



Creative Curious Healthy Empathetic Ambitious
DREAM BELIEVE ACHIEVE

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Welcome back

**WELCOME BACK
TO SCHOOL!**

We have had a really productive first week back. It's been great going into classrooms and seeing the new learning topics children have been studying. Recently we have been focusing on helping the children make links with their current and previous learning. We call this retrieval opportunities. This can take the form of quizzes, key questions and different independent, paired and group activities.

Please continue to encourage your child to tell you about their learning. Some useful questions to ask include:

- Tell me something new you learnt today?
- What can you now do more confidently that you found trickier before?
- What book are you reading in class – tell me about the plot and what you think might happen next?

As part of our lessons, teachers look for ways to promote our key learning values:

Creative me

Curious me

Empathetic me

Healthy me

Ambitious me

Our behaviour rules are:

To be **Responsible**

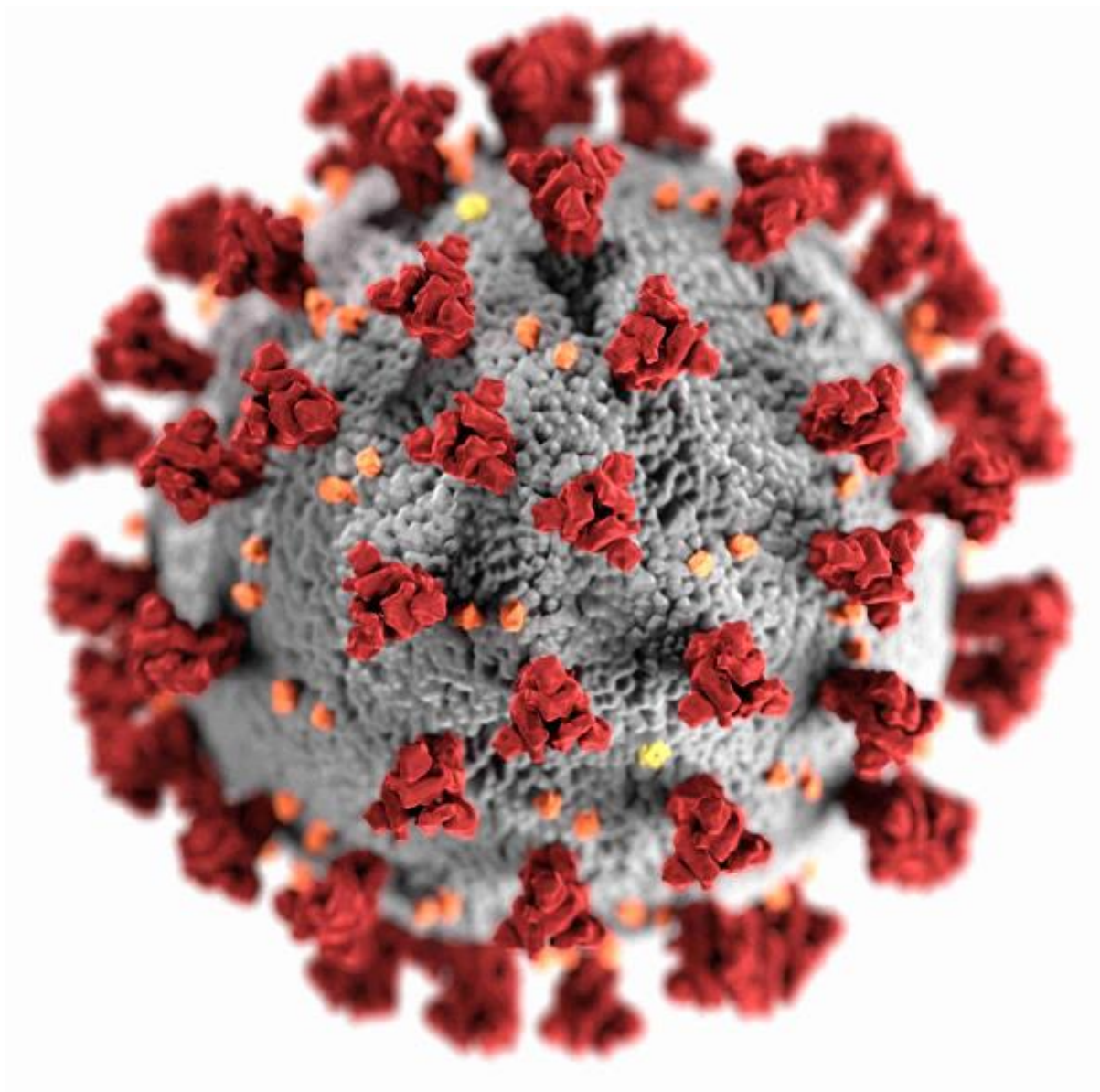
To be **Respectful**

To always be **Ready to Learn**

You can also ask some questions around our values and behaviour rules:

- What learning / task has encouraged you to be ambitious?
- How did you show empathy today in school?
- How were you healthy today in school?
- What have you done today to show you have been responsible in school?

