

Barley Lane Newsletter

4th December 2020 - Issue 7

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

Christmas Events

We are looking forward to our Christmas events! Here are some dates for your diary.

Monday 7th Dec_-Post boxes will be open for children to bring cards/gifts in for their own classmates/teachers only. We are unable to deliver cards to different classes/bubbles.

Mon 14th Dec - The class post boxes will be closed at 3.30pm. Cards and gifts will not be accepted after this date.

<u>Christmas Movies</u> - The children will be having a Christmas Movie afternoon. They can bring in a small snack e.g. popcorn, small bag of crisps to eat while they are watching the film.

Nursery - Wednesday 16th December **Reception** – Wednesday 16th December

Year 1 – Thursday 10th December

Year 2 - Friday 11th December

Year 3 – Tuesday 8th December

Year 4 – Friday 11th December

Year 5 – Thursday 10th December

Year 6 – Thursday 10th December



<u>Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day</u> - Please complete the survey sent by email this week, deadline is <u>9th Dec</u>. If you have not booked your child's meal by then they will need to bring in a packed lunch.

16th Dec - Reception, Year 1 & 2 **17th Dec -** Years 3-6

<u>Nativity</u> - Nursery & Year1 - Link will be sent to parents, date to be confirmed.

<u>Pantomime</u> - Virtual panto, The Big Foot, live from The Royal Hippodrome. Children will watch this with their classes. £1 donation to be paid via Parentpay.



Self-isolation and Remote Learning Advice for Parents

If your child is showing symptoms of COVID and is awaiting a test result, they will be able to access learning from home using the Oak Academy website. If they receive a negative result, they should return to school as usual.

If your child needs to self-isolate for a longer period of time due to a household member testing positive for COVID or showing symptoms, they will be able to access learning through Purple Mash using their given log-in. Daily activities can be accessed which link to work they would be completing in class. The teacher will be able to see completed tasks and give feedback. Please note that if your child is in school and chooses to access the tasks in their own time, the teacher can not respond individually to these.

Nursery and Reception will receive their Purple Mash log-ins from their teacher next week.

Our Remote Learning Policy can be found here.

If you have any queries in regards to the remote learning, please speak to Mrs Ballantyne, Deputy Headteacher.

Parent Survey and Parent Forum

We will be sending out our Parent Survey soon. We would appreciate if you could complete it by Wednesday 9th December.

Our Parent Forums will be taking place via zoom this half term on the following dates:

Mon 14th December: 10am: Year 5-6 Tuesday 15th December 10am: EYFS/KS1 Tuesday 15th December 11am: Year 3-4

If you have any agenda items for the parent forum, please email us

at parentforum@barleylane.redbridge.sch.uk. You may not receive an individual response, but queries will be added to our agenda. Login details will be sent next week.

Dates For Your Diary

December

7th Virtual Orchestra Workshop Year 6 7-11 Panto & Christmas movie afternoons

16th Reception/KS1 Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day

17th KS2 Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day

18th Last Day of term

2021

January

School closed (INSET Day) 4th 5th Terms starts for children

18th Bikeability Year 5 25th Bikeability Year 5

Fe<u>bruary</u>

2nd Big Sing For Mental Heath (Zoom) 2pm

15-19 Half Term

22nd Term Starts

School Closures 2021

Jan 4th **INSET Day**

Mar 19th Parent consultations (closes 13:45)



Bikeability- Year 5

We are pleased that we have been able to book extra sessions with Cycle Confident for Year 5 children. The course will now be Level 1 & 2, which means confident riders will be able to cycle on road.

New consent letters have been sent home this week, please return them as **CONFIDENT** soon as possible as places are limited.





Anti-Bullying Week Competition Winners

Thank you to all the children who submitted their competition entries whether it was a poster, a poem or an online submission. The winners will be receiving prizes. Well done to our Nursery children who made a fantastic friendship tree from their handprints!



The winners are:

Year 6

1st - Jarnila 6C

2nd - Maliha 6J



Year 5

1st Sharika 5H

2nd Amira 5R







No Pens Day Fun!

No Pens Day Wednesday

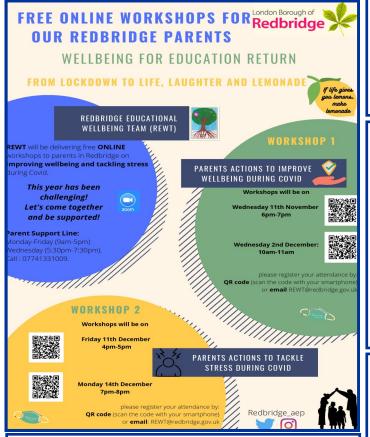
Barley Lane participated in a fun packed 'No Pens Day Wednesday' last week

to encourage our communication skills in class. Spoken language skills are fundamental for learning to read and write, managing emotions, developing friendships and entering employment.

Children and staff took up the challenge and had a brilliant day of drama, arts, games, maths investigations, music, science and more all without using a pencil or a pen!







Flu Vaccination

The school nurses will be back on 11th December 2020 to carry out any outstanding flu vaccinations.

If you previously gave permission for your child to have the flu vaccination, this will be carried out during that afternoon.

If you have any queries, please contact Mr Mercer in the school office.

Attendance & New Children

A warm welcome to the following children who have recently joined our school.

Miya, Azan, Keerathraj, Michelle, Nathan, Iqra

Attendance Week Commencing 16 November – 94.45%

KS1-2B-98.62%



KS2 - 5R - 99.66%

Attendance Week Commencing23 November – 93.63%

KS2 - 5R - 98.97%

Bicycle Storage

Our new bicycle rack has now been installed in the junior playground. Please make sure you lock your child's bike with a padlock. Please remind children that they should not play on the bike rack when they are waiting in the playground.

Redbridge LA Covid Information

This **week**, Redbridge schools (primary & secondary) have the following*:

- 49 schools with at least one positive covid case
- 160 pupils testing positive for covid
- 3542 pupils not on site due to self-isolation At Barley Lane, we have had 11 positive pupil cases this term. We currently have two bubbles isolating. *Source: Local Authority 1st December

'Lets' Sessions with BLSFA

This week we had so much fun 'Being kind to ourselves'. Next Tuesday we have a special session making cards, this will be our last one before Christmas but we hope to be back in the new year. You can keep up to date on what we have going on our FB page.

Song of the Month

Our December Song of the Month is 'Gather Round The Christmas Tree' - You can find it here