



# Barley Lane Newsletter

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*Believe in yourself, Learn together, Persevere and Succeed*



## Need to Know

Dear Parents and Carers

We have reached the end of another busy term. Although this has been a short term, the children have enjoyed taking part in lots of exciting experiences across the curriculum. Meetings will take place at the start of next term to share information about your child's learning – details are in this newsletter.

Today we bid farewell to Mr Ahmad who has worked at Barley Lane since 2019. We would like say a big thank you to him for his hard work and enthusiasm and wish him well for the future. Mrs Srivastava will be teaching 6N next term.

Mr Henry will be back in charge next term. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support while I have been leading the school this year. Wishing you a peaceful Eid Mubarak and a Happy Easter!

Mrs Ballantyne

Acting Headteacher

## Dates For Your Diary

### March

Thu 28: Last Day of Term

### April

*Mon 15: Inset Day (school closed)*

Tue 16: Start of Summer Term

Wed 17: Parent Forum 9.15am & 4.30pm

Mon 22: Road Safety Show Year 1 & 2

Thu 25: Parents Evening 2-7pm (children finish 1.30pm)

Tue 30: 5B Class Assembly 9.15am (parents invited)

### May

*Thu 2: Polling Day (school closed)*

Fri 3rd: Road Safety Workshop Year 4,5,6

Mon 6: Bank Holiday School Closed

Fri 10: SEN Coffee Morning 9-10am

Mon 13: Year 6 SATs week

Tue 21: Parent Forum Meeting Junior Hall 5pm

Tue 21: Year 6 Citizenship Session

Fri 24: Last day of term

**Half term 27th - 31st May**

Click here for our [Term Dates](#) and [Events Calendar](#).

## Swimming Lessons - Year 5

Children in year 5 will begin swimming lessons after the holidays at Mayfield Leisure Centre. You should have already received an email with more information. Please give consent for your child to attend on ParentPay.com. The classes will go on the following days:



5B - Thur 10.30am

5T - Fri 10.30am

5M - Thur 11am

5HS - Fri 11am

## Online Meetings

After the half term, we will be transitioning from using Zoom to Microsoft Teams for our video communications platform as this comes in line with our software that we use at school. So please be sure to download Microsoft Teams on your choice of device and create an account for yourself so that you are ready to join us on your next school video call meeting. Thank you for your co-operation.



## Parent Curriculum Meetings

Dates of the summer term curriculum meetings are below. The meetings are an opportunity to hear about the children's summer term learning and how to support them at home. Log in details will be sent prior to the meeting.

**Tuesday 16th - Year 6**

**Wednesday 17th - Year 3**

**Thursday 18th - Year 1**

**Monday 22nd - Year 4**

**Tuesday 23rd - Year 5**

**Wednesday 24th - Nursery**

**Monday 29th - Reception**

**Tuesday 30th - Year 2**

The meetings will start at 4pm

**Today is the last day of term. School will reopen for children on Tuesday 16th April.**

## Nice to Know

### Cycling Events



Year 2,4&5 have learnt some new cycling skills this week. Some of the children practised their level 1 skills, learning how to use their signals brakes and gears correctly, and some of the younger children practised how to ride without stabilisers. They have had a great week.

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CONFIDENT**

As well as providing courses for schools, **Cycle Confident also offer free courses for children and families.** You can find further information [here](#).

### Reading Challenge



Well done to this term's reading challenge winners in EYFS and KS1. The reading challenge will restart next term.

### Library Visit - Year 1

Year 1 recently visited the Keith Axon Centre Library. Children learnt about how to join a library, had the opportunity to choose books to read in our story times at school and also enjoyed listening to a story. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who accompanied us. If you would like to join a local Redbridge library to enjoy more books, please follow the [link](#).



### Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have recently received an award from Mr Henry:



Mirhath - 3R	Syed-Ajer - 5T	Maryam - 6J
Mirthun - 3R	Advik - 5T	Jannat - 6J
Arisha - 3R	Munsib - 6C	Shafrin - 6J
Imarah - 3R	Zain - 6C	Rayean - 6N
Zakariya - 3R	Azmair - 6C	Asiya - 6N
Minsa - 4B	Tahera - 6C	Mehareen -6N
Saad - 4B	Jordan - 6C	Fiza - 6N
Nazafarin - 5B	Harvinder - 6J	Imran - 6N
Mariam - 5B	Alayla - 6J	Maryam - 6C
Haneesha - 5T	Mya - 6J	Ali R - 6N
Eesa - 6N	Manseerat - 6N	Mehareen - 6N
Haleema - 6N	Larisa - 6N	Vladislav - 6N
Josiah - 6N	Izhaq - 6N	Tanisha - 6N
Abdul - 6N	Saad - 6N	Ali K - 6N
Yusuf - 6N	Anas - 6N	Mahdi - 6N
Sanaya - 6N	Kainat - 6N	Deniz - 6N

## Eco News



Between 15th-31st March it is 'The Great British Spring Clean' and all the classes in Year 5 have worked this week with Lisa Keane from 'Keep

Britain Tidy'. They worked hard in the spring sunshine to remove litter from the school site that has blown in from the street. We all need to do our bit to keep our environment clean and safe.



Please find a link to the 'Beginner's Guide To Litter Picking.'



On Wednesday the school's eco-ambassadors, along with Mrs. Rogers and Mr. Boddy, planted some new trees and bushes that were awarded to the school by the Woodland Trust. We have fifteen new trees which will enrich our natural areas, helping to clean the air and provide habitats for the wildlife we have around school.

Barley Lane took part in the RSPB's Big School Birdwatch. We have lots of species of birds around our school, including parakeets.



The results of the Big Garden Bird watch, which some of you might have taken part in, have now been published by the RSPB.

This year's number one bird is the wood pigeon. Wood pigeons are the UK's largest and most common pigeon. They are found in the countryside, as well as towns and cities. Listen out for their repetitive cooing, which some people remember with the phrase, 'My toe hurts Betty!'

### Chess Tournament



The Chess Club children took part in a tournament last week to mark the end of term, and the trophy winners were:

**1st -Ajeesh 3K, 2nd - Makeda 4R,3rd -Laith 4R**

Well done to all who took part!

Reminders for Reception parents: Please remember to return your child's book on their reading day. Can you also provide a spare set of clothes for your child in case they need to be changed during the school day.



## Nice to Know

### Attendance & New Pupils



Welcome to the following children who have recently joined our school:

**Saharika, Anjum, Farshad**

Best Attendance week beginning 18th March  
2A - 100%, 1A - 98%, 4BM - 98%, 5HS - 98%, 6C - 98%, 6N - 98%

### Reception School Places – National Offer Day – 16 April 2024

National Offer Day is on 16th April. This is the date applicants who applied on time will receive the results of their application. This information will be sent by email in the evening on 16th April 2024.

## Make a difference

Volunteer with Citizens Advice Redbridge. We have advice, administrative, research and campaign and many more roles available

Scan the QR Code below or email [volunteer.support@citizensadviceredbridge.org.uk](mailto:volunteer.support@citizensadviceredbridge.org.uk) to find out more and apply



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Redbridge

Registered charity number: 04245530



### Essex Fire Museum Open Days

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024

10.30am to 4.00pm

(Last suggested entry time: 2.30pm)



Visits must be pre-booked via:  
[museum@essex-fire.gov.uk](mailto:museum@essex-fire.gov.uk)

Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station,  
Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS



## JUNIOR OUTDOOR CRICKET TRAINING

STARTING WEDNESDAY: 17/4/24  
(RUNNING THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER)

5PM-6:30PM

### VENUE

SEVEN KINGS PARK  
EPSOM ROAD  
ILFORD  
IG3 8QP

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### FEES

£5 per session or £40 for 10 sessions  
plus registration fee  
Advance booking only

QUALIFIED COACHES  
NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!  
AGES 8-19

U15 TEAM WILL BE PLAYING IN THE  
MEDCB U15 MIDWEEK LEAGUE



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A pair of blue and black framed child's glasses have been handed in. Please collect them from the school office if they belong to your child.



