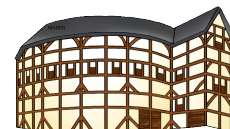




Barley Lane Newsletter

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

PTA Christmas Disco Update

Unfortunately our PTA volunteers have received no offers of help for the Christmas Discos since last week’s newsletter appeal. Unless we receive some parent volunteer offers, the discos cannot go ahead. They are scheduled for early December:

- 10th 16:00 - 17:00 Reception
- 10th 17:30 - 19:00 Year 3-4
- 11th 16:00 - 17:30 Year 1-2
- 11th 18:00 - 19:30 Year 5-6



Please consider giving some time, even just for one disco session, in order for the event to go ahead. Email ghazalajamil407@gmail.com with your availability.

Globe Theatre Trip

By Ryan & Insaq 5F

“On Monday we went to William Shakespeare's Globe Theatre. The Globe Theatre is the only building in central London to have a thatched, open roof! We sat where the audience would have sat in the Tudor times. The colours on the stage were vibrant because Shakespeare wanted to give the illusion of marble, but it was really just oak.

We also took part in a Macbeth workshop, we said lines from the play and acted them out - we went on stage and performed to other schools too. Our favourite part was going on stage and looking at the Globe in all its glory”.



Cycling Events

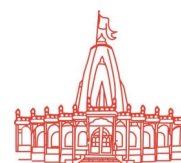


On Wednesday 27th November, Cycle Confident will be coming into school to teach some of our year 5 children basic bike maintenance. Lots of children wanted to take part in this course and as places are limited we have asked Cycle Confident if we can book some extra dates with them – we will notify you of these as soon as we can. Dr Bike is also visiting us on **Tuesday 26th November for children in Year 1 & 2**. Dr Bike will service as many bikes as possible and will advise if anything bigger needs doing.

Autumn Dates For Your Diary

November

- 25th Hadleigh Country Park Visit 4N & 4C
- 26th Hadleigh Country Park Visit 4S & 4A
- 27th Mandir Visit - 3B & 3A
- 27th Citizenship Trip Year 6
- 28th 5J Class Assembly 9am
- 28th Mandir Visit– 3H & 3G



December

- 5th 4S Class Assembly 9am
- 1M & 1D Year 1 Trip to Childhood Museum
- 6th 1R & 1A Year 1 Trip to Childhood Museum
- Parent Forum Meeting 9.15am
- 10th 1R & 1M Nativity 2pm
- 11th 1D & 1A Nativity 2pm
- 12th Election Day (school closed to children)**
- 13th Yellow Class Nativity 9:30
- Blue Class Nativity 2:45
- Nursery Nativity 11am & 2.45pm
- 17th Green Class Nativity 9:30
- Red Class Nativity 2:45
- 18th Christmas Dinner
- 20th Last Day of Term

January

- 6th School closed (INSET Day)
- 7th Children return to school



Gurdwara Visit

Year 2 went to visit the Gurdwara in Seven Kings this month. We learnt a lot about Sikhism and the history of it from a leader at the Gurdwara. We were even lucky enough to visit during Guru Nanak's 550th birthday celebrations. The community in the Gurdwara were very hospitable and even fed us chips and beans in the Langar(communal free kitchen)! It was an enjoyable and educational experience.



Tate Britain Project

Last year, our Year 3 pupils participated in a large-scale project in conjunction with Tate Britain and Steve McQueen. It has been described as the 'most ambitious contemporary art projects and visual portraits of citizenship ever undertaken, in one of the world's largest and most diverse cities'. The children were photographed at school and feature in the exhibition at Tate Britain, which opened last week and runs until May 2020. The children, who are now in year 4, will be visiting in January. Families are welcome to make their own trips to the gallery at any time!

**STEVE
MCQUEEN
YEAR 3**

Junior Citizen's Scheme – Year 6

Year 6 children will be going to the Ilford Army Reserve Centre on Wednesday 27th November for the Junior Citizen's Scheme. Please check you have given permission for them to attend. Children should be at school for 8.30am and bring a packed lunch.

Parent Forum

Our first Barley Lane Parent Forum meeting will take place on Friday 6th December at 9:15. Please click [here](#) for more details.

Curriculum News

We are proud of our curriculum at Barley Lane and have been working hard this term to ensure that your children have a broad and balanced 'daily diet'. Our staff work hard to ensure that the curriculum is exciting, engaging and memorable.



If you would like information about what we teach, please visit our website '[Curriculum](#)' area. Not only does it provide the termly topic overviews, but each curriculum subject has its own page, which explains our intent for that subject area, how we teach it, and how we measure the impact and success of our teaching. We hope you find it useful!

