

Friday 27th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

So despite the rain all the children had a great time at **Countryside Live!** Thank you so much to all the parents who came to support the children especially those who came at the last minute in response to our call-out for help. Please have a look at the wonderful video of the day on our Facebook page – thank you to Natalie Sloan for this!

At Barn Croft one of the things we try to organise is a class trip every half term. That means 6 trips each year for each class. For a small school this is a tremendous strain on the allocation of staff to go on the trips. The additional teaching assistants need to be supporting individual children with additional needs to ensure that they are able to go on the trips. This means that the teacher has to look after the rest of the class much of the time. This is why it is so important we have the support of parents. This year the teachers are booking the trips well in advance and the dates will be in the newsletter every week so parents can plan ahead. I have had to make the decision that unless at least 3 or 4 parents are able to support each class trip with the teacher then I am going to have to cancel the trip on safety grounds. Teachers need to know that there are enough adults to keep eyes on all the children at all times and when out and about and on public transport this is extremely difficult to do on your own. **So please do look at the dates of trips in advance and try your very best to come along and support your child's class.**

We are going to be running a little workshop for parents soon on how to be a great trip helper!

Thank you for all the NSPCC Colour Run sponsorship money you have collected! The children have raised **£1,328.21 so far!!!** There will be a big THANK YOU Assembly from the NSPCC next week.

Have a great weekend!

Tracey Griffiths
Headteacher



Stars of the Week

Certificates this week have been awarded for

Reception - Tilda & Audrey
Year 1 - Clea & Max
Year 2 - Jemima & Kasper
Year 3 - Asma & Ishmael
Year 4 - Shania & Finn
Year 5 - Daniel & Amelie
Year 6 - Deimantas & Karina
Tea Time Club - Arthur

DIARY DATES



OCTOBER

Wed 16 th	Individual Photographs (moved from 3 rd Oct)
Thurs 17 th	Fancy Dress/Halloween Disco – Rec – year 2
Mon 21 st – 25 th	Half term – School Closed
Mon 28 th	Inset Day – School Closed
Tues 29 th	School re-opens
	Parents Meetings 3.40-7pm – All classes
Thurs 31 st	Parents Meetings 3.40-5.30pm – All classes
	Secondary School Application Deadline – Year 6

NOVEMBER

Wed 13 th	Natural History Museum – Year 3
Tues 26 th	Tate Modern – Year 2

Reception 2020 Open Days

We will be holding a series of open days in order to allow parents of children due to start Reception in September 2020 to look around the school prior to making their school applications. The dates for these events are:

Tuesday 1st October 9:30am

Tuesday 15th October 9.30am

Tuesday 29th October 9.30am

Tuesday 12th November 9.30am

Tuesday 26th November 9.30am

Tuesday 10th December 9.30am

Please contact school office to book your place.

Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6 then you will be looking to make a **Secondary School Application by the deadline of Wednesday 31st October 2019.**

Applications can be made on line through the link on our website or through the Waltham Forest website. If you are not sure about any aspect of the process, then please just ask us - **we can help!** If you have any questions then please enquire at the School Office.

Buxton School	Wednesday 2 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Chingford Foundation School	Wednesday 9 October 2019	5.45pm to 8.00pm
Connaught School for Girls	Thursday 3 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Eden Girls School, WF	Wednesday 9 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Frederick Bremer School	Wednesday 2 October 2019	5.30pm to 8.00pm
George Mitchell School	Tuesday 8 October 2019	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Heathcote School	Wednesday 2 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Highams Park School	Thursday 10 October 2019	5.30pm to 8.30pm
Kelmscott School	Thursday 27 October 2019	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Lammas School	Tuesday 1 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Leytonstone School	Wednesday 16 October 2019	5.00pm to 8.00pm
Norlington School	Thursday 10 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.00pm
South Chingford Foundation	Tuesday 1 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Walthamstow Academy	Thursday 3 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.00pm
Walthamstow School for Girls	Thursday 10 October 2019	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Willowfield Humanities College	Wednesday 9 October 2019	6.00pm to 8.00pm

School Nurse Clinic - Got a health related concern about your child?

Then come and see our School Nurse who can help!

If you have any child health concerns or questions that you would like to talk over with our School Nurse, or just need advice or support, then you can request an appointment at one of the sessions planned in our school. Appointments can either be one-offs for general advice and support, or can be followed up with the School Nursing Team or even referral to a professional if necessary and agreed. **Session appointments will run between 9.00am – 10.15am here in the school.**

If you would like to take advantage of this service please complete the slip below and hand in at the school office.

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School Nurse Clinic Appointment Request

Child Name _____

DOB _____ Class: _____

Requesting Parent / Carer Name: _____

Preferred session date: _____

Please note that although we will do our best to accommodate all requests you may be offered an alternative session to that requested. **Brief description of concern:** (so enough time can be allocated for your appointment. All information will be treated in confidence):



Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2019-2020

Autumn Term 2019 (75 days)

Monday 2nd September
Tuesday 3rd September

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**
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Wednesday 4th September

School Starts

Friday 18th October

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 21st October - Friday 25th October
28th October

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed** Monday
Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 29th October

School Starts

Friday 20th December

School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January

Christmas Holiday – **School Closed**

Spring Term 2020 (60 days)

Monday 6th January

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 7th January

School Starts

Friday 14th February

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 24th February

School Starts

Friday 3rd April

School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Monday 6th April – Friday 17th April

Easter Holiday – **School Closed**

Summer Term 2020 (60 days)