Covid Update



As you are probably aware there is no longer the requirement for children and adults to self isolate if they test positive for covid.

We encourage our families to continue to test if your child starts to develop one of the three main symptoms. This is mainly because we are aware of the implications of long covid so it is useful to have a positive test recorded on your child's medical record.

We ask our parents to continue to work with us and only send your child into school if they are well enough.

Over the next few weeks we will be sharing the different ways we would like to invite our families into our school.

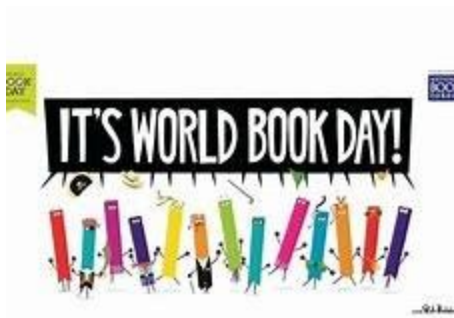
Parents evening will be held on Thursday 17th and Tuesday 22nd March. These will be face to face. A further letter will be sent shortly with more information.

Wet Weather Conditions:

As our corridors are really narrow, please only send your child into school with an umbrella if they do not have a hood.

The cloakrooms were very crowded this week and umbrellas are items that easily fall off pegs and can become a trip hazard. Your support is much appreciated.

WORLD BOOK DAY- Thursday 3rd March



We will be celebrating World Book Day in school on Thursday 3rd March. We will be having a fun-filled day all based around our favourite books. Children are invited to bring in their favourite book to share with their class and to dress up as their favourite book character. Parents and carers are reminded that there is no requirement to buy costumes for children to wear, here at Barnfield we embrace homemade costumes and look forward to celebrating enjoyment and love of books on this day.

In conjunction with World Book Day, our annual Barnfield Bingo competition is launching this week. Children in years 1 to 6 are invited to enter this reading challenge which lasts up until the Easter holidays. Information has been sent and look out for the challenge sheet which your child will bring home if they have chosen to enter.

Next week- look out for our stories created by all children across our school!

GALLERY EVENT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR



We are holding two gallery events for our families to view the creations made in Creativity Week.

The dates are:

Tuesday 8th March 3.05 to 4pm (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 families)

Thursday 10th March 3.05 to 4pm (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 families)

The gallery will take place in the gym, so after you pick your children up, come visit the exhibition and celebrate with us the children's creative endeavours. We look forward to seeing you there!





Barnfield School Community



Dear Barnfield Community,

We need your help! We are looking to renovate the old caretakers house to create a nurturing space to host future learning experiences for our children.

The house has great potential, but needs much love including a deep clean, painting, some physical maintenance such as sanding and woodwork.

In order to make this a safe, working space for the children, we need volunteers to help us achieve this. If you have skills in construction, are handy with a paintbrush or are a master with a sponge, we'd appreciate your time and support.

Please let the school know by emailing office@barnfield.barnetmail.net if you could support us with this endeavour. We aim to start this project after half term.

Sharyn Biggs

Red Nose Day



Our prefects and school councillors will be selling Red Noses on

Monday 14th

Tuesday 15th

Wednesday 16th March in the playground after school.

Red Noses are £1.50 – all money goes straight to supporting comic relief.

Children are able to wear their red noses in school on Friday 18th March.

Please support this great cause.

Star of the week



1H

Sofia - For showing care and understanding towards others' emotions

1L

Yazid - For showing a fantastic attitude towards learning and being ready to learn.

2A

Joseph - For being a wonderful role model to those around him!

2CW

Kate - Always being positive and a joy to have around the classroom!

3H

Zaid - For working so hard in every lesson and making his very best efforts in every day.

4P

Stefan - For having a wonderful attitude to his learning!

4V

Pavel - for making fabulous contributions in lessons. Well done

5G

Hashim - For being super respectful and a positive role model to all in 5G

5S

Emerton - For showing great improvements in his learning. There is a real difference in your work, well done!

