Barnes Farm Junior School

NEWSLETTER

Current Attendance
97.4%

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Griffin | Phoenix | Pegasus | Dragon

Stars of the Week Hall of Fame

Friday 11th December 2015

6P	Billy Welch
6C	Jamie Mounteer
6S	Paridhi Jhugroo
5CH	Chloe Groves
5S	Jake Harris
5C	Katie Pankhurst
4P	Ella Hale
4T	Cameron Thompson
4CK	Oliver Lodge
3S	Abby Wainwright
3RS	Owen Robinson
3V	Lily Harrington
Mid-day Star	Kiera Brown

Current House Points—Autumn 2015
Going into the final week, Phoenix have the lead. The winning house will be announced on Thursday with extra playtime for the termly Champions!

Christmas Jumper day tomorrow + normal school uniform. Donations to Save the Children on ParentPay or cash welcome.

Christmas Productions
There has been a real 'buzz' at school this week caused by the great Christmas Productions performed by Years 3 and 4. Their enthusiastic singing, clear presenting and fine acting have all contributed to performances I'm sure our families will treasure for a long time. Well done to all those involved in the rehearsals, costumes and line learning to make these opportunities such a success.

Looking Ahead to the New Year
Parent Consultations are being brought forward to the week beginning 18th January 2016. This is so that we can share our latest assessments with you earlier and also so that clubs can begin for a 7 week clear run on the week after. The online booking window will open on Friday 8th January at 8pm.All parents are invited to a workshop at school on Thursday 14th January at 7pm where Mr McIntosh and myself will guide parents through how the school is assessing your child's performance in the new educational landscape of 'life beyond levels'.

Final word!
It has been a long and busy term for the children but one in which staff and Governors have demonstrated clear improvement to Ofsted and we are looking forward to continuing this upward trend into 2016 and beyond. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you an enjoyable and restful break over Christmas and look forward to seeing you all back safe and well on Tuesday 5th January 2016.

Parent Voice
The next meeting is **tomorrow** at 8pm in the Barn.

Y6 Easter Booster School dates announced!
All Y6 pupils will be invited to take advantage of an Easter Booster School we are arranging at BFJS from 4th-6th April 2016 9am-12:30pm. More details will follow in the New Year so 'save the date'!

New Sports facilities coming to BFJS in 2016
The Governors have commissioned a big investment in a new multi-use games area to be installed by the Summer 2016. This exciting new facility will transform our provision for PE, afterschool clubs and most importantly playtimes throughout the year and will be sited at the top end of our field. It will form the focus for our fundraising drive in 2016 too. This demonstrates the financial commitment and ambition our Governors have to bring the best facilities to our school site.

Other Key dates

Weds 16th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day +Parent Voice 8pm
Fri 18th Dec	INSET DAY 2
Mon 4th Jan	INSET DAY 3
Tues 5th Jan	Children return to school
Friday 8th Jan	Open session in classes to celebrate and share In-Flight menu homework at 3pm
Thurs 14th Jan	7pm Parent Workshop on understanding the new assessment system—school hall
Mon 18th Jan + Weds 20th Jan	Parent Consultations (Monday 5pm-8pm, Wednesday 3:30-6pm)
Mon 25th Jan	Clubs begin for 7 weeks
Thurs 4th Feb	4T Class Assembly
Thurs 3rd Mar	3S Class Assembly
Thurs 17th Mar	4P Class Assembly

Barnes Farm Junior Choir go on Tour!

Our school choir went on their travels last week by visiting Farleigh Hospice (pictured) and the local Yeoman Lodge to sing carols and bring some Christmas cheer. They all sang brilliantly and received numerous positive comments from the residents who definitely appreciated their visit at this time of year. A big thank you to Mrs Summers and the other staff for organising this important contribution to our local community.