



Barnes Farm Infant School

Newsletter



Monday 16th March 2020
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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Cheerleading Success

Last week, our Cheerleading team went to represent Barnes Farm Infant School in the county finals competition. Once again, the team performed their amazing routine to the judges. They received some fantastic comments from the judges and other spectators who commented on how well they performed and how confident all the children were. Overall, our team was placed 4th in the county. Well done to the team!

Easter Competition – A Message from Mrs Hayward

This year, our Easter competition will be to design an Easter card - no bigger than A4 please. Think of clever cards with hinges, pop-ups or split pins, thoughtful use of materials as well as careful colouring, printing or painting. The cards should have your child's **name and class on the back** of the card please. The cards will be judged on the morning of Thursday 2nd April and can be brought in from Monday 30th March.

Have fun making them!
Mrs Hayward

Army and Navy Flyover Schools Competition

As most of you are probably aware, the flyover at the Army & Navy roundabout in Chelmsford has been closed for ages, and this week they are starting to take it down.

A lot of us, including our children, have never known Chelmsford without it. So, to mark this event Essex Highways are running a competition for all primary, infant and junior pupils in Chelmsford City Council's area. The winner will receive a £75 voucher for Evans Cycles, as well as a scooter storage pod for our school.

To enter, children just need to guess the whole weight of the flyover from four options, with the winner to be chosen at random from those who selected the correct answer.

To enter and for full terms and conditions, visit:
consultations.essex.gov.uk/essex-highways/army-and-navy-flyover-competition/.

As an extra incentive to enter, every single entrant will receive a 10% discount code for Evans Cycles in Chelmsford. The competition will run until Friday 20 March.

Please enter and good luck everyone!



WIN A £75 BIKE VOUCHER

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ENTER ONLINE AT:
www.essex.gov.uk/armyandnavy

Can you guess the weight of the Army and Navy flyover?



To mark the removal of the Army and Navy flyover, we are giving primary school children in Chelmsford the chance to win a £75 voucher for Evans Cycles, as well as a scooter storage pod for their school.

All entrants will also get a 10% discount code for Evans Cycles in Chelmsford.
* Terms and conditions apply

To enter the competition, simply guess how heavy the flyover is before the deadline on Friday 20 March.

- A. 217 tonnes
- B. 317 tonnes
- C. 417 tonnes
- D. 517 tonnes

EVANS CYCLES

RINGWAY JACOBS
REGISTERED EXPERTS


Essex County Council

Have a wonderful week,
Mrs Farmer



Attendance

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

Best class attendance this week was **Tawny Owl** with **96.7%**

Whole school attendance this week was **95.5%**

Whole school attendance for the year so far is **96.5%**

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.

Reduce your plastic, take the Essex plastic pledge

As a school, we have taken the Essex plastic pledge. This is looking at how we use plastic in school and the improvements we can make to help the environment. The pledge has been set by Love Essex and there is also an opportunity for residents to take the Essex resident plastic pledge. I have completed the pledge for my own household and it takes moments to do. If you would like to join the pledge, please access the link below and join me and our school to make a difference.

<https://www.lovesessex.org/news-and-ideas/pledge-today-and-start-reducing-your-plastic>



Celebration Awards

Reception

Badger
Fox
Rabbit

Romeo
Annabel
Martha

Year 1

Hedgehog
Squirrel
Otter

Oliver C
Kimberley
Isla-Marie

Year 2

Barn Owl
Snowy Owl
Tawny Owl

Kelly
Oskar
Libby

Mathematical Wizard

Reception
Year 1
Year 2

Dexter
George
Dylan Cr

Bookworm of the Week
Class of the Week

Ella – Snowy Owl
Badger

Homework

Each week, we aim to publish the homework pages for Year 1 and 2. In addition to the homework, we encourage the children to read as much as possible with adults at home.

| | Mathematics | English |
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| Year 1 | - | Phonics Worksheet |
| Year 2 | Problem Solving Page 16 | Grammar Page 11 Spellings |

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
 Mrs Z. Farmer - Head teacher
 Mrs E. Speller – Deputy Headteacher and Staff Governor
 Mrs K. Robinson – Assistant Headteacher and Staff Governor
 Elizabeth Keeley - Community Governor
 Yvonne Spence – Community Governor
 Katie Corbett – Parent Governor

SPRING TERM 2

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| Tuesday 17th March | Year 1 School Trip Mountfitchet Castle | |
| Tuesday 17th March | Gymnastic Competition | Chelmsford Sports and Athletics Centre (Invited Pupils Only) |
| Wednesday 18th March | Infant Music Festival Year 2 | Postponed by Organisers – See Email Communication |
| Thursday 19th March | Parent and Carer Assembly Otter Class 9.15am | Infant School Hall. No need to book, just turn up. |
| Wednesday 25th March | Design and Technology Morning | Year 2 Pupils |
| Thursday 26th March | Parent and Carer Assembly Badger Class 9.15am | Infant School Hall. No need to book, just turn up. |
| Thursday 26th March | National Epilepsy Awareness Day | Wear something PURPLE – (an accessory or whole outfit). Not a fundraiser, but a way to raise |

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| Monday 30th March | Last Week of School Clubs | |
| Wednesday 1st April | Wellbeing Cake Sale | |
| Thursday 2nd April | Movie and Munch | Permission Slip and Payment to be made on ParentPay by 26 th March 2020 |
| Friday 3rd April | Last Day of Term | |