



Barnes Farm Infant School

Newsletter



Friday 19th July 2019

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 2 Performance

This week, the Year 2 children have performed two end of year performances to parents and carers. The performance which considered all the learning from the year was a delight to watch. The children were fantastic at singing, acting and dancing. The group have worked well as a team to bring the show together and this certainly came across during the performance – Well done Year 2.

End of Year Reports

Today, the children were sent home with their end of year reports. If you have any questions regarding the reports, please contact your child's class teacher. In the envelope, there are two separate sheets for parents to complete – one is a parent comment sheet and the other is for pupils in Year 1 and Reception. This second sheet is an information sheet that can be shared with the next class teacher. If these can be handed back to the current class teachers, it would be appreciated.

2019 Parent and Carer Summer Survey

It's that time of year again! I would really appreciate it if you have a few moments to spare to answer our 10 Survey Monkey questions. The survey asks about your views of the school in general. It is important as a school that we ask for feedback so that we know how we are doing and areas we need to improve. We always strive to be the very best that we can be and we can only do this by asking questions of children, parents and staff. I am told it only takes minutes to complete. You can log on using the link below to the website or the QR code – Thank you for your time.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VNFGPHB>



Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Farmer and Mini Mrs Farmer (Year 2 Performance)



Attendance

Our attendance target for the year is **97%**.

Best class attendance this week was **Tawny Owl with 99.3%**. **Well done.**

Whole school attendance this week was **96.3%**.

Whole school attendance for the year so far is **96.4%**.

We continue to encourage and reward excellent attendance at Barnes Farm Infant School. Please remember to call the office if your child is absent for any reason.

Please be aware that regulations changed from 1 October 2017. Any 10 unauthorised sessions taken over a 10-week period can now be subject to a Penalty Notice being issued (1 session is a morning or afternoon). Remember that the school cannot authorise any holidays in term time.

Celebration awards



Badger - Sophia
Fox - Isla Marie
Rabbit - Savvia
Hedgehog - Jessica C
Squirrel - Joshua

Otter - Mia
Tawny Owl - Adam
Barn Owl - Eleanor P
Snowy Owl - Caitlin



Reception - Leighton-Lei in Fox
Year 1 - James in Hedgehog
Year 2 - Emmeline in Barn Owl



Poppy in Fox
Stanley in Badger

Teddy bear story time in Reception class

Last Friday afternoon, we welcomed our new children into school to share a fun hour with our current Reception classes and teachers. They enjoyed story time under the trees, sang songs and played with the water and sand trays. Fun was had as many children built wooden structures whilst getting to know their new friends before they start in September





Year 1 Special tea and cake afternoon



Squirrel, Otter and Hedgehog classes sent special invitations to their parents, grandparents and carers last week requesting their company for a special tea party. Jam sandwiches and cakes of all shapes and flavours were lovingly made by the children who could not wait to share them with those they love.

Named bags next week please

Next week, children will start collecting all their wonderful learning they have worked so hard on this year ready to bring home. It would make it much easier if all children brought in a named carrier bag with them on Monday ready to bring home on Wednesday.

Non-Pupil Dates 2019 – 2020

Many of you have been asking about holiday dates 2019 – 2020. The following dates have been set as our non-pupil dates for 2019-2020 in addition to the county holiday dates for this academic year.

- 3rd Sept
- 4th Nov
- 6th Jan
- 24th February
- 22nd May

Volunteers

If you are happy to listen to children read on a regular basis or would be able to support us test the children on their Challenge Me Cards for Mathematics, please come and see me on the playground.

Barnes Farm Infants Governing Body

Heidi Hards - Chair of Governors - Parent Governor
Rebecca Pascoe-Youell - Vice Chair of Governors - Community Governor
Valerie Bellamy- Community Governor
Susannah Wookey- Community Governor
Kate Sutton- Community Governor
Mrs Z. Farmer - Head teacher
Mrs E Speller – Deputy Headteacher and Staff Governor
Elizabeth Keeley - Community Governor

Diary of Events

SUMMER TERM 2

Wednesday 24th July	Last Day of Term	
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SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR THE SUMMER – Wednesday 24th July