

Barnes Farm Junior School



NEWSLETTER

Attendance: 93.2% No 23: 17th March 2023

Curriculum Enrichment

As we are approaching the end of term, each year group will be welcoming parents and carers into class as part of their curriculum enrichment days. This provides an opportunity for parents and carers to view some of activities that have taken place throughout the term in relation to the projects and enquiry questions. The dates and times are as follows:

Year 3 and 4 - Thursday 30th March - 3pm Year 5 and 6 - Wednesday 29th March - 3pm

Further details will follow in next week's Newsletter.

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Report a parking issue <u>here</u> to Chelmsford City Council

Stars of the Week

10th March 2023

Y6	Toby M	Brodie A	Parisa M
Y5	Karem C	Harry B	Tianfu L
Y4	Marnin P	Bamise D	Renee W
Y3	James K	George N	Harry C



PE Next week – Friday – Y5





Year 3 - Geography Day

'On Thursday 16th March, Year 3 enjoyed taking part in a Geography day in connection with their enquiry question 'What makes our local area great?'. Children walked from school to Sandford Mill lock and back using ordinance survey maps. They had walked over 4km by the time they had returned to school and were quite tired! Children were able to spot many of landmarks from their map on the way. Also, they used their computing skills to look at how Chelmsford had changed using maps from the 1890s and 1950s. Finally, they made collages of the maps they had used. Children are very excited to show their work to parents and carers later on in the term.'











Year 5 visit to Chelmsford Museum





On Thursday and Friday of last week, the children in Year 5 were invited to spend a day exploring Chelmsford Museum in order to help them learn more about Marconi and his contribution to the world of wireless communication. The staff at the museum provided workshops about radio technology and Marconi's life, which has helped the children with their English work about biographies. The children were also able to take some time to explore the museum independently and learn even more about a range of topics about their local area. The staff were incredibly complimentary of the children's attitudes and behaviour and it was a pleasure to see the children learning in such an enthusiastic and welcoming environment.



Year 6 SATs Bootcamp

The computer suite is open each morning from 8:15 - 8:45am from Monday to Friday for any year 6 pupils that wish to come in and use the SATs Bootcamp website. The year 6 teachers will be available to supervise and support the children during this time. Thank you to the children that have already taken up this offer.





Clubs

Teacher run clubs are due to finish week beginning 20th March, with the exception of VR club (final session Tuesday 28th March.) SCS Clubs will run until the end of term.

Parents in Partnership - SIGN UP WITH YOUR INTEREST!

We would like to facilitate the re-forming of a PTA (parent-teacher association) in order to plan and organise supportive events for the benefit of both Barnes Farm schools. This needs to be a charitable organisation, run independently of the school but for the benefit of the children within it. A number of parents have signalled that they would be willing to get involved. We have

created a short survey here to gauge the level of interest and to then setup next steps. We also would like to get adults onsite on Monday 3rd April

9:30am - 12:30pm (1st Monday of Easter holidays) to help with tree and bulb planting and other gardening/landscaping activities. Please fill in the survey for this too!







Easter Egg Hunt

We are excited to announce that we are organising an Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday 29th March. This is a fun event that all children can take part in as it will be taking place during school time.

Children are allowed to wear anything Easter related such as bunny ears or even an Easter bonnet.



We hope this is an egg-cellent event and the children have a cracking time!

Barnes Farm School Council

(written by Jimi B and Harry C)

Easter Egg Decorating Competition - We're Not Yolking Around!

School council have put together an Easter Egg Decorating Competition. It is a fun event for all year groups to take part!

Each child can decorate one hard boiled egg (plastic or foam eggs can be used if you would prefer) with the theme of their choice. The eggs will be judged by the School Council, there will be prizes available for the winners and runners up. Every child who enters will receive 5 house points for their effort.

If you would like to enter the competition the cost is £1 per entry (only one entry per child please).

This will be payable via <u>ParentPay</u> from Monday 6th March.

Please bring entries in to school between the 17th and 19th of April ready to be judged!

We hope you have an eggcellent time decorating your eggs!

Barnes Farm Junior School Council – report by Elsie Hodge, 5L.









Royal Academy Young Artists' Summer Show

Click here for more details

Have you got some amazing artwork you have created at home or at school?
The Royal Academy is looking for submissions for artwork by 29th March to become a part of their Summer Exhibition. We are registered as a school so you can submit artwork to the front office (we will scan it) or a high quality image of it to

remotesupport@barnesfarmjun.essex.sch.uk

Safeguarding Advice



Essex Police are making parents aware of the increase in cannabis edibles being offered to young people across the county. To find out more about how to spot the signs <u>click here</u>









Free Young People's Orchestral Workshop Sunday 14th May 2023 at St John Payne School, Chelmsford

Essex Symphony Orchestra is delighted to, once again, invite young musicians to join them for a morning or afternoon to enjoy orchestral playing alongside experienced players and under the guidance of our professional conductor, Mr Robert Hodge (https://www.robert-hodge.com/)

The workshop is for pupils who learn an orchestral instrument in or out of school and who have passed at least Grade 1. There will be two sessions held on Sunday 14th May:

10 – 12.30 for those who have passed Grades 1, 2 or 3 1.30pm – 4pm for those who have passed Grades 4 or 5

To comply with safeguarding guidelines, a parent or responsible adult will need to accompany their child to the workshop; in previous workshops parents sat all around the edges of the hall and really enjoyed watching how the music came together.

If you would like your child to take part, please email:

Catherine Gunnett (member of Essex Symphony Orchestra) at bassoonplus@gmail.com with the following information:

- Child's Name
- School's Name
- Orchestral instrument (i.e. not piano, keyboard, guitar, recorder). We do, however, have a few spaces for drummers who would like to play orchestral percussion and and a small number of **alto** saxophones in the afternoon session only)
- Grade attained
- Parent/carer contact email and phone number

You will then be given further details about the day, including the music that we will be playing so that your child can practise it at home and with his/her instrumental tutor before the day of the workshop.

If you would like further information about the Essex Symphony Orchestra and to see pictures and a review of previous workshops, please visit our website, https://www.essexsymphony.org.uk/outreach/

Our last workshop was very popular and there are limited places for each instrument, so please reply as soon as possible to secure your child's participation.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Kind regards Catherine Gunnett Member of Essex Symphony Orchestra





ASK Tigers After-school Karate Club

Every Friday 3.30 – 4.30pm 21st April 2023 - 14th July 2023 (11 lessons)

Aged: 5 years upwards

Cost: £66/term or join anytime and pay as you train £7/lesson





Children are taught foundation level karate and martial arts skills

A mix of basic techniques, pad work, light sparring, anti-bullying and self defence systems

Martial arts training helps children's confidence, discipline, co-ordination and fitness. Development is encouraged at their own pace in a safe and friendly dojo environment.

No special equipment is required to start, however we do recommend you purchase a pair of sparring mitts (gloves) from us to use whilst striking bags, pads and in partner sparring. £15/pair (available in red, blue or white). Mitts can be purchased any time.

To book and secure your child's place please complete the registration slip below and return via email. Please also make your payment as detailed below. Full payment is required in advance of all lessons.

Cash, credit/debit card or bank transfer.

Direct bank transfer to:
Account name: Keith Mayhew
Sort Code: 608371. Account number: 59080152.
(Please enter child's surname as a payment reference).



For more details contact us directly

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	Child's Name:	Age:			
	Contact phone (for emergencies & club correspondence):				
	Email address (for club correspondence):				
	Medical conditions or allergies:				
	Signed parent or legal guardian:				
	Print Name:				



