

BARNFIELD NEWS



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Our virtual assemblies have been a wonderful time for our school community to come together. Today we discussed the different ways we can show our thanks to people who help us. As families, you are continuing to help your children access their work, keeping them in routines so they can work towards being the best they can be. **THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT,** we do know how tricky it can be.



Sharing of sad news



It is with great sadness that we share with you the passing of a much loved member of our community. Mrs Jeilani passed away from covid on Sunday 10th January. Many families will have known Mrs Jeilani and her beautiful family as they have been associated with our school community for many years. Our deepest sympathies go out to the family at this incredibly difficult time. We as a school community we be here to offer love and support, particularly for the younger girls.

The family have set up a go fund me page in memory <https://uk.gofundme.com/f/sadaqah-jariah-for-sauda-mukhtar>. Funds raised will help complete unfinished Masjid, build water wells and feed orphans. If you are in a position to make a donation that would be appreciated.

Thank you - Burnt Oak Women's Group



This week the amazing Burnt Oak Women's Group have again generously donated dried and fresh food to support our Barnfield families.

For the last 2 weeks we have been able to run a food market with the support of Burnt Oak Women's Group. Without this contact, we would not be able to offer this service.

The ladies are working tirelessly to support families in our community by organising collections, markets and drop offs. They also provide an incredible support local network.

Thank you to the wonderful ladies, some who are parents of our school, for your generosity and kindness. It is appreciated more than you know.

We will be running another food market next Wednesday 12-1.30pm. Please do come and take what you need.



Workshops



It was so wonderful to see over 65 families join us for our reading comprehension workshop this week. We were able to remind families about the importance of reading for pleasure, how to use bug club and some strategies to help with reading comprehensions. Please find attached the slides with this week's newsletter in case you weren't able to join us.

Nest week, Mr Quigley will be running a Maths workshop on Wednesday 27th January with a particular focus on supporting your child during this time. Please login with your children.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83891870998?pwd=ODV2cGhPQWlyN0l0amhoUnRaT2hKUT09>

Meeting ID: 838 9187 0998

Passcode: Barnfield



Importance of routines



As we are about to start our fourth week of home learning we thought it would be helpful to share some strategies for ensuring your child is able to access their work and more importantly, completes their work to a level that reflects their ability. We always expect our pupils to try their best.

Children should be able to independently complete the work our teachers are setting. They may need some help with the organising of resources and talking through their ideas. Some may even need prompting to get the work done.

During our assemblies this week we have reminded pupils about trying their best and turning in work which they and their teachers would be proud of.

We know home learning puts a lot of demands on families but we also know everyone wants our children to continue to move forward with their learning, together we can achieve this.

Helpful strategies to support home learning



- Going to bed at a reasonable time – making sure you get enough sleep.
- Waking up in time to have breakfast, wash and change out of your PJs before learning starts
- Joining in for the morning meets with your teacher
- Following the timetable your teachers have suggested
- Using the stream / tapestry messages to let adults know if you need help
- Reading your work before submitting
- Using TV / tablets / computers / online games as a motivator to complete work
- Being physical – going on for walks, having a screen break



Remote learning- contact



As part of our commitment to supporting pupils, families and ensuring our children are able to keep up with learning, our staff will continue to contact parents when children do not submit their school work.

This is part of our wider safeguarding responsibilities to make sure your child is ok, to find out what the difficulties are and how we can help. If we can not make phone contact we will make a home visit.

In the last week we have had a significant increase in requests for children to return to school. As part of our risk assessment we do have to ensure that only identified children who meet the current criteria are in school. The majority of children should be at home.

We are however very keen to work with families to help you support your child. If you are having any difficulties please do contact school via the school email or phone and we will be in touch.

