Barnfield News

Sharing news in our school community

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Ofsted Visit

Earlier this week we had a visit from an Ofsted Inspector who wanted to look at the quality of teaching and learning across the school in History. This was not a full Oftsed but a focus on one subject. A selection of outstanding schools throughout the country, like us, will be inspected this academic year focusing either on History or Modern Foreign Languages – MFL.

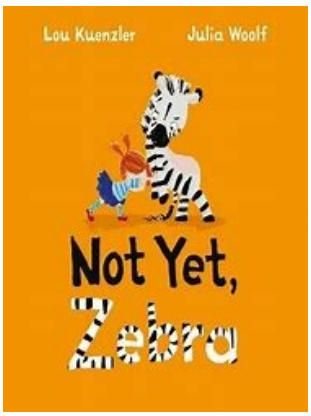
Although we are still waiting for the letter to be published, we can share that the Inspector was very impressed with the behaviour of our children and how hard they were working in class. He thought the standard of teaching was high. The inspection did not include a judgement, only feedback to the school. Our current status will not change as a result of the inspection and we continue to wait for our full review. Until then, we will keep working hard on our teaching, learning and curriculum.

Year 6 Secondary Schools

On Monday, our Year 6 pupils found out their secondary schools for September. Please remember to confirm your decision online. If you need any help, please come in and speak to Jackie Bramble.

Book Week

We have had a fabulous time this week in school focusing our learning around book week. We were really lucky to invite Lou Kuenzler, a brilliant author into our classrooms. Lou led a series of workshops where we explored how to think and write like an author!



We enjoyed dressing up today to celebrate world book day. The children and staff all looked amazing. We had a variety of fabulous characters in school from a wide range of books.

Thank you for your continued support and for showing your children how important books are!

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Nursery Places for September 2020

If your child was born between September 2016 and August 2017 they will be due to start Nursey in September 2020

Please fill out an application form available from the office as soon as possible

Please remember the bell is rung at 8.55am promptly. After the second bell at 8.57am, adults will need to sign late pupils in at the office.
Please help ensure your child gets to school on time. Children start working at 9am. Children who are late 10 minutes each day miss nearly an hour's learning each week!
Thank you in advance for your support

Attendance Winners!

RS Class had the best attended class in Foundation key stage with 91.33%
2G Class had the best attended class in Key Stage 1 this week with 98.00%
3J & 3P Class was the best attended class in Lower Key Stage 2 this week with 96.00%
***6H* Classes** had the best attended class in Upper Key Stage 2 this week with 99.33%

Remember attendance is important and every day counts!

Please make sure you check the school website **www.barnfieldschool.co.uk** for any updates on school closures due to bad weather

Spring Class Assemblies
10th March 2G 10.05am
24th March 2L 10.05am
27th March 3P 12.10pm

Please arrive on time as assemblies only last for 15 minutes

Last Chance For Music Lessons For Summer Term

If you would like to sign your child up to learn a musical instrument, we are now taking bookings for Summer Term 2020.
We buy private tutors from Barnet to run the lessons and the cost is £115.50 for 10 lessons.
Your child can choose between: Keyboard, Drums, Guitar. Please ask for a letter from the school office.

Payments must to the school office by 10th March

Payments can not be excepted past this date

Thank you to all the parents that attended the online safety meeting before the holiday.

Below is some information that parents may find helpful.

ONLINE SAFETY FOR PARENTS

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

REPORT ABUSE

What to Say to Children:

Keep personal information private / Be nice to others / Ask first - games, sites, apps / Tell a trusted adult

Advice for Gaming:

- Monitor who your child is talking to via messages or headsets
- Use passwords on bank cards - many games have in-game purchases
- Set up time limits on how long they spend playing

Advice for Social Media:

- Check 'Privacy Settings' are being used on social media
- Tell them not to accept friend / follow requests from strangers
- Ensure that they never share their location

Stay Up to Date:

www.kidslonlineworld.com

- Website from ECP Ltd - "The more you know, the better!"
- Updates via emails and vlogs, full of information for parents

Helpful Websites:

www.parentzone.org.uk
www.parentinfo.org
www.internetmatters.org

Alternatives Websites:

www.kids.youtube.com
www.kids-search.com
www.swiggle.org.uk

Get advice on filters / settings etc. from NSPCC Helpline - 0808 800 5002

If your child uses the app "TikTok" (which has a 12+ rating), please read the following information, taken from the recent article in the Evening Standard:

TikTok has announced new safety features which will allow parents to control the content their children see on the platform.

The extremely popular video-sharing social media app now allows parents to link their TikTok account to their teen's.

Once enabled, parents will be able to control the amount of screen time allowed on the app each day, limit who can send direct messages to the account and restrict the content appearing in the feed of their child's account.