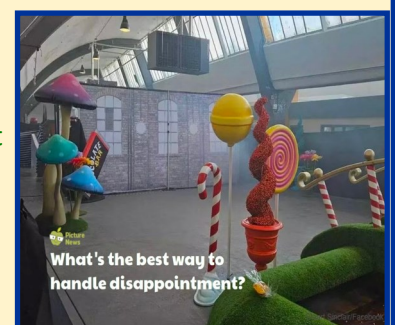
Find [fantastic free events](#) and activities are part of Redbridge 'We Can Create' programme. The projects are **designed and run by local groups**. There is something for everyone, from fabric design and a Lego club to photography, nature-based activities and a South Asian cultural festival.



## What's the Best Way To Handle Disappointment?

Many families travelled to Glasgow for an event that claimed to channel the magic of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. On its website, Willy's Chocolate Experience guaranteed chocolate fountains, performances by Oompa Loompas, and interactive experiences, with tickets priced £35 per person. Visitors were greeted by rows of large empty tables and empty spaces. Upon facing crowds of disappointed ticketholders, organisers decided to cancel the two-day event.

Things to discuss at home: Can you think of a time you were looking forward to an event or attraction and it wasn't as good as you hoped? How did you feel?



What's the best way to handle disappointment?

## Nice to Know

## Wizard Words



Our wizard words will restart after the holidays. Here are all our wizard words from this term for you to review and recap. What does each word mean? Can you read the words and put each word in a sentence?

<i>rhyme</i>	<i>continents</i>	<i>environments</i>
<i>similarities</i>	<i>pharaoh</i>	<i>conquer</i>
<i>endurance</i>	<i>redundancy</i>	<i>farmer</i>
<i>landmarks</i>	<i>extraordinary</i>	<i>devastating</i>
<i>undulating</i>	<i>legion</i>	<i>metamorphic</i>
<i>inhospitable</i>	<i>Chinese</i>	<i>seasons</i>
<i>omnivores</i>	<i>conditions</i>	<i>superlative</i>
<i>beset</i>	<i>predicament</i>	<i>purgatory</i>
<i>planting</i>	<i>emergency</i>	<i>remarkable</i>
<i>artefacts</i>	<i>meander</i>	<i>recline</i>
<i>capsize</i>	<i>deoxyribonucleic acid</i>	<i>roots</i>
<i>career</i>	<i>captive</i>	<i>impact</i>
<i>elusive</i>	<i>engineering</i>	<i>crevasse</i>
<i>pagoda</i>		

**Active Stars**  
managed by Vision Redbridge Culture & Leisure

**12 WEEKS TO BE A HAPPIER, HEALTHIER FAMILY**

Free, fun family-focused healthy lifestyle course for 4 – 11 year olds and their families.

Come along to access 12 weeks of healthy eating and lifestyle advice, healthy cooking sessions and behaviour change support along with fun games and physical activity sessions!

Let us help you create long-term healthy habits for your family to help you feel great and live your best life!

**For more information:**  
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Email: [activestars@visionrcl.org.uk](mailto:activestars@visionrcl.org.uk)

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## Autism Awareness Week

2nd-8th April is Autism Awareness week. If you would like more information on support available for your child you can register for a free pack or take a look at their [website](#).

**Understanding Autism Support Pack**

Register For Your Free Pack:  
[witherslackgroup.co.uk/understanding-autism-support-pack](http://witherslackgroup.co.uk/understanding-autism-support-pack)