



Barley Lane Newsletter

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“Believe in yourself, Learn together, Persevere and Succeed”

We wish you all a restful half term break. See you on February 24th!

Dobby The Beagle Comes to Visit!

This week we welcomed Dobby the beagle into school - and what a big success he was! Some children from different classes were lucky enough to have a 'meet and greet' with him, they were all delighted to see him and he loved seeing them and was impeccably behaved. Well done Dobby! Dobby will be back after half term to meet more children.



Saloni from 6R said: *'When I met Dobby the beagle I was very excited. Dobby was very gentle and kind, I let him sniff my hand and he let me pat him. The dog was like our friend because we were not scared of him and he was not scared of us. I think Dobby is a good dog and he will make the school better as children who get sad can talk to him'.*

Dan in 6R said: *'I never had dogs before, so when I saw him I really liked him, he was cute. Someone from our group gave him a hug and a dog munchie'.*

Junior Library News

The library will be open **after school each Tuesday** next half term for Y5-6 parents and children. Access will be from the main playground.

Natural History Museum Trip - Year 5

By Aadhi & Nureen 5R

“This week year 5 went on a trip to the Natural History Museum. Our workshop was called Mission to Mars - we applied robotic skills to make a Mars rover using Lego. After this, we programmed our rovers using iPads to code them. We had to add different features, but we had to keep the weight less than 250 grams. Once we finished making our rovers, we tested them. We launched them on an epic martian landscape - we were scientists throughout the day! All in all, it was an amazing experience.”



EYFS Outdoor Area

Our Early Years outdoor area is being developed over the half term holiday and we are excited that we will be having a new climbing frame and soft surfaces in the play area.

We are hoping that the work will be complete by 24th February when we return to school, but if it is not, there will be signs to direct reception children to Blue, Red and Yellow class.

Winter Arts Festival Winners

Some of our Year 4-6 children and staff visited Cranbrook Primary School last week for the annual Winter Arts Festival. Barley Lane entered the art and choir competitions; the theme was War and Peace. The children had a



fabulous time meeting the Mayor, and we even won a silver trophy for our art entry! The art piece and trophy are on display for all to see.



Well done, and thank you to Mrs Adam who worked with the children on the Art Project and Mrs Agueralde for her work with our choir!

World Book Day



This year's World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March. In Key Stage 2 children will come to school dressed as book character's from the past, eg, Oliver Twist, Gandalf, Willy Wonka, Pippi Long Stocking, Alice in Wonderland etc. In Key Stage 1 children will come dressed as character's from classic children's stories such as the Gruffalo, Elmer etc. Also on the day children can bring their favourite book which will be used for discussion and other activities.

Parent Consultations

School will be closing at 1.45pm on Thursday 19th March 2020 due to Parents evenings, please make the necessary arrangements for your child to be collected at 1.45pm. The Online Parents evening booking system will open after half term, and further details will be sent giving you details on how to book your appointment online.

House Points

Well done to Buckingham Palace who won the most house points this half term.

Buckingham Palace – 1838

London Eye – 1816

Houses of Parliament – 1810

The Shard - 1514



Attendance

Attendance week commencing 03/02/20 – **94.69%**

KS1 - 2B 99.23% KS2 - 6C 100%

Well done to the children who received a certificate today for 100% autumn attendance.



Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following children who received an award from Mr Henry this half term:

Aleena 6C	Mir 6R
Tanusha 3B	Imran A 2B
Harnoor 3B	Shabham 6C
Muskaan 3B	Zainab 6C
Amirah 4C	Hamzah 4C
Ihtesham 5J	Rizwan 4N
Raffey 5J	Yasmin 4N
Amorae 5J	Neha 4N
Amirah 4C	Alessandra 5J
Samreen 1M	Tyler 5J
Adhav 1M	Khizar 2B
Eiliyah 5J	Sadad 2B
Ziya 5J	Atifa 2B
Patrick 6R	Minoshi 4C
Tereon 6R	



Spring Dates For Your Diary

February

- 24th School open for pupils
- 25th Al Noor Primary Islam Awareness Week Visit for some Year 5 children
- 26th Hockey Match at Redbridge Sports Centre

March

- 2nd Year 1 Phonics Screening Workshop 3.50-4.10pm
- 3rd Space Workshop Year 5
- 4th Royal Albert Hall Concert—Choir
- 5th STEM Magic Show Reception/Year 1
- 5th World Book Day (*Non Uniform Day*)
- 9th Science Week
- 10th 1A & 1R Colchester Zoo Trip
- 11th 1D & 1M Colchester Zoo Trip
- 12th Class Assembly 5H 9am
- 16th British Museum Trip 3A & 3H
- 17th British Museum Trip 3B & 3G
- 19th Parent Consultation Evening from 2-7pm (*school closes 13.45*)
- 25th Parent Forum Meeting 9am
- 26th Class Assembly 3G 9am

April

- 2nd Autism Awareness Day
- 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 5.30pm Junior Hall
- 21st Class Assembly 4N 9am
- 22nd Last Day of Term

COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING DAY IN BARLEY LANE PARK!

On Saturday 14th 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 14TH 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