

This week sees the end of the first week of our 10 week Autumn club provision. It is with a great amount of pride and significant effort that this wide ranging provision is maintained and continually built on. All teachers and some support staff give their time voluntarily to run a club which results in our pupils being able to select from cup stacking, choir or cross country to name but a few of the options. All areas of the school are utilised and with the addition of our breakfast club in the morning, enables the school to be truly busy and vibrant throughout the entire school day. We aim to give every child their 'first choice' of club and in many cases further choices if numbers permit. It is a complicated and ambitious programme of events which largely runs without a hitch. However, we don't always get it right and sometimes inaccurate information is sent out, or the provision is not quite as it should be from the start. When this happens we need to know about it through the appropriate channels and in a respectful manner. In some instances, this has not happened and I would like to reiterate not only our commitment to 'getting things right' but also to ensuring that everyone (pupils, parent and staff alike) is upholding our values of being positive, respectful and responsible. Reports of breaches of these values will be taken seriously and followed up. If you have some information which needs to be shared with the school please choose the most appropriate method from the following:

- Write in your child's learning habit for all non-critical information. These are checked daily.
- Contact the school office by phone (8am-5pm), email or in person (8am-5pm)
- Drop-in to see your child's teacher on a Wednesday afternoon. 3:15-3:45pm. No appointment needed.
- Write a letter or make an appointment to see your child's teacher or senior leader if unresolved.

We make every effort to ensure that channels of communication are open at the school in order to meet our desire to inspire and educate our pupils to the highest standards and appreciate your co-operation in achieving this.




## Fancy a coffee to support a good cause?

Barnes Farm Schools offer you two options!

- 1) Come along to the Infant hall on Friday 26th September between 8:45am and 9:15am for coffee and cake
- 2) Come along to the Barn after school to buy a cake

## Or both!

Donations of cakes gratefully accepted from Thurs 25th



## Friends of Barnes Farm Schools Bag2School is coming!

Keep hold of your old clothes etc as we will be collecting them on Friday 3rd October to raise money for both schools. More info on our website. Sat 27th September sees the first Junior PTA disco—can you help out? Contact the school or via Facebook pls.

## Other Key dates

**Fri 24th Oct** Non-Pupil Day 2

**27th-31st Oct** HALF TERM

**Mon 3rd Nov** Pupils return

**Fri 19th Dec** End of Term

**Mon 5th Jan** Pupils return

**Mon 23rd Feb** Non-Pupil Day 3

**Fri 27th Mar** End of Term

**Mon 13th Apr** Pupils return

**Fri 22nd May** Non-Pupil Day 4

**Tues 21st July** End of Term



## Cross Country League event

We took 4 teams to the first of the Chelmsford District cross country meets yesterday from across Years 5 and 6. Instead of the usual mud and cold, the athletes had to face tropical conditions instead!

All the runners did very well on the 1300m course at Melbourne Park with up to 200 children in each race and were strongly supported by parents too. Thanks to Mr Slaughter for his impeccable warm-ups and guidance on the day too.

Can you ensure high cleaning standards for our school? We need a daily cleaning supervisor at BFJS Mon-Fri 4-6pm. Please contact Sue at KM Cleaning 07545440111



## Parent Voice in The Barn

**Thursday 2nd October** 2:15pm with tea/coffee served from 2pm. Please come along to share your views on current strengths and areas for improvement

