



Barns Green Primary School

Newsletter dates

16.10.2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Its great to see everyone wearing red today, we are proud to share the message that all racism is unacceptable not only here but everywhere! I hope the children are enjoying participating in black history month. Much of our focus is to widen children's experience and understanding of the world beyond Barns Green and West Sussex and to prepare them for a future contributing to the diverse society we all belong to.

I have to say I was enormously impressed by the drumming workshop on Monday. It was so much fun, the children loved it, were incredibly attentive and the sound they made ricocheting throughout the school throughout the day. I hope they found this a truly memorable experience. We have built upon this to introduce the children to carnival which you will see (or perhaps become part of) next Friday at pick up time!

It is things like this and being with the children that remind me of what is special about our jobs in teaching. Things are not always easy. Not everything works the way we want it to but we are proud of our provision and the values we hold here at school.

Tracey Newbold



Pumpkins

We are holding our annual pumpkin celebration next Friday. Many thanks to the Friends of Barns Green who have provided prizes!

Next Friday (23rd October) we invite the children to bring pumpkin themed creations to school. We will position them outside of the classrooms ready for celebrations to be admired!

This year staff will also be taking part!

Please ensure you take your pumpkins home at the end of the day.



Crazy Hair Day

Following on from Guy Fawkes Night, Friday 6th November is crazy hair day at school! We are looking forward to seeing some wild and some spooky styles alongside normal school uniform! Please bring in a gold coin to support the Friends of the school!

Cross Country Preparation

We are excited to announce that Cross Country practise started today!

Sessions will take place on the Village Green during Friday lunchtimes and are open to all KS2 children who would like to take part. It's a great opportunity for the children to develop their running skills and run some further distances.

Please make sure your child comes prepared on a Friday with suitable footwear and comfortable clothing that is appropriate for running and the weather.

The children can sign up for the sessions on the sign-up sheet on Fox Class door.

Message from Christ's Hospital School

'We warmly invite your students and their families to our next Open Morning which will take place on **Saturday 6 March 2027**.

Please kindly share the following link with parents so they can book their places:

[Book an open morning - Christ's Hospital](#)

In addition to this, you can find a wealth of information about Christ's Hospital on our [website](#).

If anyone has any questions at all, please contact us at hello@christs-hospital.org.uk or give us a call on 01403 246555 where we would be happy to help.

We hope to welcome as many of your wonderful families as possible on the day.'



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Friends of Barns Green

Parent Governor Election - Deadline

The deadline to vote for our new parent governor is 9am on Thursday 22nd October. There are spare ballot forms in the office. Please vote!

Headlice

There has been a reporting of headlice in school. Please check your children for headlice and treat appropriately.

UMBRELLAS

Parent Support Groups

Autumn Term 2026

Connecting parents and carers of children and young people in West Sussex with special educational needs and disabilities



Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
The Cherry Tree Centre
8th Sep / 6th Oct / 3rd Nov / 1st Dec

Littlehampton Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)
9th Sep / 7th Oct / 4th Nov / 2nd Dec

Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Durrington Community Centre
22nd Sep / 20th Oct / 17th Nov / 15th Dec

Umbrellas Online

Thursdays via Zoom
7.30 - 9pm
10th Sep / 8th Oct / 5th Nov / 10th Dec

Horsham Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Horsham Family Hub
16th Sep / 21st Oct / 18th Nov / 16th Dec

Shoreham Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Adur East Family Hub
15th Sep / 13th Oct / 10th Nov / 8th Dec

Bognor Regis Umbrellas

Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Arun West Family Hub
24th Sep / 22nd Oct / 19th Nov / 10th Dec

If you would like more information about Umbrellas or the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact our outreach team.

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Thank You

Thank you to all staff and to parents who attended Wednesday's 6 weeks in meeting for Reception children. It is wonderful to hear about the super start they have made to education and be reminded of the exciting things they have to look forward to



Christmas Lunch

On Wednesday 16th December, your school will be hosting a Christmas Lunch for the children, provided by **The Easy Lunch Company**.

Menu

Roast Turkey or Quorn Fillet in gravy
Roast Potatoes
Selection of Vegetables,
Sage and Onion Stuffing
Gravy
Cranberry Sauce
Christmas Brownie

If you wish your child to have the Christmas lunch, please book online

www.theeasycompany.co.uk

(If your child is in KS1 and you do not usually have to book your meals because the school does – you do not need to do anything.)

Please ensure that you place your order by the deadline of 11.59pm on Tuesday 8th December.

No cash payments can be taken, and late orders cannot be accepted.

Paid Meal price is £3.20 for Years 3-6

If you are entitled to Free School Meals, you must still book online.

No Jacket potatoes or packed lunches are provided on Christmas lunch day.

Registered Special Meal requirements will be catered for accordingly.

Pudding on Thursday 17th December will be yoghurt instead of the advertised cake.

If you require any further information about the Christmas lunch, please call Emma at The Easy Lunch Company 01403 741177 or email emma@theeasycompany.co.uk

HAPPY CHRISTMAS! FROM EVERYONE AT EASY LUNCH



Dates

October

Thursday 22nd – Yellow photos – Individual and siblings

Fox Class assembly 2.45pm

Friday 23rd – Pumpkin celebration

Carnival Parade 3.10pm (children to wear PE kit with colourful accessories)

Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

November

Monday 2nd – Children back in school

Friday 6th – Dormouse and Hedgehog drop and read 8.45-9.15am (please come in and read with your child if you can)

- Crazy Hair day

Wednesday 11th – Parent/Teacher consultations

Year R 2027 Open morning 9.15-10.00am

Thursday 12th – Parent/Teacher consultations

Year R 2027 Open afternoon 2.15-3.00pm

Tuesday 17th – Dormouse and Hedgehog trip to Bocketts Farm

Thursday 19th – Year R 2027 Stay and Play session 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 20th – Horsham Christmas Showcase – Barns Green Performance Choir performing

Wednesday 25th - Year R 2027 Stay and Play session 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 27th – Dormouse and Hedgehog drop and read 8.45-9.15am (please come in and read with your child if you can)

December

Wednesday 2nd – Otter and Squirrel trip to the Weald and Downland Museum (letter to follow)

Thursday 3rd – Fox Class trip to Brighton (letter to follow)

Monday 7th – Rocksteady Christmas performance 2.20pm

Tuesday 8th – Nativity 2.30pm

Wednesday 9th – Nativity 9.30am

Friday 11th – Dormouse and Hedgehog drop and read 8.45-9.15am (please come in and read with your child if you can)

Monday 14th – Carol concert 2.30pm

Tuesday 15th – Carol concert 9.30am

Wednesday 16th – Easy Lunch Christmas meal

Friday 18th – Break up at 1.30pm

January

Monday 4th – Children back in school

February

Thursday 11th – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

Friday 12th – INSET day (no children in school)

March

Thursday 25th – Break up

April

Monday 12th – Children back in school

May

Monday 3rd – Bank Holiday

Friday 28th – Break up for half-term

June

Monday 7th – INSET day (no children in school)

Tuesday 8th – Children back in school

July

Friday 2nd July – INSET day (no children in school)

Wednesday 21st – Break up