



# Barns Green Primary School

Newsletter

23.01.2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It may perhaps come as no surprise that the highlight of this school week was our trip with 29 choir members to the O2 for Young Voices. What an amazing day, it is a number of years since I last attended and it is still such a memorable and awe inspiring experience for all involved. There were nearly 9000 children present, singing together to a live rock band. There was world class singing from a variety of artists, incredible dance, lights and sound. Nothing quite beats it.

It certainly was a full-on day, leaving school at 10am, we all enjoyed lunch together in Frankie and Benny's before the afternoon's rehearsal. The show began at 7pm and the children were delighted that so many of their friends and family could come along to share the experience. It truly was fantastic. Singing, dancing and cheering! Quite literally many of us were left with little voice.

We arrived home at 11:30pm after a diversion on the way and definitely slept well. I however woke with 'The Power in Me' still ringing through my ears!!

It is moments like these that help us remember that we really do have the best job.

Something to hold onto through this wet and miserable January!

Have a good weekend.

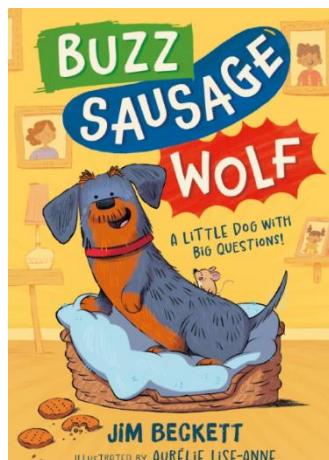
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## Author Visit

On Thursday afternoon the author Jim Beckett will be visiting school and working with children from R- year 4. Please do support this. He will be selling and signing books in the school lobby at pick up time!

Thank you to Steyning book shop for facilitating this event for our children.



## World Book Day

A special date for your diaries.

Ahead of this event we are planning a whole school focus on the stories of Roald Dahl. This will be in the lead up to Key Stage 2's visit to see the BFG performed at Chichester Festival Theatre and hopefully Key Stage 1's visit to see the Enormous Crocodile in Brighton.

We would like to celebrate World Book Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> March with a Roald Dahl Theme. His books are filled with so many wonderful and some disgusting characters and we would love it if the children and of course staff came dressed as these!

I look forward to seeing what everyone comes up with!



## Dates

## January

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> – Jim Beckett author visit Year R-4

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> - Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

## February

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Cross Country event at Christ's Hospital (selected children have been informed)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 and 6 Basketball Festival at The Weald (selected children have been informed)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – INSET day (no children in school)

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Children back in school

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

March

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Bikeability session (details to follow)

Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> - KS2 trip to Chichester Festival Theatre to see the BFG (details to follow)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Class photos

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – Break up for Easter

April

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Children back in school

May

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

June

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – INSET day (no children in school)

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Children back in school