6H

Viya - For always showing respect to others and being considerate of others thoughts and feelings.

6S

Elham - Amazing effort in all areas across the curriculum!

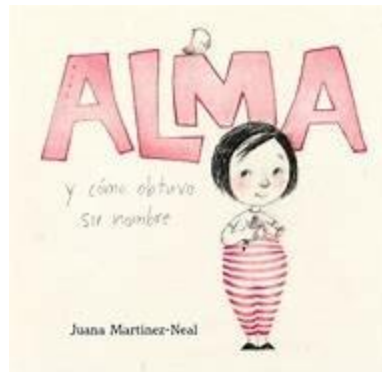
Staff Book Recommendations



Miss Silk is really enjoying reading baby books to Sebastian Silk before his bedtime. When he is older she will be reading her favourite stories of Winnie the Pooh and his adventures just like Miss Silk's mummy used to do with her.



Student Book Review



Name: Amber 6H

What book are you reading and who is the author?

Alma by Juana Martinez-Neal

How would you compare it to another book?

Book you are going to compare to: Goodnight Mr Tom

Similarities and Differences:

The similarities of Goodnight Mr Tom and Alma is that they both are about a little kid who loves adventures and is very curious. The differences are that Goodnight Mr Tom is about being an evacuee, and Alma is full of mystery and curiosity.

Why do you enjoy this book?

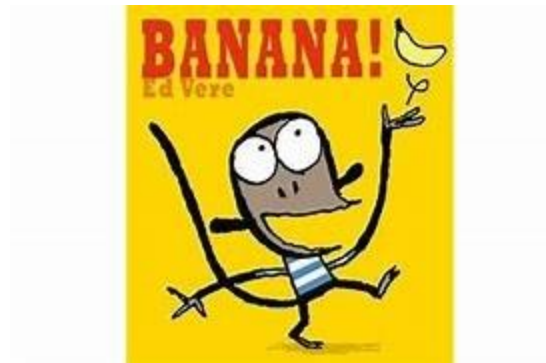
I enjoy this book/film because it is very mysterious and I also like that in the short film, there are moving dolls and things that are alive that shouldn't be alive.

How would you rate it out of 5 and why?

I rate it a 5 because the author included some jump scares when you weren't expecting it and they make it seem like Alma doesn't know what is happening inside the shop.

★★★★★

Curious Me- Nursery



This week in the Nursery, our focus book was called 'Banana' by Ed Vere. This story really made the nursery children laugh, as the two main characters expressed their enthusiastic love and need over ONE banana. Luckily the characters were able to resolve their issue by sharing the banana. This book challenged the children to use the illustrations to help them know the emotional tone they needed to use to read the story. We learnt this week where bananas come from and the process they go through to make it to our snack bowl. We developed our cooking skills by baking banana cakes. This challenged the children's fine motor muscles needed for writing, to 'mash' the bananas with a fork, before using their numeracy skills to measure out the other ingredients, mixing it all together and baking the cakes in the oven. The results were delicious!







