



Barns Green Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The school has been a peaceful and productive learning environment this week, with children returning to school calmly after the half term break. I can see that many of you have been busy with homework projects and as always it is great to see such creativity on display throughout the school.

This term we are excited to have a whole school focus on Roald Dahl stories ahead of Key Stage 1's trip to the Theatre Royal to see The Enormous Crocodile and Key Stage 2's trip to The Chichester Festival Theatre to see the BFG. Over the next four weeks children will be engaged with a variety of activities and learning opportunities with these stories and a spark to their curiosity and imagination. Already the children are saying how much they are enjoying this work.

As we move further through the school year I am reminded once again to talk about the theme of resilience. At school we talk about resilience as the ability to keep going even when something is challenging. It is a skill that helps children grow not only academically but socially and emotionally too. This is something we continually refer to here at school through our school value of perseverance. It is at times something we recognise our children find tricky and need encouragement with. Together home and school can help children to embrace challenge, disappointment and setbacks with curiosity rather than fear and sadness. This is something to be developed over time as it is an essential life skill.

Thank you for your continued support and together let's encourage our children to be brave learners, prepared to have a go, try their best and manage setbacks when things don't go quite their way!

Have a super weekend – hopefully one without too many setbacks!!

World Book Day

A special date for your diaries – Thursday 5th of March.

We are all looking forward to seeing these amazing costume ideas following the Roald Dahl theme!

The children are already fully engaged with exploring these texts with great enthusiasm and I have seen some wonderful writing. Milly's in year 5 was especially special this morning.



Teaching and Learning Update

As I continue to review the Ofsted frame work we are focusing once more upon our primary objective - teaching and learning at school this half term.

We are proud of our ambitious curriculum here at school. Progress and academic achievement are important to us and our commitment towards this is demonstrated through our outstanding results.

Strong foundations in reading, writing and maths are essential. This is a theme that runs throughout the new framework. Here we focus upon the important concepts, teach effectively and use our assessment systems to inform next steps for children.

We are tireless in our efforts.

Again we encourage all families to support this commitment towards strong foundations. It is vital that reading happens regularly, children are supported to complete homework and times tables and number facts are learnt.

These strong foundations are so important and need to be in place early on. It is so much harder to catch up than keep up!

Let's Celebrate!

This week's Stars of the Week



Reading Leaves



Well done if you received a Reading Leaf or Star of the Week this week in recognition of effort or achievement!

Staff Vacancy

We currently have two Teaching Assistant vacancies. Please do speak to me if you think you may be interested.

We really are a wonderful team!

Easter Egg Hunt

This will be taking place once again this term. Please do let members of the PTA or ourselves know if you would be willing to help out.

We will once again be holding the popular Egg-stravaganza (design a scene involving an egg) competition this year.

More details to come!

Parent Teacher Consultations

The sign-up sheets for the Parent/Teacher consultations will be going up in the foyer on Monday afternoon. Mrs Newbold is available to meet on both days to discuss SEND or your child's progress. Please speak to Mrs Coxon if you would like to book a slot.

Book Fair – Monday 23rd – Thursday 26th March

Books will be on sale during the parent teacher consultations on the 24th and 25th March. The children will be able to browse the books during the school day.

Parents can now pay for books while they're at the Book Fair using a QR code which will be on display. Parents will be able to scan the code on their phone to easily access the Book Fair's parent pay website.

If you would like to buy any books please bring your mobile phones and credit/debit card to the fair as you will need both.

Please follow the link below to see some of the books available.

[The books - Travelling Book Fairs](#)

Dates

March

Thursday 5th – World Book Day (please come to school dressed as a Roald Dahl character)

Tuesday 10th – Messy Church in Village Hall after school

Thursday 12th – Reception Mother's Day afternoon tea 2-3pm

Fox Class assembly 2.45pm

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

Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

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

Friday 20th – Class photos

Tuesday 24th – Parent/Teacher consultations

Wednesday 25th – Parent/Teacher consultations

Friday 27th – KS1 trip to Brighton Theatre to see The Enormous Crocodile

Break up for Easter at 1.30pm

April

Monday 13th – Children back in school

May

Tuesday 12th – Messy Church in Village Hall after school

Friday 22nd – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

June

Monday 1st – INSET day (no children in school)

Tuesday 2nd – Children back in school

Tuesday 9th – Messy Church in Village Hall after school

July

Tuesday 14th – Messy Church in Village Hall after school