

## The Launch of the Barnes Farm Houses

Over the course of Thursday and Friday 26th/27th March, the children across both Barnes Farm schools will be coming together in their House groups to engage in a range of collaborative activities. The staff at both schools have planned this event together but if any parents can offer their services during either Thursday or Friday morning, this would be very much appreciated. Please contact the Office.

Thank you to all the scores of children who submitted designs for their house. It was a difficult task to select winners but the following designs will be taken forward to be turned into reality! They can be viewed online on our website.

Griffin	Phoenix	Pegasus	Dragon
Ben Ross Y3	Esa Ahmed Y4	Max Sisson Y6	Josie Hawkes Y3

## Staffing Updates

Both Mrs Green and Mrs Heminsley-Taylor have returned to school over the past few weeks following their maternity leave. Sadly, they will both be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Green has taught at the school since qualifying and has devoted much time and energy into teaching and clubs over the many years at the school. Mrs Heminsley-Taylor has also given a huge commitment to the school over the years, particularly in the areas of Maths and Netball. Both staff will be sorely missed and we wish them and their young families well in the future.

Congratulations to Miss Rudkin and her family who are expecting their second child in July.

Mr Russell (Class 6) and Mr Crudgington (Class 7) are all committed to the school until the end of the Summer term with Mrs Broad and Mr McIntosh continuing in Class 4 once Miss Rudkin leaves us.

Welcome also to Mrs Geddes and Mrs Wye who join our support staff team at the school as well as Mrs Hollidge and Mrs Gooday who join as Midday Assistants.



*Please note that the date on last week's newsletter for the Homework workshop was incorrect. The correct date is Tuesday 24th March from 7pm-7:45pm. It will be a chance to share ideas first-hand on how to support your child's learning at home. Tea and coffee will be served.*

## Red Nose Day Friday 13th March 2015



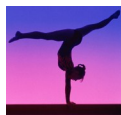
Thank you to all those who donated to this worthy cause today. We have managed to raise an impressive £ 448.74 so far!

The cakes donated all sold well and the children looked the part all wearing red.



Please note that all proceeds donated will go to Comic Relief (registered charity 326568) and are used to support vital projects in UK and Africa.

Our Gymnastic teams competed brilliantly at the Chelmsford Schools competition with our Year 5 'B' team finishing in Bronze position. Well done to you all!



## Friends of Barnes Farm School Updates

We will be holding our annual Easter craft morning in the Junior School Hall, please come and join us for an exciting and creative morning of old favourite and new Easter crafts. Tickets cost £2.50 per school child which includes entrance, their first 50p craft plus a drink and a biscuit. Additional crafts are 50p each with one £1 craft.

If you are able to help at the craft morning, please contact the PTA: chairFOBFS@yahoo.com

Congratulations to Ruth Travers from Stavehouse who has been awarded a fellowship of the London College of Music. This recognises the work Stavehouse is doing for music education. Well done!

## Other Key dates

<b>Tues 24th Mar</b>	Parent - Homework launch 7:00-7:45pm
<b>Fri 27th Mar</b>	End of Spring Term
<b>Thurs 23rd Apr</b>	Class 11 Assembly
<b>Thurs 30th Apr</b>	Class 12 Assembly
<b>Thurs 7th May</b>	<i>Closed due to Polling Day</i>
<b>Thurs 21st May</b>	Class 10 Assembly
<b>Fri 22nd May</b>	<i>Non-Pupil Day 4</i>
<b>Fri 3rd July</b>	<b>Sports Day</b>
<b>Fri 10th July</b>	<b>'Houses' Family Feast 1pm onwards</b>
<b>Tues 21st July</b>	End of Term