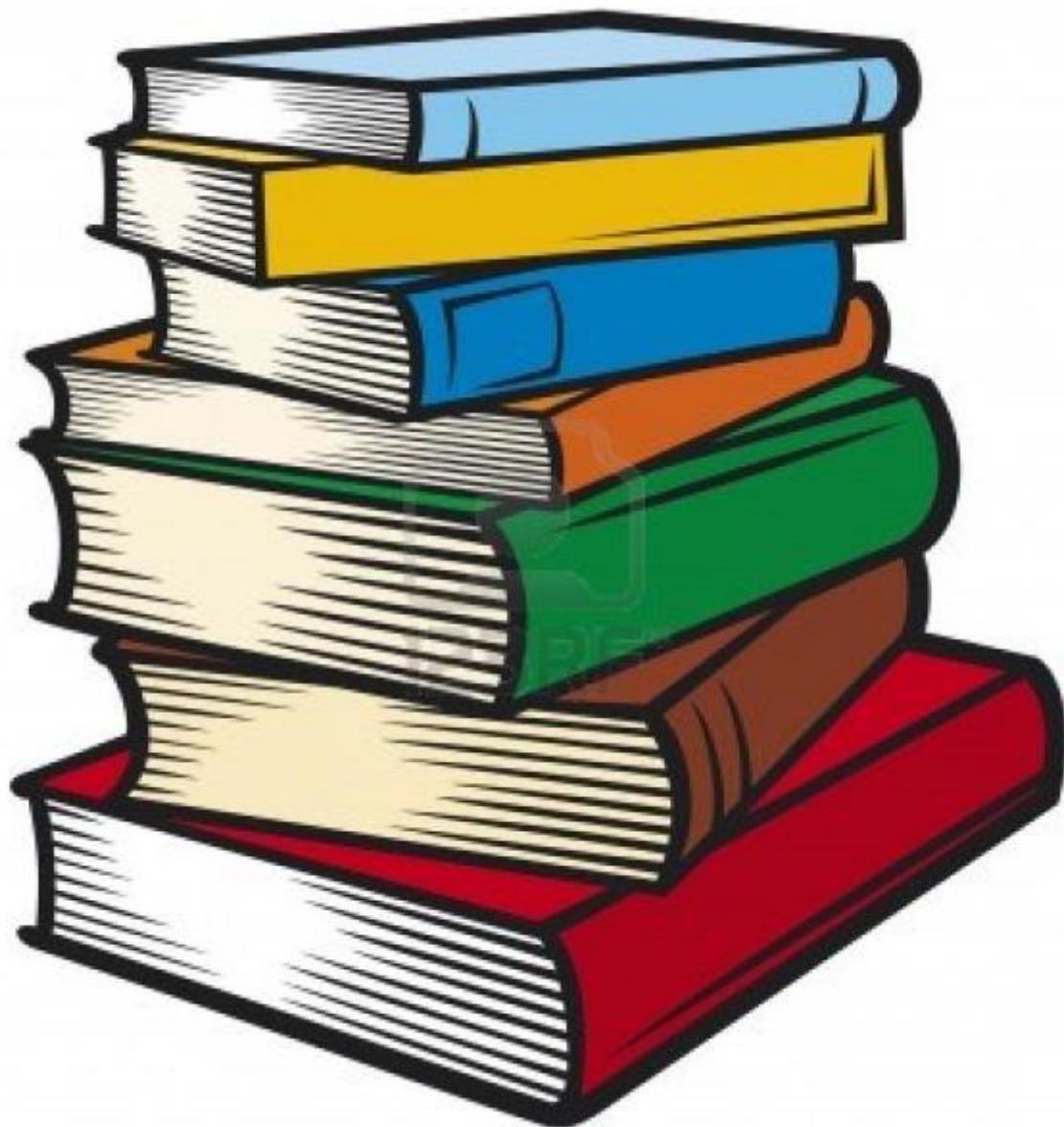


Local Food Bank



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School Library



Our School Library Needs You!

Do you have any unwanted, good quality children's books at home?

Our school library would love to have them.

Please bring them to the school office between Monday 21st – Friday 25th February.

Thank You

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Online Safety



Please find attached this weeks online safety guide for this week.

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Safeguarding



It is the responsibility of everyone to keep our children safe. If you have a concern about a child please ask to speak to one of our Safeguarding Officers – Ms Golding, Jackie or Mr Moore.

At Barnfield, we want everyone to be safe, healthy and happy.

If something is wrong and you'd like to talk, we will listen!

<p>Talk to an adult!</p> 	<p>Use the Worry Box</p> 	<p>Ask to see Ms Golding, Jackie or Mr Moore</p> 
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Don't keep it a secret if anyone is:

		
<p>saying upsetting things</p>	<p>not respecting your physical space</p>	<p>forcing you do something</p>
		
<p>hitting you or hurting you</p>	<p>writing hurtful things</p>	<p>using the internet to upset you</p>

Office Notices



Appointments

Parents should endeavour to make doctor/dentist appointments out of school hours, however, if this is not possible a copy of an appointment card must be shown at the office. We ask that parents

do not pick up children from school for an appointment after 2.30pm as this can lead to distractions in their classrooms.

If your child is absent for any reason, please make sure you inform the school office not just the teacher/pastoral care as sometimes the messages do not get passed on and it may result in you being contacted.

Absences

If your child is unwell, please contact the school office by 9.15am. You must contact the school every day of your child's absence. **School office 0208 952 6026**

From time to time, we know that children can be unwell with vomiting and diarrhoea. Please note that they should not return to school for **48 hours** after their last bout. We appreciate this is inconvenient, and you may not believe that your child is ill, but you will appreciate that we say this in **all** cases and it should reduce the risk of infection for all children in school.

Term dates



Please click on the link below for our term dates.

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