



Newsletter

05.12.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is lovely to see decorations going up around the school. This year we have been donated a wonderful Christmas tree by Greg from the Christmas Tree Farm in Barns Green. It is over 10 ft tall and simply getting it erected was quite the team effort. Thank you to everyone who has been involved with the procurement and erection of the tree. I am sure the children will love it!

This week I had the pleasure of accompanying Key Stage 1 to Itchingfield church to meet the new vicar. This was a lovely walk, if muddy. The children did amazingly well and thoroughly enjoyed the puddles. I was very impressed by our Reception children's knowledge of deciduous and evergreen trees which they spotted along the way. I know there were a few concerns regarding the distance prior to the walk. It just shows that we should never underestimate what our children are capable of! Their little legs carried them brilliantly.

I look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas events over the next few weeks.

Please do come and enjoy a drink and mince pie beforehand in the community room. Thank you to our new Friends of Barns Green for organising this.

Have a good weekend when it comes.

Mrs Newbold

Please keep an eye out for communication!

Christmas Jumper Day – Make things better in a sweater!

Friday the 12th of December we are inviting all children to wear Christmas jumpers to school. We are also asking that donations are made to Save the Children on this occasion.

Please follow the just giving link [Donate - Donation amount - JustGiving](#) or simply send your children in with a donation to school.



We are proud to support the official Christmas Jumper Day charity here at school



**1,400,000 PACKETS
OF DROUGHT RESISTANT
SEEDS**

to help families in Kenya
adapt to the effects of
climate change.



**280,000
SUPERMARKET
VOUCHERS**

to give children in the UK the
brain fuel they need to
thrive.



77,777 BABY KITS

helping families in Gaza
provide basic care for their
newborns.

A festive season?

Christmas is a special time, but we also recognise that it can be a challenging time too. We will work hard to ensure routine and moments of calm here at school. If you have any concerns or are finding things tricky, please do speak with us, we are here to listen, help and signpost where we can.

No Toys in School Please!

Teachers have asked me to request that toys, Pokémon cards etc. are not brought into school unless for show and tell reasons, unfortunately there is little doubt that these do cause a distraction in class!

Thank you

Thank you for ensuring that all children are coming to school with a coat, water and a fruit-based snack. I don't like to grumble but sometimes it can help!

Hopefully there will be less children in Reading Club this week too!

Tag Rugby training and trials

These will be starting for years 5 and 6 from Monday ahead of the annual Weald tournament in January. Please do send children to school with appropriate footwear and a change of clothes if they intend to take part. I hope to invite a number of year 4s at some point.

This is one of the best tournaments and I'm looking forward to a successful campaign.

Anti-Bullying Poster Competition

Thank you to all the children who took part. There were some super designs sharing an important message.

A special well done to the following children:

Runners up – George (Squirrel) and Juno (Squirrel)

Winning Entry – Amelia – (Otter)



Butser Farm Trip



Friends of Barns Green

Raffle tickets have been released so now's your chance to win one of 7 Christmas hampers packed full of all the goodies you need for a delicious festive season! The huge added bonus is that you'll also support Barns Green school to be well resourced for your child in the coming year!

Another easy way to support Friends of Barns Green to reach our first target (for outdoor shading and seating areas) is to use Easyfundraising for your Christmas shopping! You sign up using the link below and allow the pop ups on your device. It doesn't cost you anything as the retailer gives a donation. We currently have over £500 in the account from only 5 users so if everyone put their shopping and holidays through the site we could raise a lot!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/barns-green-primary-school-pta>



Dates

December

Tuesday 9th - 2.30pm Nativity (Dormouse and Hedgehog Parents and Carers invited)

Wednesday 10th - 9.30am Nativity (Dormouse and Hedgehog Parents and Carers invited)

Friday 12th - Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 15th – Fox Class WW2 learning celebration 2.45pm

Tuesday 16th - 2.30pm - Christmas concert - whole school (all parents/carers invited)

Wednesday 17th - 2.30pm - Christmas concert - whole school (all parents/carers invited)

Thursday 18th – Chartwells Christmas lunch

Friday 19th – Break up for Christmas holidays at 1.30pm

January

Monday 5th – Children back in school

Wednesday 14th – Yr 5 + 6 Tag Rugby Festival at The Weald (details to follow for selected children)

Monday 19th – Young Voices choir at the O2

Wednesday 21st – Yr 5 + 6 Talented Athletes event at The Weald (details to follow for selected children)

February

Thursday 12th – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

Friday 13th – INSET day (no children in school)

Monday 23rd – Children back in school

March

Friday 13th – Year 5 Bikeability session (details to follow)

Friday 20th – Class photos

Friday 27th – Break up for Easter

April

Monday 13th – Children back in school