

NEWSLETTER

Attendance
96.6%

[Summer Menu Week 2 beginning 22nd July 2019](#)

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Stars of the Week 12th July 2019



Y5 William Pye
Benjamin McIntosh
Joshua Youell

Y4 Holly Whitehead
Joseph Wain
Jake Ellis

Y3 Albie Cutting
Jacob Jaworski
Yusaf Ahsan

Stars of the Week 18th July 2019



Y6 Brooke Stone
Ocean-Mae Revill
Eloise Cass

Y5 Heaven Revill
Emeilia Pratley
Ava Lambert

Y4 David Popescu
Aaron Roman
Layla Howard

Y3 Jack Whittaker
Abigail McElroy
Jake Abery

Key Dates

Mon 22nd July Home Learning/Handwriting Assemblies (invite only) Y6 Leavers' Party 5pm-7pm

Tues 23rd July Y6 Leavers' Assembly to Y6 parents 9am

Weds 24th July End of term – 3:15pm

Weds 4th Sept Beginning of Autumn Term for all pupils

Non-Pupil Days 2019-2020

- 3rd Sept 2019 4th Nov 2019 6th Jan 2020 24th Feb 2020 22nd May 2020

2020-2021

- 2nd Sept 2020 23rd Oct 2020 4th Jan 2021 22nd Feb 2021 28th May



SchoolGames Update

BFJS achieve Gold for 3rd Year Running!



Mrs Vickers, our Sports Lead, was delighted to receive the news that we have been successful for the 3rd year running in gaining the highest Gold level for our Schoolgames mark. We have successfully enabled less active pupils to take a greater part in sport as well as participate in competitions at all levels: intra and inter-school, district and county.



Our Bronze Ambassadors (pupils trained to deliver sporting activities within school) have been brilliant this year. We particularly recommended Jake and Sophie for a special mention (with their Mums) at the recent Chelmsford School Sports Partnership Awards. Well done to you both!

Monday 15th July - Sports Day



We were able to complete our Sports Day fixture this week with a marvellous round of sporting activities on Monday morning. Well supported by parents, our



children were each representing their House in an effort to amass the highest number of points across 12 activity stations.

Results were as follows:

Most Sporting Team: Dragon 3

Individual team winners: 1st Griffin 2
2nd Pegasus 3
3rd Dragon 1

Overall House Points: 1st Griffin 1546
2nd Dragon 1529
3rd Phoenix 1497
4th Pegasus 1462



Girls' Team Overall Champions

Our Girls' football team, coached by Mr White, secured the Chelmsford District trophy by beating the other league winners in an end of season final match v St Michael's Junior school. By winning 2-0 they ensured that they remained unbeaten throughout their 2018-

2019 season - a fantastic achievement. Well done to all the girls who have trained and played hard this year - our Barnes Farm Lionesses continue to roar!



Extensive Fire Prevention Work Commences

The Chelmsford Learning Partnership has commissioned work costing over £100,000 to install a brand new fire alarm system in the school as well as upgrading all the fire protection throughout the school. Similar work is being undertaken in the Infant school. This essential and extensive work will involve replacing all doors and associated structures to ensure that the school is brought in-line with current fire protection guidelines. The work is being undertaken by Hopkins Young Electrical contractors throughout the Summer holidays and October half-term.

Defibrillator Arrives ready for September



Following a fantastic fundraising effort by one of our parents, Michelle Eley, there will now be a defibrillator stationed on the side of the Barn to be accessed in the event of an emergency from September. It has arrived and will be installed ready for the new term. Thank you to all those who donated as the cost was more than met by this fundraising with excess funds being donated to be shared equally between both schools via the Friends of Barnes Farm Schools.

Awards Evening 2019

The school held its first awards evening for parents to view on Wednesday 17th July at Boswells school. 96 children were awarded for their efforts 'above and beyond' in the eight areas of our Secrets of Success with 5 whole school awards given out too. Thank you to all the staff for their personal citations which made the evening so touching for all involved.

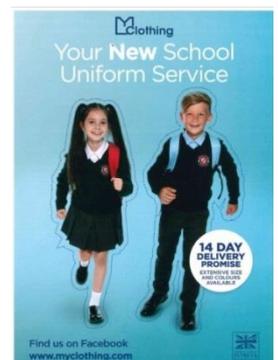
End of year reports and ParentView feedback wanted



End of Year reports are available to collect from the front entrance for all those parents not able to collect yesterday. We greatly value your feedback on what the school is doing well and any areas in which we could improve further. Please take 2 minutes of your time to complete the ParentView survey by following [this link](#) which has also been emailed out to you.

School Uniform Ordering

New school uniform ready for September can now be ordered through www.myclothing.com which has replaced the Tesco uniform service and operates a 14 day delivery promise as well as 5% cashback directly to our school. The Office has one brand new but unwanted school jumper available in a Y5/6 size - please enquire at the office about this item directly.



Attendance Matters

Our overall attendance level this year has dropped to 96.6% with an increasing number of families taking unauthorised term-time absences for family holidays. We are committed to challenging this because we believe in the strong link between learning hours lost and related under-achievement. Please see the table below which was also in the report pack sent out this week.

Descriptor	Threshold Attendance	Actual Attendance	Whole Days Absent	Learning Hours Lost
Excellent	100%	190 days	0	0
	99%	188 days	2	10
Good	98%	186 days	4	20
	97%	184 days	6	30
	96%	182.5 days	7.5	37.5
Cause for concern	95%	180.5 days	9.5	47.5
	94%	179 days	11	55
	93%	177 days	13	65
	92%	175 days	15	75
	91%	173 days	17	85
Unsatisfactory	90%	171 days	19	95
	89%	169 days	21	105
	88%	167 days	23	115
	87%	165 days	25	125
Serious Cause for Concern	86%	163 days	27	135
Critical	85%	161.5 days	28.5	142.5
	84%	159.5 days	30.5	152.5
	83%	158 days	32	160
	82%	156 days	34	170
	81%	154 days	36	180
	80%	152 days	38	190