

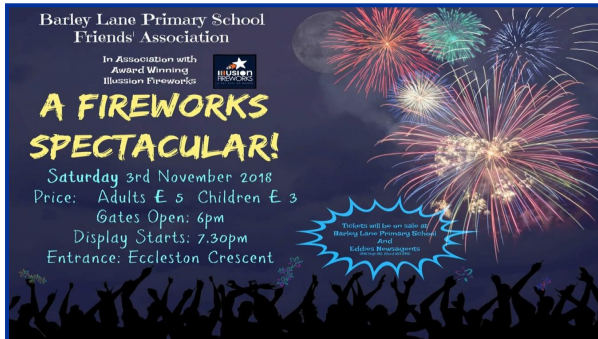


Barley Lane Newsletter

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

Firework Extravaganza!



We are really looking forward to our fireworks display tomorrow evening, **Saturday 3rd November**. **Tickets will be on sale on the gate**. The entrance will be on Eccleston Crescent. Tickets are £5 for adults, and £3 for children. There will be neons and refreshments for sale on the night. Thank you for your support!
Barley Lane Primary School Friends Association

Diwali

We wish our school community a very happy and peaceful Diwali celebration next week. It will form part of our assembly themes next week, along with the value 'Wisdom'. Year 6 children have been writing about Diwali from a Sikh perspective this week, as part of their RE topic.



Flu Immunisation



Flu immunisations for children from Reception to Year 5 will take place next Monday, 5th November. Please return the consent form even if you do not want your child to be immunised.

Be Safe Be Seen!

Now the clocks have gone back and the evenings are getting darker please make sure you are careful when out and about, and where possible wear brightly coloured clothes. Be bright, be seen!



Free School Meals = Free School Uniform



At Barley Lane Primary School, we want to make sure that we are providing our pupils with the best education and support we can. One of the ways we can do this is with our use of extra funding from central government. Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. If successfully awarded, the school receives funding that has a positive impact on the school and your children's learning. We use this to fund valuable support for these children with extra tuition, additional teaching staff focus and subsidising various school activities.

For further information as to whether your child/children are eligible for free school meals, please click [here](#).

If you apply for Free School Meals and are confirmed by the Local Authority as having been successfully awarded the entitlement, as a thank you, the school will provide you with a **voucher for £60 to purchase a brand new school uniform for your child**. The voucher can be used at our uniform shop, which is held by our Parents Association every Tuesday morning at 9.00 – 10.00 am. This offer extends to any family who has successfully applied for their child **since the beginning of this academic year**. Vouchers will be awarded once we receive official confirmation from the Local Authority. If you have already purchased a uniform this year, you could use your voucher to buy a uniform in a larger size, ready for when your child grows!



School Photographs

The school photographer will be coming on Tuesday 6th November. Please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform.

Black History Month

Black History Month came to an end this week. We have celebrated the month through assemblies, music and discussion. This week, KS2 pupils heard the story of Ruby Bridges, the first African-American child to attend an all-white school in the US. Children had lots of questions for Mrs Knight following the assembly.



Year 5 pupils, had a unique opportunity to meet Mr Chris Lubbe, Nelson Mandela's friend and former bodyguard through video conference.

The video conference was shared with children from another local primary school. Mr Lubbe shared his experiences of growing up in South Africa during apartheid, its journey to democracy and stories about his good friend Nelson Mandela. Pupils very much enjoyed all the stories and had many questions for Chris.



Although Black History Month has ended, our focus on promoting authors of colour and diverse books continues.

Poppy Appeal

We will be selling a variety of items to support the poppy appeal during break time next week.

Suggested donations are as follows:

Reflector 50p - Pencil Sharpener 50p - Ruler £1 -
Pencil 50p - Eraser 50p



Dinner Menu Change

There will be a change of menu on **Monday 5th November**, to celebrate Bonfire night.

The kitchen will provide a Firework Lunch; colour options and charges will remain the same. Please find the menu on the school website.



Dates for your Diary

November

6th	School Photographs
12th	Year 6 Gurdwara Trip 4F & 4SL Hadleigh Park Ancient Celts Visit
13th	4A & 4R Hadleigh Park Ancient Celts Visit
14th	Year 5 Tudor Day
12th-16th	Anti Bullying Week
15th	3P Class Assembly
16th	Children in Need Day (non-uniform, £1 donation)
19th/20th	Year 1 V&A Museum of Childhood Visit
22nd	3B Class Assembly
29th	4F Class Assembly

December

6th	1R & 1D Nativity 2 p.m.
13th	1B & 1CH Nativity 2 p.m.
17th	Yellow Class Nativity 9:30 am Blue Class Nativity 2:45 pm
18th	Red Class Nativity 9:30 am Green Class Nativity 2:45 pm Children's Christmas lunch
20th	Nursery nativities 11 a.m. / 2:45 p.m.
21st	Last day of term

January

7th	School closed for INSET
8th	Spring Term begins for children

Attendance

Whole school: 96.14%

KS1 - 2M 98.93% KS2 - 4R 100%



Balance Bikes - Nursery



Children in Nursery will be developing their cycling skills on balance bikes next week. Please return the consent form if you wish your child to take part.

Updated Policies

The following policies have recently been updated and are ready to view on the school website.



- Child Protection and Safeguarding
- Supporting Children with Medical Needs
- Code of Conduct for Governors
- Behaviour for Learning (further review in Spring)
- Anti-Radicalisation