While TikTok videos are mostly harmless and fun, there have been some concerns over what children might see on there.

Here's how to activate the new features:

1. Make sure you update your app to the latest version, as these features may not be available on older versions of the app. Visit either the App Store on iPhone or Google Play Store on Android to check you have the most recent version.
2. Go to your profile by tapping the bottom right of the screen and then tap the top right to bring up 'Privacy and settings'.
3. From there, you'll see this menu shown below. Tap on 'Digital Wellbeing'.
4. Once in the digital wellbeing menu, there will be three options to choose from. Here is where you can manage screen time, restricted mode and family safety mode (where you can link your account to your child's).
5. As you tap into each section, it will walk you through setting it up. You can set time limits between 40 minutes and two hours on screen time, set a passcode for restricted mode and link your accounts together with the family safety mode.

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Outreach Schedule

Monday	**St James Church** 71 East Barnet Rd New Barnet, London, Barnet, EN4 8RN and **Open Door Centre** (Barnet) - St Albans Rd, Barnet, EN5 4LA	9am to 12pm Drop in 1pm to 3pm Drop in
Tuesdays	**Barnfield Children's Centre** - Silkstream Rd, Edgware, HA8 0DA	9am to 12pm Drop in
Wednesdays	**BOOST@184 Childs Hill** - 184 Cricklewood Ln, Cricklewood, NW2 2DX and **South Friern Library** Colney Hatch Lane, N10 1HD	Every Wednesday 9am to 12pm Drop in Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 1pm to 4pm Drop in
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PARENT'S NOTICE BOARD

Fairway A Sure Start Children's Centre | Silkstream A Sure Start Children's Centre | Wingfield A Sure Start Children's Centre

Part of the West Locality 0-19 Services

Speech and Language Support

Fairway Children's Centre	Silkstream Children's Centre	Wingfield & Stonegrove Children's Centre
Thursday 5 March 9.15 - 11am	Monday 16 March 1 – 2.30pm	Wednesday 18 March 1 - 2.30 pm
Thursday 2 April 9.15 - 11 am	Thursday 19 March 1 - 2.30pm	Wednesday 8 April 1 – 2.30pm
Thursday 16 April 9.15 - 11am	Monday 30 March 1 - 2.30pm	Wednesday 29 April 1 – 2.30pm
	Monday 20 April 1 – 2.30pm	

Speech & Language Assistants attending universal groups

The Speech and Language Assistant will carry out an observation of your child in a natural play session and provides advice, guidance, reassurance and strategies. The service acts as a 'triage' and a gateway to individual assessment by a Speech and Language Therapist if required. If your child attends a nursery, the nursery will be requested to complete the referral to the Speech and Language Therapy Service. Children can also be referred following checks by Health Visitors and GPs.

If parents would like to advertise a community event that is happening in the local area please send the information to the school office and we may be able to tell other about it. office@barnfield.barnetmail.net

SPRING TERM 2020

Tuesday 7th January 2020
Friday 3rd April 2020

Half Term:
Monday 17th February 2020
Friday 21st February 2020

(school closed Monday 6th January for staff training)

SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April 2020
Tuesday 21st July 2020

Half Term:
Tuesday 26th May 2020
Friday 29th May 2020
Bank Holidays 8th & 25th May
(school closed Monday 6th January for staff training)

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 10th –12th March	Book Fair 3.10pm in Small Hall
Thursday 26th March	Parents evening by appointment
Thursday 31st March	Parents evening by appointment
Friday 3rd April	Easter Egg (Juniors) & Bonnet (Infant) Competition

Friday 3rd April End of Term 1.45pm

Monday 20th April	Children Return to school 8.55am
Friday 8th May	May Day Bank Holiday School Closed
Monday 11th May	KS2 SATs Week
Monday 18th May	Healthy Week

Friday 22nd May Half Term 3.10pm

Monday 1st June	School closed Inset Day
Tuesday 2nd June	Children Return 8.55am
Monday 22nd –Friday 26th June	Year 6 Tolmers Camp

Please note that school will close early on the last day of term. Children will need to be collected at 1.45pm. There will be no After School Club on this date. Please make sure you make suitable arrangements to ensure your child is collected on time.

A fixed penalty of £60 for each parent for each child will be issued should there are unauthorised absences, so please remember :

- **Children should attend school to the last day of term and return on the first day of a new term**
- **Any absences before or after a holiday or school day closure (for example when the school is used as a polling station) will be recorded as unauthorised**
- **Time off for travelling cannot be authorised!**
- **Time off to extend a holiday cannot be authorised!**
- **Time off to visit relatives as part of a long holiday cannot be authorised!**