



Barns Green
Primary School
Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to welcome the children back into school this week, I think that the Easter break did everyone a lot of good and there is a sense of enthusiasm and interest running throughout the school! Summer term is always such a busy term and we have lots to look forward to: school trips, the year 5 – 6 residential, sports day, to name just a few.

The classes have started working on their new topics Magnificent Monarchs, Tomb Raiders and Journey Back to Freedom. You will be receiving topic webs and knowledge organisers via email today, these will help you to understand what your child will be learning but also to talk about this learning at home. Discussing learning in the advance of children hearing about it at school and giving children opportunities to recap what they have learnt whilst in school are two vital ways you can support your child to succeed in learning and help their knowledge stick! If you would like paper copies of these please ask your child's teacher.

We do look forward to sharing your child's learning with you throughout the term.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Warm wishes

Tracey Newbold

Swimming

It was fabulous to resume swimming with our children in years 3 and 4 yesterday afternoon. Yesterday was an assessment session and the children were grouped to ensure that provision is tailored to their needs. Thank you to all parents who assisted with transportation, this has really helped to keep costs down which I feel certain everyone appreciates in these financially demanding times!!

Choir

We are delighted to be setting up a lunch time choir for enthusiastic singers from year 2 upwards. The Choir will be led by Mr Chalk from the West Sussex Music Service, he is a wonderful teacher who has lots of experience and expertise in this area. I feel certain the sessions will be fun and allow children to excel in yet another area. We look forward to performing to the school community as part of this.

Unfortunately there will be a small cost to these extracurricular sessions. We are hoping to run a program of 10 sessions at a cost of £2 per session. We would ask that children attend all ten sessions which will take place between 12-12:30 pm. The school will cover any remaining costs.

We will be sending out letters and speaking to the children shortly.

As always we are committed to extending our extra –curricular club offer and welcome both your and the children's support.

Head Lice

This is a polite reminder to check children for these and to treat children when they are discovered!

Fox Class School Trip

Fox Class enjoyed a wonderful trip to Dell Quay just outside Chichester on Thursday. A great opportunity to bring learning to life, sample fieldwork and explore links between the science and geography curriculums. As always I am proud to say that their wonderful behaviour and confident knowledge were commented upon.

PTA

It is with regret that it looks like the PTA will be looking for a new committee from September. I would like to thank the team who have run so many engaging events this year and encourage anyone who may be interested in taking over to speak to our current committee.

The PTA has such a vital role at school in raising funds to support children, this year alone they have raised funds for new playground markings, new books, wall art and school visitors. All of this serves to enhance our children's education. The school budget is exceptionally tight and we would really miss our PTA.

Walk, Bike and Roll to school day

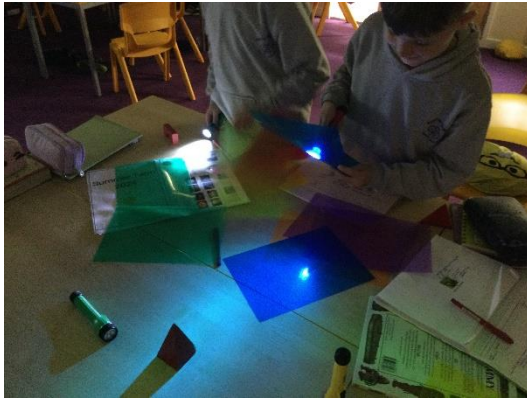
We are taking part in this event on the 8th May. On this day we would like to encourage as many children to come to school on wheels powered by themselves in order to promote healthier habits, a cleaner environment and to highlight the importance of safety.

In order to mark this day we will be planning some events in school including who's the slowest races and asking the children to wear brightly coloured clothing so that they can be seen and be safe!



Year Six Fieldwork

Otter Class exploring light



[PTA Update](#)

[Next meeting date](#)

The PTA are meeting on Wednesday 1 May at Barns Green Social Club. All parents, carers and teachers are invited to discuss ideas and make plans for the forthcoming summer term. We hope to see as many of you as possible.

[PTA committee](#)

From September 2024, the PTA will be looking to fill the posts of chair, secretary and treasurer.

The PTA play an important role in organising events throughout the school year and in turn raise vital funds for the benefit of all children.

If you are interested in taking on any of these roles, please express your interest to Jennifer Slater (current chair), Charlotte Plowman (current secretary) or email us at pta@barnsgreen.org.uk

Diary Dates

April

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

Friday 26th - KS1 Drop and Read session

May

Wednesday 1st – Splash assembly

- PTA meeting

Wednesday 8th – Walk, Bike and Roll to school day

Friday 10th - KS1 Drop and Read session

Friday 17th - KS1 Drop and Read session

Monday 20th – Messy Church

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

June

Monday 3rd – Children back in school

Messy Church

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