

# **Barnes Farm Junior School**



# NEWSLETTE



Attendance: 95.5%

No 11: 1st December 2023

#### Year 3 Fact-Finders present to Year 2



On Tuesday, some Year 2 children came to visit Year 3 to see what they have been learning. The Year 3 children presented their non-chronological reports about Woolly Mammoths and taught the children some facts in their groups. The Year 2 children enjoyed learning about an animal from the past!



# **OPAL Launched at BFJS**

Today, the children were introduced to our plans to further improve their experience of play at BFJS through our involvement in the OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning). This will start in the next few weeks and continue over the next year. We will be sending more detailed communication next week about how you can support this as a parent or carer at the school and also provide your views on our current provision. In the meantime, if you want to see how an OPAL playtime might look - please watch this video. Here is also a



reminder of some of the items we will be asking for - so if you know how we might get these (through a local business perhaps) please get in touch!

#### **Coping with Christmas**



As we head into this busy time of year, the mental health charity Mind has produced some great tips on how to cope or ways to support someone else. Click here for info

Well done to Louis in Y6 on gaining a football trial with Colchester Utd - Good Luck! Mr McTaggart - Headteacher

Stars of the Week 01/12/23

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Y6	Florence H-N	Sienna	Alice
Y <i>5</i>	Sam	Lacey	Zoe
Y4	Niamh	Jesse	George H
Y3	Ben	Rayan	Joe





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# Merry Miles for Macmillan

On Wednesday 13th December we will dress in our festive jumpers, hats and accessories to take to the Daily Mile track to complete as many 'Merry Miles' as we can to show our support for this worthy cause. Over recent years, our school community and families have benefitted from the support provided by this worthy charity.

We would love the children to wear their favourite Christmas jumpers, hats, accessories for this event that coincides with our Christmas lunch, making it an even more special day. Christmas jumpers may be worn for the whole day. Each class will take turns to jog or walk around the track as part of our 'Merry Miles for Macmillan' We will be accompanied by some festive tunes to keep us going as we rack up the miles.

**JustGiving** 

There is a Just Giving page for this event and we would be most grateful for any donations that you can pledge to support with our fundraising <a href="here">here</a>

### Movie + Munch Y3/4 12th Dec Y5/6 19th Dec

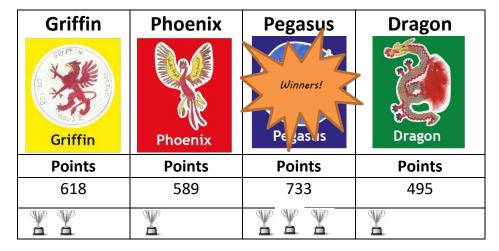
Year 3 and 4 will be having Movie and Munch on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December from 15:15 to 17:00. Year 5 and 6 will be a week later on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at the same times. You can book your child's choice of film through ParentPay now! This event will be free for all children and staffed voluntarily by the BFJS team!

You will need to pick up your child at 17:00 from the school hall - not their classroom. The children will sit in class groups in the hall to help make pick up easier. Due to the late finish, all children will need to be picked up and will not be allowed to walk home by themselves. More details available on ParentPay.

#### PE Kit Days - Autumn Term

Date (Week beginning)	М	Т	W	Т	F
4/12/23	5	3	4	6	5
11/12/23	6	3	4	5	6
18/12/23	6	3	4		

# **House Points**





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