls, cereal boxes, egg cartons and yoghurt pots.

Parents of children in 2W are invited to their class assembly on Thursday 19th October 9.05am.

## INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school for their set PE days. PE kits will be stored on their cloakroom pegs. If your child does not have their PE kit, they will not be allowed to participate in our PE lessons. PE days are:  
Yellow class: Tuesday and Friday  
Green class: Tuesday and Friday  
Red class: Tuesday and Wednesday  
Blue class: Monday and Tuesday

Children must also have a spare set of clothes in school. This will be kept on their cloakroom peg. We provide water and snacks, so we kindly ask you not to send any snacks or water bottles from home.

Cooking money is due, please can you pay your cooking money, as soon as possible - via ParentPay as we need sufficient funds to proceed with our cooking lessons for your children. £18 for the year or £6 per term.

Please ensure that your child brings their book bag to school every day with their reading packs. We are happy to introduce 'show and tell' to your children, where they are invited to bring in something from home (it can be a toy, drawing, or something they have made) to share with the class. Your child can bring in 1 item for show and tell each week. This will encourage great speaking and listening skills.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

## FIREWORK SPECTACULAR— SATURDAY 4th NOVEMBER

Barley Lane Primary School Friends Association are holding a Fireworks Spectacular on **Saturday 4th November 2017**. Tickets are priced at £5 for adults and £3 for children. Gates open at 6pm, with the display starting at 7.30pm. If you buy your tickets early there is a special early bird price of £4 for adults and £2 for children. Tickets will be on sale from 16th October by the Nursery. You need to buy your tickets in advance and not on the door.



If you are willing to have an estate agents board at the front of your house please text the following number for more information: 07941688007. Every board generates £8 for the school.

PLEASE HELP US TO MAKE OUR 21ST FIREWORK DISPLAY A SPECIAL ONE!



## HAPPY PUZZLE COMPANY- RECEPTION— YEAR 6

Children at Barley Lane Primary School will have the opportunity to participate in a range of activities to improve their personal learning and thinking skills, maths, logical reasoning and team skills. The Happy Puzzle Company will come to school and run a workshop around these skills on 17 and 18 October.

They will encounter a variety of challenges, most of which will be solved in a few minutes, but which require collaborative learning skills with careful strategic planning in order to find a solution. It will teach perseverance and how to overcome difficulties by approaching problems from different perspectives.



For this, we ask that each child pays £2 towards the cost of the session. Please pay online using ParentPay. The Payment item will be called Happy Puzzle. If you do not have access to the internet, please come to the school office and speak to Ms Kaur.

After school there will be an opportunity for parents and carers to purchase games and puzzles in Room 17. **Payment is by cash only.**

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We raised a fantastic **£467.68** at our Macmillan event this week. Parents, staff and children all joined in enjoying cakes and refreshments. Photographs will be on our website shortly. A huge thank you for your support!



## ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance for last week was: 95.89%

Best Class Attendance

Foundation & KS1: 1Q 98.89%

KS2: 4J 100%, 4R 100%

