



# Barley Lane Newsletter

28th February 2020 - Issue 21

*"Believe in yourself, Learn together, Persevere and Suc-*



## EYFS Climbing Frame



The installation of our new climbing frame in the Reception outdoor area is now complete, and the children are excited to be able to use it from next week. Could we ask that parents do not let their children play on the climbing frame before or after school; it should only be used with staff supervision.

## Al Noor Primary School Visit

Some Year 5 children visited Al Noor Primary School this week to mark Islam Awareness Week.



*"We went to*

*an exhibition at Al Noor this week. It was fun! There, we learned a lot about Islam and prophet Muhammed, and how Islam is similar to Christianity and Judaism. We had biscuits and juice which were very tasty! There was lots of activities to do, such as Arabic drawing, games and how to form the Arabic alphabet using play dough"* Siddhant & Amerah 5F

## Phonics Parent Workshop - Year 1

We will be delivering a phonics screening workshop for Year 1 parents on Monday 2nd March 3.45 - 4.10pm in the infant hall.

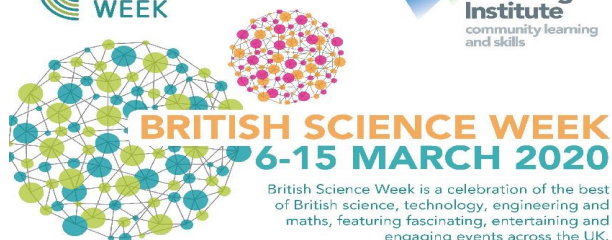
## Assembly theme

Next week's it's one of our school rules:  
Be Ready to Learn.

## Science Week Family Learning

We have limited spaces for our science week workshops for children and their parents/carers. The sessions will be held here at school.

KS1 - Let's explore science Animal Kingdom  
KS2 - Let's explore science Impact of Electricity  
Book your place at the school office.



British Science Week is a celebration of the best of British science, technology, engineering and maths, featuring fascinating, entertaining and engaging events across the UK.

**Free family learning workshops celebrating British Science Week**

### BARLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 9TH March 2020  
1.00pm-3.00pm

Let's explore Science—Animal Kingdom

WEDNESDAY 11th March 2020  
1.00pm-3.00pm

Let's explore Science—Impact of Electricity

- Free - book at school office
- each adult can bring up to two children
- adults must participate in all activities with their children
- children attending family learning courses must be 5 years old and over
- you will be asked to complete an enrolment form.



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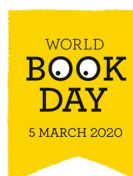


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## World Book Day

We look forward to seeing all your costumes for World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Some ideas for children in KS2 could be Oliver Twist, Willy Wonka, Alice in Wonderland etc. Key Stage 1 children could come dressed as characters from classic children's stories such as the Gruffalo, Elmer etc. Please do not feel obliged to buy expensive costumes - be creative at home! Bring your favourite book on the day!



## COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING DAY IN BARLEY LANE PARK!

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March Trees for Cities are hosting a free community tree planting day in partnership with the London Borough of Redbridge and Vision Redbridge Culture & Leisure to plant new trees throughout Barley Lane Park. Trees will provide habitat and food for urban wildlife and once established will provide bright splashes of colour throughout the seasons as well as helping to reduce pollution from nearby roads to improve air quality for local people!



### SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 10AM—3PM

We'll be starting at 10am so arrive for then to be sure to get a chance to plant some trees. Hot drinks, cakes and a hot lunch will be provided along with family activities and face painting.

Everything is free and all are welcome! Please sign up here:

[www.treesforcities.org/barleylane](http://www.treesforcities.org/barleylane)



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## Barley Lane Primary School Friends Association Newsletter

Registered Charity 1010637

14th February 2020

Many of you may have been wondering what has happened to your Association since the Fireworks last November. What happened to The Pizza Nights after school and The Christmas Discos? We did arrange Father Christmas to visit the school and give a small gift to all the children, but that was it. Our Chairperson was persuaded to continue until after the Fireworks, and we thank her for organizing another fantastic event.

**BARLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**  
Registered Charity No. 1010637  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
Thursday 12th March 2020 at 3.45pm In the Junior Hall

So, what is the Friends Association? We are parents, teaching staff and friends of Barley Lane Primary School. Over the years we have been a PTA and a PA. We all had one common goal, to "Provide and assist in the provision of such facilities or items for education (not provided from statutory funds) as the committee (with Consultation from Senior Leadership Team) shall determine."



Climbing Frame in the Infant Playground part funded by BLPFSA

To meet this end, we have held numerous events to raise money for the school. The Firework Spectacular and the Summer Fete were just two of the biggest events which involved the whole community. Sadly, we no longer have the Fete but a Bounce Day for the school. The school uniform shop is run by us. Pizza Nights and Discos were always a firm favourite with the children.



The BLPFSA donated a very generous £10,000 towards the library.

On Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, we will be holding an AGM. This is when we can appoint a new committee. If you can come to the Junior Hall for 3.45pm (children are welcome but cannot vote). We have a few members who wish to continue the good work, but we need a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and a Secretary. If you feel you can take on these roles, or just want to be on the committee and be involved, then come along on the 12<sup>th</sup> March.

For more information please email kevinwiles@aol.com. or text 07941688007

## Spring Dates For Your Diary

### March

- 2nd Year 1 Phonics Screening Workshop 3.50-4.10pm
- 3rd Space Workshop Year 5
- 4th Royal Albert Hall Concert—Choir Children
- 5th STEM Magic Show Reception/Year 1
- 5th World Book Day (*Non Uniform Day*)
- 9th Science Week
- 9th KS1 Animal Kingdom Workshop 1-3pm
- 10th 1A & 1R Colchester Zoo Trip
- 11th 1D & 1M Colchester Zoo Trip
- 11th KS2 Impact of Electricity Workshop 1-3pm
- 11th Year 6 Football team V Roding Primary 3.30pm
- 12th Class Assembly 5H 9am
- 16th Year 6 Football Team V Manford Primary
- 16th British Museum Trip 3A & 3H
- 17th British Museum Trip 3B & 3G
- 18th Spring Run at Fairlop Waters
- 19th Parent Consultation Evening from 2-7pm  
**(school closes 13.45)**
- 23rd Visit to St Pauls Church for some year 5 children
- 25th Parent Forum Meeting 9am
- 26th Class Assembly 3G 9am
- 26th Year 6 Football team V Goodmayes Primary 3.30pm

### April

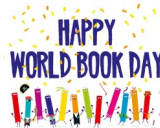
- 2nd Autism Awareness Day
- 2nd Basketball Trip to Mayfield School
- 3rd Last day of Spring Term
- 20th INSET Day

### May

- 7th Class assembly 3A 9am
- 7th Dental Checks for Nursery/Reception
- 8th Bank Holiday - school closed
- 20th Parent Forum Meeting 5.30 pm Junior Hall
- 21st Class Assembly 4N 9 am
- 22nd Last Day of Term



## Junior Library Family Time



The library will open after school from next Tuesday 3.30-4.15pm for Year 5-6 parents & children. A member of staff will be available for children who would like to change their books. Access via the main playground.

## Attendance

Attendance week commencing 10/02/20 - 93.61%  
Best Class Attendance: 1M - 98%, 4C 99%  
Welcome to the following children who joined us recently:

**Fanta, Aayan, Issan, Alexandru**

## Parent Consultations

School will be closing at 1.45pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020 due to Parent consultations, please make the necessary arrangements for your child to be collected at 1.45pm. The Online Parents evening booking system will open at 10:30 on Monday for you to book your appointment with your child's teacher.

## How important is it for us to know the weather forecast?



A supercomputer is to be developed to support the Met Office in a huge project to improve weather forecasting. The new technology is to be funded by a £1.2 billion investment from the government and will be managed by the Met Office. It is expected the computer will be the most powerful forecasting system in the world and will be able to offer more precise weather and flood updates.

### Things to discuss at home with your children:

Do you think it is important to know what the weather will be? Do you think that the weather forecasts at the moment are accurate?

