

Barley Lane Newsletter

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School Council Christmas Appeal

We are taking part in the Christmas Appeal for <u>Time FM</u> again this year. Time FM would prefer donations to their <u>GoFundMe</u> page this year, but Barley Lane will gratefully accept toys and gifts and deliver to TimeFM by Friday 16th December.



Outdoor PE

We are conscious of the colder weather and will be using our judgement each day in terms of outdoor PE lessons. PE is a national curriculum requirement and children have one outdoor and one indoor PE session each week. Unfortunately we cannot move indoors for both lessons as we simply do not have the space. However, children can wear coats if outdoors, we may shorten sessions or carry out some exercise in the classroom instead.





Free School Meals = Free School Uniform

We continue to do our best to support those families who are struggling during this Cost of Living Crisis. One of the ways we 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 which 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

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 being successfully award-

staff focus and subsiding various school activities.

ed 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*. 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!

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Warry via the school office.

Safeguarding at Barley Lane

We recently asked the Local Authority to carry out an external review of our Safeguarding procedures in order to ensure that our safeguarding practice is as effective as it can be. We received very positive feedback, with some strengths listed below:

- Safeguarding culture is positive and effective throughout the school and procedures are secure
- Leaders have ensured that safeguarding is given the highest priority across the school
- Staff are well trained and supported by DSLs to carry out their safeguarding responsibilities well
- Site security is effective and is part of the aspect of safeguarding that protects all children
- Inclusivity of the school is strong as is pastoral care
- The DSLs are highly experienced and are able to support other schools who are wishing to ensure their systems are rigorous and robust

1 DEC 2022 - 8 JAN 2023 Kenneth More Theatre Oakfield Road Ilford, IG1 1BT Book online at: vrcl.uk/aladdin Box Office: 020 8708 8800

Eco-Ambassadors Update

This week some of our eco ambassadors went litter picking on the school field, main playground and in the spinney. After just twenty minutes, they had filled a black sack with rubbish. We will be reinforcing to our children the importance of putting their litter in one of the bins provided.



Sustainability is one of our priorities on this year's <u>School Development Plan.</u>







Parent Coffee Morning

Thank you to the parents and carers who joined us for our coffee morning on Wednesday. We were also joined by four PCSOs from the Seven Kings Safer Neighbourhood team and Cllr Nav Johal. A range of items were discussed including concerns about Barley Lane Recreation Park, car theft, the increase in drug dealing and rough sleeping in the locality. Cllr Johal will take some items back to the council and hopes to provide an update on the current status of the Tesco Goodmayes development in the coming weeks.

If parents have concerns about safety or incidents we urge you to report them directly to the police on 101 or online, and Crimestoppers. This will give the local police and council more leverage to deal formally with issues arising.



*Yhristmas*JUMPER DAY

A reminder that Wednesday 14th December is Christmas Jumper (non -uniform) Day and the children will be having Christmas lunch.

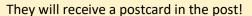
Redbridge Institute Family Learning Courses returns to Barley Lane!

We are so pleased to welcome our colleagues from Redbridge Institute back to BLPS for some family learning courses next month. The courses are completely free and will help you to support your child's learning at home.

Please call the school office to book your

Headteacher's Awards

Well done to the following children who have recently received a Headteacher's Award recently.



| Diya - Nur | Maryam - Red |
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| Yusuf - Yellow | Kenzo - Yellow |
| Kamari - Blue | Hanvika - Blue |
| Khadija - Blue | Monroe - Blue |
| Thivaani - 1A | Gurshish - 1M |
| Michelle - 1M | Marcel - 1M |
| Zaidar - 1M | Caleb - 2A |
| Dean - 2A | Sanjana - 2H |
| Sarah P - 2H | Sarah Q - 2H |
| Osman - 2W | Safwan - 3A |
| Alyaan - 3A | Zion - 3A |
| Francis - 3A | Minsa - 3A |
| Zoya - 3A | Chinaza - 3A |
| Aryan - 3A | Navraj - 3A |
| Ayub - 3A | Izzah - 3A |
| Aribah - 3G | Leen - 3M |
| Adnan - 3M | Mahijith - 4F |
| Raza - 4K | Ciya - 4K |
| Simrat - 5F | Mahel - 5F |
| Ela - 5R | Amari - 5R |
| Maryam - 5R | Mariyah - 5R |
| Eesa - 5T | Zainab - 6R |
| Mazedah - 6R | Amina - 6R |



Family Learning courses



Help your child with their **learning**

Keeping up with Children-English 5 Weeks-starting Monday 9th Jan23 at 1pm Keeping Up with Children-Science 5weeks-starting Thurs 12th Jan23 at9am Keeping Up with Children-Maths 5 Weeks-starting Friday 13th Jan23 at 9am

Taster session for Digital Skills Course— How to use basic computer, sending emails ,fill online forms etc.

Important: Only limited spaces available so hurry and reserve your place!!

To Book please contact: Barley Lane Primary School Reception Huxley Dr, Romford RM6 4RJ

www.redbridge-iae.ac.uk Call us on 020 8550 2398

enquiries@redbridge-iae.ac.uk



MEGONE

Attendance & New Pupils

Welcome to Zayn (2H) who has recently joined our school.

Best attendance 28/11/22 - 02/12/22

5R 99%

6M 99%

6N 97%







Road Safety Workshop



"In our road safety workshop, we did some work on how to be safe on the roads. We acted out scenarios, for example if you do not know whether to

cross the road, you should look, listen, look again and if it's safe you can cross! Another scenario was to not disturb the driver in case he or she looks back and needs to brake. After we rehearsed, we

acted out the play to the rest of year 5 and 6. The workshop was very enjoyable and we all learnt lots from it!"

Yamin and Mirayah 5R





First Aid Workshop

"In the first aid workshop, we learned important life skills.
A lady called Sue from the British Red Cross guided us

on how to deal with someone who has fainted or has a broken bone. We learned about how we could potentially save a person's life and debated about the five senses. The meaning of first aid is

'first help' which you can get before going to the hospital. We really liked this educational workshop and we thank our teachers for organising it' Julia and Sofia 5F



Barley and Huxley News!

Barley and Huxley, our school guinea pigs, are embracing the Christmas season! Barley is hoping for some baby cucumbers in his Christmas stocking whilst Huxley is



hoping for some mint to nibble on in his. We look forward to reading more in next week's 'Christmas Special' newsletter!



English for Women

Goodmayes



- Learn English
- Make friends
- Free

Pre-school children welcome (spaces limited)

St Paul's Church Barley Lane Goodmayes IG3 8XE (Atholl Road door)



- Thursday (school term-time only)
- 10am-12pm
 - admin@englishforwomen.org
- www.englishforwomen.org

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December Dates For Your Diary

Wed 14th "Lets Relax"

Parent session 9-11am BLPSFA

Thur 15th Habitats Workshop Year 4

Tues 20th Last Day of Term

Term Dates for 2022-23 be found here.