

# **Barley Lane Newsletter**

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"Believe in yourself, learn together, persevere and succeed"

# **Safer Internet Day**

Safer internet day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and inspire a national conversation. Barley Lane will be participating in Safer Internet day on 5th February to raise awareness of our safety on the internet. We will have a discussion about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively!





# Athletics Competition at Forest Academy

On Monday 28th January we took 12 pupils to Forest Academy to take part in an Athletics Tournament. We had to take part in field events as well as track events

these included Standing Triple Jump, Long Jump, Javelin. We also had an obstacle race, over and under race, relay race and many others. Barley Lane did very well and should be proud of themselves for how well they did.

# 'The Elements' Art Competition

Some of our Year 5 children have created a fantastic 3D



model entitled 'A Drop in the
Ocean' which has been entered
into an art competition .
Mrs Adam, our art club leader
and Y2 parent, helped them to
create a piece of work which

focused on the elements. The model shows how we need to look after our planet and recycle were we can, to reduce the impact on our planet.

The model is currently at Cranbrook Primary school where it will be judged next week. Good luck Year 5!



# Year 6 Residential Trip (Current Year 5 pupils)

We are planning ahead to Summer term 2020 and would like to find out Year 5 parent views on a residential visit for when their children are in Year 6. The current Year 6 will be visiting PGL Windmill Hill , Sussex in June. Please access the online survey by following this <a href="Link">Link</a>.

Please complete the survey by the end of March, so that we can secure a booking and have an idea of how many spaces we will need. Once booked, we will be able to take deposits and set up a savings scheme to help manage the cost of such a visit.

## **Next Week's Assembly Theme**

Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Week

# **Holocaust Memorial Day**

Some of our year 6 pupils visited the Holocaust Memorial event on Monday morning to hear tales of those torn from their homes during WWII and up to the



present day. They were joined by war veterans, religious leaders, politicians, the Mayor of



Redbridge and pupils from a number of other Redbridge schools.

Choirs from the South West Essex and Settlement

Reform Synagogue and Ilford United Synagogue joined together in singing hymn Oseh Shalom.

It was a moving experience for all, and the children were fantastic representatives of the school.



#### **Parent Governor Election**

As you know we have 1 parent governor vacancy and we invited nominations from parents. We are delighted that we received 3 nominations. Therefore a ballot is now required. All the ballot information is being sent home today. Your child will bring home either 1 or 2 envelopes. Each parent has one vote. Please complete the ballot form by putting a X next to the person you would like to vote for. You need to return the folded voting form to the ballot box which is in the office reception area. Please do not send the forms in with your child. Thank you.

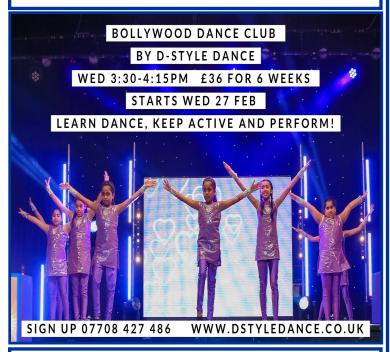
#### KS1 SATS Information—School Website

If you are a parent in Year 2 who was unable to attend this week's SATS meeting, the information is now available on the school website. You can find the powerpoint and the assessment framework by following this link.

## **Year 1 Phonics Workshop**

There will be a workshop for parents with information about the Year 1 Phonics tests on 14th February. It will be held at 8.20am and

repeated at 3.45pm.



#### **Attendance**

Attendance week commencing 21/01/19 - 93.37%

KS1 KS2

2B - 99% 5H - 98.67%



# **February Dates for your Diary**

#### **February**

4th-8th Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Week

5th Safer Internet Day

7th Year 4 National Gallery Visit

8th Winter Arts Festival

12th Year 5 Visit to St Pauls Church

14th Year 1 Phonics Workshops 8:20/3:45

18th-22nd Half Term

#### **Maths Week**

Maths week has been a great success; we have had crazy geometry



in Year 4, board games in Year 5, mocktails in Year 6 and time in Year 3.

We had a fabulous brainwave workshop earlier in the week and today we have seen maths inspired clothing across the school.



We have been reminded by Maths that all problems can be solved!

#### **Severe Weather**

Although the snow has not affected our learning this week, we thought it might be useful to outline our procedures in the event of a heavy snowfall when, for the safety of all, we may have to close the school. The factors we consider include the following:

- 1. Whether the Site Manager is able to clear a safe pathway for pupils to walk into the building
- 2. The number of staff who will be able to get to school to teach, supervise, cook etc.
- 3. Whether further snowfalls are forecast and therefore conditions worsen

Having considered the above, the leadership team will consult with staff and the site manager to reach a decision. In the event of the school closing, the following will happen:

- 1. You will receive a text message
- 2.Our school website will be updated with information
- 3. The local authority <u>website</u> and Twitter account will be updated with our school's name

If the snow is light and the roads are clear the school will open as usual.