

Magnificent Mersea!



What a week our Year 6's have had at Essex Outdoors Mersea! They have even been lucky enough to have the entire site to themselves!

All of the children have really got stuck in to such a broad range of activities including (but not limited to!) off road biking, bushcraft, aerial adventures, kit karts and more. They have all shown such bravery and determination and their teamwork has been phenomenal. We are exceptionally proud of how they have taken on this week filled with so many firsts for so many of them.



The children returned this afternoon and I'm sure they will be bursting with stories to tell!

A huge thank you to Mrs Vickers and the fantastic staff team who have supported this residential trip and enabling it to be such a huge success.



Year 6 School Group

Our LSAs have been so impressed by the focus and effort the remaining Year 6's have had at school this week. They have worked so hard and supported each other in a wide range of activities. Well done! Thank you also, to the staff who have supported this group of children at school.

Stars of the Week

17th Sept 2021

Y6	<i>All of the Year 6 school group</i>		
Y5	<i>Penny Jacobs</i>	<i>Oliver Parker</i>	<i>Lukas Lefkaditis</i>
Y4	<i>Adriana Teneva</i>	<i>Mia Holmes</i>	<i>Imogen Beard</i>
Y3	<i>Isla Hubble</i>	<i>Freddie Hogwood-Pelgrom</i>	<i>Lucy Welch</i>

Polite Parade

We had another long list of children for our Polite Parade this week, some of them featured here! Well done to those children that were selected for being polite, positive and respectful members of our school. Your wonderful manners go such a long way.



Artistic Flair!

Well done to Denzel in 5SK for his brilliant self portrait this week. Great perseverance and determination shown to produce a great piece of artwork!

After-School Clubs

Please see the Clubs letter and timetables attached providing information regarding our teacher-led clubs and the clubs offered by our external provider SCS. We are delighted to be able to offer such a broad range of afterschool clubs once again. Letters for invite only clubs have also been sent this afternoon via Eschools.

Teacher Assistant Appreciation Day 2021

Thursday 16th September was National Teaching Assistants' Day and everyone at BFJS wants to extend an even bigger 'THANK YOU' than normal to our wonderful Teaching Assistants who regularly go above and beyond to support the pupils within our school. We are exceptionally lucky to have such a dedicated team here at Barnes Farm.



Recognising the valuable contribution Teaching Assistants make to the education and support of school children across England and Wales.

Reminder: Parent Information Meetings

We are delighted that we can now offer an opportunity for parents to come into the school to get an overview of the expectations and FAQ for their child's year group. On **Thursday 23rd September** we are holding information meetings for Y3-Y5 parents in each classroom. Due to Covid restraints, we can only allow **one parent** to attend and this will be for adults only. Each meeting will consist of a short presentation by the class teacher and then time for general questions or exploring the learning environment. The times are as follows:

5:30pm - 6:00pm Year 5 **6:00pm - 6:30pm** Year 4 **6:30pm - 7:00pm** Year 3
Year 6 parents are invited to a general 'Preparing for the SATs' meeting on Monday 1st November at 6pm in the main hall.

PE Reminders

Monday Y3 Tuesday Y4 Wednesday Y5 Thursday Y6

In addition, every Friday there is an additional Sports afternoon for one year group in rotation. Dates for the diary are:

Friday 24th Sept Y5 Friday 1st Oct Y6 Friday 8th Oct Y3 Friday 15th Oct Y4

Contacting both Barnes Farm Schools - JUST 1 NUMBER!



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General enquiry: admin@barnesfarm-jun.essex.sch.uk
Teacher contact: remotesupport@barnesfarm-jun.essex.sch.uk

The two Barnes Farm schools are working ever more closely together to aim to deliver as seamless an experience for you and your family as possible.

All general enquiries for **either Barnes Farm School** can be made by phoning 01245 467973 or dropping by the Junior school office. Mrs Jukes and Mrs Harris will be ready to help you. If your enquiry is finance-related, then Mrs Mason and Mrs Godfrey will be based at the Infants but can be reached through the same number - 01245 467973.

StudyBugs supports attendance and saves our staff time!

80% of our parents used Studybugs last year to report a child's absence. This free reporting tool allows parents access to NHS-backed advice on symptoms and lets the school know of a child's absence directly at any time. Download from [here](#)

