



Barnes Farm Junior School



NEWSLETTER

Attendance
98.1%

<http://barnes-farm-junior.eschools.co.uk>

No 3 September 21st 2017

Friends of Barnes Farm Schools donation

We were thrilled to receive news that the Friends of Barnes Farm Schools had made a donation to the school of £2,000 from the most recent fundraising efforts in the last academic year. We will use this donation to completely refresh and upgrade the wet-weather resources stored in every classroom so that the children have more choices of things to do during any break times that are affected by adverse weather. We also intend to augment the resources available for playing outside too. Thank you to all the parents who helped run the events or donated to the cause. Our School Council will be heavily involved in contributing their ideas to what resources will be most needed.

Ofsted July 2017 Parent Voice workshop reminder

Thank you to all the parents who have continued to pass on so many positive comments about our recently published Ofsted report. I have passed them onto the staff. Please note that if you would like to be a part of shaping the next phase of our school improvement, then please attend the Ofsted-focussed Parent Voice meeting on Monday 25th September at 7:30pm in the Barn. This will be attended by senior staff at the school as well as Governors. We are really keen to hear your views on what is working well and where we can improve further. If you cannot attend in person but wish to send in your comments, then please email parentvoice@barnesfarmjun.essex.sch.uk

Y5/6 Parent Workshops reminder

We are holding three workshops aimed at Y5/6 parents (although all are welcome) on Thursday 28th September in the school hall. Parents may attend as many as they like.

The timings are as follows:

- 6:30pm Y5 Mersea Residential Information workshop
- 7:00pm Helping your child prepare for KS2 SATs 2018
- 7:30pm Y6 Isle of Wight Residential Information workshop

Secondary School Admissions Sept 2018

Parents and carers of children due to start secondary school in September 2018 can apply between Tuesday 12 September and Tuesday 31 October 2017. It is crucial an application is received by the closing date. Applications can be made at www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. The website also enables parents to search for school information and check admissions criteria.



Tel: 01245 467973 <https://barnes-farm-junior.eschools.co.uk>
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Harvest Foodbank appeal



Linking to Harvest, we are collecting food donations this half term for the Chelmsford Foodbank run by the Trussell Trust. This organisation aims to help families and individuals in need in a very practical way, free of charge. The following items are suggested as ideal products for donating:

Tinned vegetables
Tinned fish
Tinned meat & meat pies
Tinned rice
Instant (powdered) custard
Tinned sponge puddings
Cartons of UHT milk
Squash

Tinned Soup
Tinned potatoes
Tinned fruit
Instant (powdered) potato
Biscuits
Cartons of fruit juice
Jam
Tinned vegetables

Items should be non-perishable (tinned and dried goods), which do not spoil or decay. All items should be unopened, in date and in good condition; it is forbidden by law to give away food which has passed its "use by" date. Please send them into school with your child or leave them at the office before the end of half term.

Ross McTaggart - Headteacher

Star of the Week Hall of Fame



Friday 8th September 2017



6MS Monty Hodgson
6C Lexie Prout
6S Samuel Diggines
5M Ocean-Mae Revill
5V Sonny Farrell
5C Dan Hall
4P Kai Carter
4S Emeilia Pratley
4CK Annabelle Elliot
3SG Joseph Wain
3HM Olivia Tracey
3B Harry Green
Mid-day Star – Kenny Hart

Key Dates

Thurs 21st Sept Parents Evening 3:30-6:00pm
Mon 25th Sept Clubs start
ParentVoice workshop (Barn) 7:30pm
Thurs 5th Oct Y6 visit to Duxford
Sat 7th Oct 4pm – 9pm FOBFS Discos
Thurs 12th Oct Revd Anne McKenzie Assembly
Fri 13th Oct Flu Immunisations
Mon 23rd Oct – Fri 27th Oct Half Term
Mon 30th Oct Non-Pupil Day 2
Fri 3rd Nov School Photographs
Sat 4th Nov Family Photographs
Weds 8th Nov Islamic Cultural Day
Sat 25th Nov FOBFS Winter Bazaar

