

The Barn Croft Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

We started the week with our first Fire drill of the year – and it went incredibly well! The children left the building and lined up quickly and quietly! We do drills regularly so that the children know exactly what to do when the bell rings.

We had a really good turn out for the first school tour for prospective parents for Reception class 2023!! We are running these throughout the Autumn Term so if you have any friends who would like to look around with a view to their child starting Reception class in 2023 please direct them to the website where they can find the dates. We also do have some places available in other classes throughout the school.

Next week we have a Barn Croft POETRY WEEK!! The children will all be looking at the poetry of a range of poets and creating their own poems. They will use the creative arts to then perform their poetry at our Friday morning Poetry Slam in the Hall. I cannot wait!!

A reminder to you all to please try to come along to the first Friends of Barn Croft Coffee Morning on Tuesday 4th October at 9am. And that the Friends of Barn Croft Annual General Meeting is being held on Thursday 6th October at 6.30-7.30pm in the school hall. This will be a chance for you all to discuss upcoming fund raising events and to offer any help you can give.

The weather is turning slightly chillier now – please make sure that your children bring their coats to school in case the weather is cold or rainy.

Have a lovely weekend! Is anyone running the marathon?

Tracey Griffiths

Headteacher

Key Diary Dates

24th October - 28th October
Half Term
School Closed

31st October
Children return to School

16th December
Last day of Term
2:00pm finish

19th December – 2nd January 2023
Christmas Holiday
School Closed

3rd January
Staff Training Day
School Closed

4th January
Children return to School

13th February-17th February
Half Term Holiday
School Closed

STARS OF THE WEEK

Certificates this week have been awarded for *Reading*



Reception – Digby & Paz
Year 1 – Arthur & Mabel
Year 2 – Samuel & Winnie
Year 3 – Alessia & Dylan D
Year 4 – Mirhat & Nateisha
Year 5 – Casey & Lucia
Year 6 – Billy & Makayla
Tea Time Club – Artin – Year 4



Hot Chocolate Friday

Reception - Jason
Year 1 – Annie
Year 2 – Zoe
Year 3 – Anelka
Year 4 – Levana
Year 5 - Darragh
Year 6 - Denzel



Understanding your child's behaviour A Solihull Approach group for parents and carers



- ☐ Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- ☐ Would you like a better understanding of your child's behaviour?
- ☐ Do you know why your child has emotional outbursts?
- ☐ Would you like a chance to meet with other parents with children of a similar age?

We will be running a group for parents and carers at Barn Croft Primary School.

The group is based on an approach developed in Solihull that has been helpful to parents and carers and has been shown to improve children's behaviour. It is a non-judgemental, supportive space where we share ideas and

encourage one another. The sessions will be run by: Chris Moses and Helen English.
We will explore issues like:

- ❖ Having fun together
- ❖ Development needs
- ❖ Behaviour difficulties
- ❖ Communication
- ❖ Parenting styles
- ❖ Sleep

The group will be run for two hours once a week for 10 weeks, every Thursday. Groups do not run in the school holidays.

The first meeting will take place on **Thursday 22nd September 2022 at 9:00- 11:00 am.**

The group is free of charge and places will be filled on a first come first serve basis. Refreshments will be served.

If you're interested in joining the group, please contact the office prior to the first meeting. Also, feel free to contact any of the group leaders for more information.

PARENTING COURSE

THURSDAYS

9-11AM

Our second parenting course has just started. It is not too late to join.

The sessions will be facilitated by Mrs Moses, Mrs Sandy and Helen English and will cover all sorts of aspects of being a parent and supporting your child/ren. It will be a safe space for parents to talk, listen and share ideas and to hopefully be supported with tips and advice from our team. Please do get in contact with the office for more information or to book a place. It is of course free and confidential.

