



Barns Green Primary School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope that you found last weeks report on your child's progress helpful. We are also looking forward to next week's parent/teacher consultations which will give you the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and development here at school in greater depth. You will also have the chance to look through your child's work which will be available in classrooms. We hope that you enjoy looking at this work and that you will be impressed with how busy the children and teachers have been! Please do factor this into your timing for the evening.

We are committed as always to working in partnership with you and believe it is vital to give an accurate and realistic picture of how your child is doing. If this partnership is working there should be few surprises! It is important that this partnership is ongoing throughout the year as we strive to meet the needs of all children here at school. Thank you for communicating with us too!

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mrs Tracey Newbold

Indoor Athletics

Well done to the large group of children from year 5 and 6 that Mr Griffin and I accompanied to The Weald Indoor Athletics tournament this week. We competed against six much larger schools from across the locality and Horsham. The children as always did very well with some excellent individual performances. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we came fourth place overall.

Book Fair

The travelling book fair is coming to school next week. Books will be available for viewing and purchase after school until 3:45pm on Monday and Tuesday and throughout the parents' evenings. A proportion of money spent goes towards new books for the school which of course is very helpful!

Swimarathon

Thank you to everyone for supporting the year 6 children with this endeavour. It is not too late to support this and I understand that links have been posted on the PTA Facebook and Class WhatsApp groups. Thank you and good luck to everyone involved!

Positive Feedback

It is always lovely to hear nice things and thank you to everyone who has taken the time to fill in their report feedback forms. A supply teacher told me just yesterday that she loves coming to our school and is amazed by how independently the children work through their routines.

Likewise Chartwells, the school dinner provider have told us that their relief staff 'fight to come to Barns Green because they like it best'

We do work incredibly hard to ensure that all children receive an excellent quality of education here at school.

Less positive news

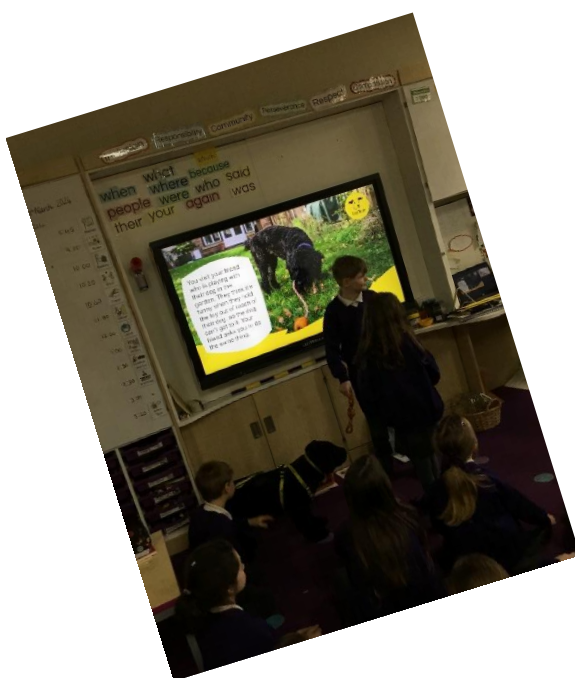
Sadly I cannot always be positive and I would like to draw your attention to a number of things:

- We are proud of our school uniform, please ensure children are wearing school shoes and not sports trainers on their uniform days. I have noticed a number of children wearing sports shoes throughout the day which is not acceptable. Black trainer type shoes without coloured logos are fine. Please can we also ensure that the proper school sports uniform is worn on PE days.
- Children are not allowed to have phones in school. This has always been the case and this policy has not changed. I do not intend to change this in the future for many reasons, not least safeguarding. It has sadly come to my attention that a small group of older children have had phones at school which needs to stop.

Thank you for your support with these matters.

Mrs Newbold

Thank you to Dog's Trust who visited the school this week and explained to children all about the very best ways to stay safe around dogs.





PTA Update

Easter egg hunt – Friday 22 March

We are thrilled to announce the eagerly awaited Easter Egg Hunt, taking place at Barns Green Primary School on Friday 22 March.

Get ready to spring into Spring with a fun experience for all the children, creating an opportunity for camaraderie amongst the students. A cherished annual event at Barns Green Primary School.

During the school day, children will have the opportunity to explore the school grounds in search of hidden (non-edible) eggs.

At the end of the day, each child will receive a small pack of sweets as a reminder of the enjoyment shared with their friends and classmates.

In addition, all children are invited to participate in an Easter-themed mufti day.

Don't miss out on this egg-cellent event!

Suggested donation of £1 per child.

Eggstravaganza – Egg decorating competition – Monday 25 March

On Monday 25 March, pupils are invited to bring in their egg decorating designs at school drop off.

Designs will be judged during the school day, with a winner from both KS1 and KS2. The lucky winner will win a prize for their design.

All designs to be collected at the end of the school day.

We hope you have fun getting creative.

Swimarathon

Stella, Fin, Ollie, Layla, Lukas and Noah are "Team BG", six young swimmers from Barns Green Primary School who will be taking part in a sponsored swimarathon on Sunday 24 March. They will be raising much needed funds for Barns Green Primary School PTA and Horsham Lions Club.

If you would like to sponsor our fabulous swimmers and help them reach their fundraising target you can do so via:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/swimarathon?utm_term=Ga4kPDXva

Thank you to all those who have generously donated so far, it is hugely appreciated.

March

Monday 18th – Choral workshop at Christ's Hospital
Year 1 + 2 trip to East Head

Wednesday 20th – Yr 5+6 Football tournament
- Parent/Teacher consultations

Thursday 21st – Parent/Teacher consultations

Friday 22nd – Easter Egg Hunt
Mufti Day – Easter themed

Sunday 24th – Swimathon

Monday 25th – Messy Church
Eggstravaganza – Prizes for winning egg designs

Wednesday 27th – 2.45pm Squirrel Class assembly for parents/carers

Thursday 28th – 10am Hedgehog Class assembly for parents/carers
Break up at 1.30pm for Easter Holiday
Chance to Shine cricket

April

Monday 15th – Children back in school

Thursday 18th – Fox class trip to Dell Quay
- Yr 3 + 4 Swimming lessons start

Wednesday 24th – Yr 1 + 2 Multiskills Festival at The Weald 1.30-3pm (details to follow)
- Squirrel and Otter trip to Pulborough Brooks

May

Wednesday 1st – Splash assembly

Friday 24th – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

June

Monday 3rd – Children back in school

Sunday 9th – Yr 5+6 PGL residential trip

Wednesday 12th – Children return from residential trip

Friday 28th – Sports Day

July

Monday 1st – INSET day

Tuesday 23rd – Break up for Summer holidays