Monday 20th April

School Starts

Friday 8th May

VE Day Bank Holiday – **School Closed**

Friday 22nd May

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 1st June

School Starts

Friday 17th July

School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Monday 20th July

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Barn Croft Clubs

Summer Term – Running from Monday 23rd September – Friday 13th December 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	<i>Breakfast Club £2.50 per session – no booking necessary, please just turn up</i>	<i>Breakfast Club £2.50 per session – no booking necessary, please just turn up.</i>	<i>Breakfast Club £2.50 per session – no booking necessary, please just turn up</i>	<i>Breakfast Club £2.50 per session – no booking necessary, please just turn up</i>	<i>Breakfast Club £2.50 per session – no booking necessary, please just turn up</i>
After School	<p>KS2 Champion Kids (CP)</p> <p>Rec & KS1 Construction Club (lego/knex/junk modelling) (DP)</p> <p>Gardening (Mixed sessions) (LD)</p> <p>KS2 Knitting & Sewing (GA & SW)</p> <p>Rec & KS1 Multisports (AA & AS)</p>	<p>Helen O'Grady Drama (all classes welcome - please ask at the office for an information letter)</p> <p>KS1 & KS2 Cooking Club (SM & LB)</p> <p>Rec & KS1 Arts & Crafts (SN & FA)</p> <p>KS2 Dance Club/Yoga (TK & JS)</p> <p>KS1 & KS2 Board Games (LR)</p>		<p>KS2 Sports Club (LS)</p> <p>Gardening (Mixed sessions) (LD)</p> <p>KS2 Science Club (AM)</p> <p>Rec & KS1 Mindfulness Colouring (JS)</p>	<p>Rec & KS1 Dance Club (RL)</p> <p>KS1 & KS2 Singing/Choir (DG)</p> <p>KS2 Times Table Club (OC)</p>

We have spaces in the following clubs if you would like to sign your child/ren up to another club or two. Please see the school office for more information.

KS1 & KS2 Board Games – Tuesdays
Rec & KS1 Arts & Crafts – Tuesdays
KS2 Timetable Club – Fridays
Rec & KS1 Mindfulness Colouring – Thursdays
KS2 Dance/Yoga – Tuesdays
KS2 Knitting/Sewing – Mondays
Rec & KS1 Multisports – Mondays
Rec & KS1 Dance Club – Fridays

Don't forget to visit our website! www.barncroftprimaryschool.org



Reception Class and KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

Fancy Dress & Halloween Disco

Date: Thursday 17th October

Time: 3:30 – 4:30pm

Place: School Hall

Ticket Cost: £1.50 per child



Tickets on the door - Bag of popcorn and drinks included!

Parent/Guardian Information

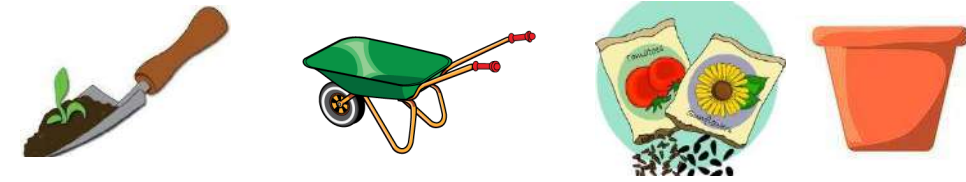
- 🕷️ Please pick up your child as normal from school and take them to the hall. Children without a parent or guardian will not be allowed in!
- 🕷️ Don't forget an outfit that your child can change into at the end of the school day if they wish to wear one.
- 🕷️ Parents and guardians are expected to stay (siblings welcome). Coffee and cake can be provided in a separate room so you can have a relaxing chat whilst the little-ones boogie!





*Barn Croft Primary invites
you to be part of our family
community gardening project-*
FIRST PLOT, HONEYBONE ALLOTMENTS,
LOW HALL LANE, E17 (OPPOSITE THE
PUMP MUSEUM)

Please come along - we need your help!



Parents & children - please join us
at the allotment on the following
days for our teacher led open
sessions:

~~**Saturday 28th September 12-4pm**~~ (Cancelled but
will be rescheduled)

Saturday 26th October 12-4pm

Mud Alert! Dress for the weather and wear wellies.
Bring your own tools and snacks, and we will provide tea for
the grown ups.

Toilets will be available at the school.

Website! www.barncroftprimaryschool.org



Healthier school packed lunch boxes

Pick a healthier packed lunch!

A Guide to Building...

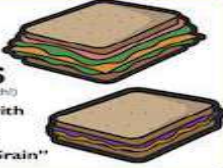

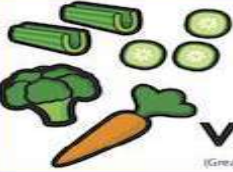
Healthy Snacks & Lunchbox

P2iP

Bring **WATER** everyday!

Putting tap water in a reusable bottle is FREE and will help keep your child hydrated all day!



<h3>Whole Grains</h3> <p>(Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p> <p>Make sandwiches with whole grain bread. Look for labels that say "100% Whole Grain"</p> 	<h3>Fruit</h3> <p>(Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p> <p>Pack fresh fruit each day for snack and lunch. These are easy, convenient ways to add fruits to your day</p> 
<p>Pack healthy snacks each day. Add a healthy sweet or savory treat. Try whole grain crackers and pretzels for savory snacks or dried fruits for sweet treats.</p> <h3>Snacks</h3> 	<p>Add veggies in your child's lunch. They add a healthy crunch instead of chips.</p> <h3>Veggies</h3> <p>(Great for Snack or Lunch!)</p> 

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Packed lunches or school dinners?

These days, school dinners are probably healthier than most packed lunches. But if you want to make a packed lunch, then please choose healthy options.

Here is a list of items which are **NOT** allowed in a packed lunch:

Nuts – we are a nut-free school

Glass bottles or dishes

Water Only – No fizzy or sugary drinks (including juices, sweetened or unsweetened)

Chocolates

Sweets

Hot food or drinks

Cutlery (school will provide)