Online Safety

We are committed to keeping our children safe and to promoting the safe, responsible use of the Internet. We take online safety very seriously and we discuss these issues throughout the year with our pupils. We are currently updating our Online Safety Policy, which will be published [here](#) next week. In order to support all of our families, we have created an '[Online Safety](#)' webpage with lots of links, resources and copies of Digital Parenting magazine. This week's focus is on [Tik Tok](#), a social media app with an age restriction of 13 years. It is important that parents are aware of the risks involved in their children accessing such apps.

All National Online Safety we believe an empowering parents, guardians and trained adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe restricted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

TIKTOK

What parents need to know about

ONLINE PREDATORS
By default, users accounts are automatically set to public when they first create an account. TikTok encourages users to share creative expression through videos that they post publicly, anyone on the app can see their content. However, the UK government could access data or view public content through the app. If your child's profile is open, strangers can use the app to comment on your child's videos. While this category content, it gives potential predators the ability to contact your child through the app.

IN-APP PURCHASES
As with many apps, there's a paid element to TikTok. If you or your child want to buy virtual gifts for virtual gifts - for example, if they like a specific video, your child can use coins to purchase virtual gifts. These can be expensive and easily purchased. There is an option to buy 10000 coins for £99.99 with a one-click buy button.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
TikTok lets users lip sync to their favourite songs and produce their own music videos. Some of this music, chosen content, some words or sexual lyrics. In addition to this, some of the content and some of the comments are sexually explicit and provocative. There have also been reports of some users sharing inappropriate content, such as videos that promote alcohol, pills, self-harm and violence.

BEING INFLUENCED
More than one third of children aged 8-17 consider 'social media stars' to be among their top role models. There are tonnes of content on TikTok, featuring their talents, opinions and knowledge. It can be easy to become a fan and comment from around the world, quickly turning your child into a fan. There is a danger that children may develop unrealistic expectations of how they should look and behave on the app. It can also become like 'mean' if they have negative feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem or become aware of cyberbullying. On TikTok, there are always 'trending challenges' and hashtags that promote specific content. Sometimes these challenges can pose risks to your child.

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Top Tips for Parents

DISCUSS THE PITFALLS OF OVERSHARING
Encourage your child to always think before they post or share anything online. Explain that their digital footprint stays their own responsibility and the data they share can be used. Sometimes things being shared online can be used to identify your child. Talk about how their posts and pictures can be used by others to identify them. Remind them that they should never share anything they are not comfortable with. To ensure this doesn't happen, tracking your child's location in photos, make it clear to them that they should never share their location with others or a friend that gives away where they live.

HANDLING CRITICISM
When it's inevitable to see your child being criticised and/or cyberbullying, it's important to ensure they understand the reasons for this. Comments can be negative or even abusive. Make sure your child knows how to respond. Privacy and safety settings, your child can decide who can see their posts. When your child is being criticised, send them private chat messages. We suggest altering these settings so only friends can interact with their posts.

REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
If you or your child see any inappropriate content on TikTok, you can report it to TikTok. You can report it by tapping the 'Report' button on the video. If you're a parent, you can also report it to the National Online Safety. If you're a child, you can report it to the National Online Safety. If you're a parent, you can also report it to the National Online Safety.

USE A PRIVATE ACCOUNT
If you or your child want to use TikTok, you should use a private account. This means that only people you approve can see your posts. To set up a private account, go to your profile page and tap the 'Switch to Private Account' button.

SIGNING UP WITH THE CORRECT AGE
When signing up, users are prompted to input a birth date of at least 13. If you or your child are under 13, you should not sign up for TikTok. If you or your child are 13 or over, you should sign up for TikTok. If you or your child are 13 or over, you should sign up for TikTok.

USE THE 'DIGITAL WELLBEING' SETTING
If you or your child want to use TikTok, you should use the 'Digital Wellbeing' setting. This setting allows you to control how much time you spend on the app. To set up the 'Digital Wellbeing' setting, go to your profile page and tap the 'Digital Wellbeing' button.

DISCUSS IN-APP PURCHASES
To lower the risk of in-app purchases, you should discuss with your child what the app purchases are and how they can be used. If you or your child want to make a purchase, they should always ask you for help. If you or your child want to make a purchase, they should always ask you for help. If you or your child want to make a purchase, they should always ask you for help.

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Attendance

Week commencing 11th November - 95.04%

Best Class Attendance KS2 4A - 99.33%



Donations Welcome!

If any families have used picture books, chapter books, comics or magazines which otherwise would be thrown out, we would really appreciate them. It doesn't matter if they are a few weeks or months old. They would be put to very good use at Barley lane primary. Please drop them off to the school office!

