



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

## Newsletter Week Ending 15 September 2017

### MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATE HEADTEACHERS

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to wish a very warm welcome to our new Nursery and Reception children and their parents and also to the several new children joining us across the school. We hope that your time at Barley Lane will be enjoyable and fun and will create lots of happy memories.

The term has got off to an amazing start. Children are keen to learn and look very smart in their new uniforms. Thank you for following the Uniform policy when you have been buying new clothes. If you haven't put your children's names in yet, please remember to do this, as we have already gathered a lot of lost property.

Already some children have been experiencing fun and exciting lessons across the school. We held a Roald Dahl workshop for Year 4 yesterday, which the children loved; Year 5 have started their swimming lessons and Year 1 have been getting familiar with their newly resourced outside area.

Year 6 young leaders and peer mentors have started their work at lunchtimes and are already proving to be true leaders with younger children. Thank you.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Ballantyne and Mrs Knight



### PARKING

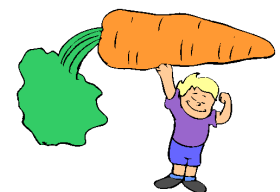


Please may we remind families that dropping off and collecting children is the busiest part of the day. Please ensure that you park appropriately and not in the middle of the road, across residents' driveways/dropped kerbs, in disabled parking bays and especially not on the zig zag lines. Please also be respectful to other road users and pedestrians.

### CHILDREN'S PACKED LUNCHES

Although we have wonderful school caterers, we know that some children prefer having packed lunches from home. It is important that the packed lunch you provide is healthy and nutritious. Below are some guidelines to help you provide healthy ingredients in your child's packed lunch:

- ◆ Bread, rice, pasta or potatoes
- ◆ Beans, pulses, eggs, fish, meat or cheese (or any other dairy alternative)
- ◆ Fresh fruit, vegetables/salad
- ◆ Yoghurt, jelly or rice/corn cakes
- ◆ Sugar free drink which should not be fizzy.



It is not good to have chocolate, sweets, crisps, cakes or biscuits in a packed lunch as they are packed with sugar and/or fat.

**“Somewhere inside all of us is the power to change the world.”**

*From: Matilda written by Roald Dahl who would have been 101 this week.*

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Information has already been sent home about clubs for this term and there has been a great response! Football and Table Tennis club are now full, so any slips that are returned will go on a waiting list. We do still have some spaces available in the following clubs:

Netball and Rounders are for years 4 to 6 and take place on a Tuesday. Please return your slip if you would like to attend.

More clubs will be happening soon, such as Art, Cricket and Gardening Club.



## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT LESSONS



We have specialist teachers who come into school to teach children from Year 3 to Year 6 how to play musical instruments. Your child could learn the piano, guitar, violin, brass or woodwind instrument. If you would like your child to learn to play an instrument, please write to Mrs Warry expressing which instrument, your child's name and class. If there are spaces, Mrs Warry will contact you and go through the process and cost. If there are no spaces currently, your child will go on a waiting list and you will be contacted when a space becomes available.

Spaces are currently available to learn piano and guitar.



## CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Each class will prepare an assembly to show both parents and the rest of the school. We will try and give you as much notice as possible.

Class assemblies start promptly at 9.05am. If you arrive once it has started, you will not be allowed into the hall. Latecomers disturb the children and can put them off. So please arrive in good time.

If you do come to watch, please ensure you switch your mobile phone off.

## SAVE THE DATE

Just another reminder that Parent's Evening is due to take place on Wednesday 11 October 2017 after school. Further details will be given out nearer the time.

## PARENT DROP-IN AND UNIFORM SALE

Every Tuesday morning between 9.00 and 10.00am, the School's PTA holds a Parent Drop-In in the Technology Room, where you can meet other parents and also purchase school uniform. You can access the Technology Room from the Junior playground. If you are purchasing school uniform, you can only pay by cash.

## MUNCHIES

Munchies is our school snack shop at playtime for children in Year 1 up to Year 6. They can buy healthy snacks for 20p per item. Each child is allowed up to 2 items. Where possible, please send your child to school with the right money; either 20p or 40p.

Munchies offers a range of healthy snacks such as: fruit, yoghurts, crackers, rice cakes, raisins and small bag of cereal.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

This is an important reminder for all parent/carers of children in **Year 3**. If your child has a school lunch, you will now need to pay £2.20 per meal as Universal Free School Meals stops at the end of Year 2. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals please come to the School Office. Meals must be paid in advance and by ParentPay. The school no longer accepts cash payments. Should you have any queries regarding school dinners, please see Ms Kaur in the School Office.



***Have a relaxing weekend!***