Early Years Storytelling Hub

Story 'n' Rhyme Parent/Carer Session at Barn Croft Primary School

Start date: 5th October 2022

Days of session: Every Wednesday afternoon

How often: Weekly (term time)

Session Time: 2.00pm - 3.00pm

**Call 020 8521 1145 to book your place
or just come along**

Waltham Forest



BARN CROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL

RECEPTION 2022 OPEN DAYS

We will be holding a series of open days in order to allow parents of children due to start Reception in September 2023 to look around the school prior to making their school applications. The dates for these events are:

TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2022 @9:30AM

TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2022 @9:30AM

TUESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2022 @9:30AM

TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2022 @9:30AM

TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2022 @9:30AM

TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2023 @9:30AM

EMAIL US TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

School@barncroft.waltham.sch.uk

www.barncroftprimaryschool.org

FOBC CALENDAR

TUESDAY 4TH OCT - MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING @ 9.10AM

- COFFEE MORNINGS WILL BE HELD THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
- MEET AT SCHOOL KITCHEN/HALL
- ENTER VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE
- EVERYONE WELCOME

THURSDAY 6TH OCT @ 6.30PM - AGM

- SCHOOL HALL

FRIDAY 4TH NOV - HALLOWEEN DISCO

- FOR RECEPTION, YEARS 1 & 2
- MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

THURSDAY 10TH NOV - ART FUNDRAISER 7-10PM

- RUN BY EMMA - TETRAPACK PRINTING

SATURDAY 12TH NOV - ART FUNDRAISER

- RUN BY EMMA - TETRAPACK PRINTING

SATURDAY 3RD DEC - WINTER FAIR

Advent Window Trail

Make your window part of the Advent Window Trail this December, as we come together to bring festive family fun to the local area.

It's absolutely free

Decorated windows will pop up every day throughout December, and once you're signed up, you will be given the date for your window to be ready.

Central Estates are sponsoring the trail again this year and will provide a board for each house.

All funds go to the local food bank PL84U

To take part, please send your name and address to the email below here by the 4th Nov

SIGN UP HERE
THEADVENTWINDOW
TRAIL@GMAIL.COM





Do you know a young person who loves to sing? 🎵

E17 YOUNG SINGERS is a new choir in Waltham Forest for children aged 7-14 who love singing and making music, and who want to share in a creative learning experience. Any child who wishes to join is welcome, and no audition is necessary. Our goal is to help kids enjoy the benefits of group singing, develop musical awareness, build friendships, and have fun through the discipline of choral singing.

WHERE? Rehearsals are at St Barnabas Church on Thursdays from 6:30-7:15pm

WHEN? Rehearsals begin Thursday September 15th at 6:30pm

WHO? Choir Leaders are Gillian Keith and Tom Randle, professional singers living in E17

WHAT? We sing music in a variety of styles, suitable for all levels of experience

COST? £48 for the term (works out to £4 per session) Payable after 3rd session

Have a look at our **WEBSITE:** e17youngsingers.wixsite.com to see our term dates, videos from recent performances, and further information on who we are.

EMAIL: e17youngsingers@gmail.com with any questions!



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Services

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Educational Psychology Service Free Monthly Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions

Dates:

28th September 2022
12th October 2022
23rd November 2022
7th December 2022
18th January 2023
1st February 2023
15th March 2023
12th April 2023
10th May 2023
14th June 2023
12th July 2023

To book a 30 minute
consultation, please
contact our
Business
Support Officer
below

EDUCATIONAL
PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Thorpe Hall School
123 Hale End Road
E17 4DP

Phone: 020 8496 1732
Mobile: 07776589597
Email:
educationalpsychology@walthamforest.gov.uk

Do you have concerns about your
child?

Would you like to talk to an
Educational
Psychologist in confidence?

Appointment Only Sessions

Afternoon sessions are 12.30-2pm
Evening Sessions are 3.00- 5.00

Individual consultation with an Educational
Psychologist are offered via phone/zoom or in person for
Parents and Carers living in London Borough Waltham
Forest.

Sessions last for no more than 30 minutes and provide an
opportunity to ask any questions or discuss concerns
with a member of our culturally diverse Educational
Psychology Team.

Educational Psychologists are qualified specialists in child psychology and child
development, with particular expertise in supporting children and young people with
special educational needs, learning difficulties, and social, emotional and behaviour
difficulties. All LBWF Educational Psychologists are registered with the Health
Care Professionals Council.

For All Year 6 Parents

You would have received a letter with the Secondary School Application details below, please apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk deadline is **31st October 2022**.

Timeline for Secondary applications

If your child is currently in year 6 in junior or primary school you will need to apply for a year 7 place for them to start in September 2023. **The deadline for making an on time application is 31 October 2022.**

1	Read this brochure before you apply so you are fully informed before you make your application.
2	Find out all the information you need to know about the schools you are interested in. This should include admissions criteria, which will tell you how the places are offered. This will help you to make your decision about which preferences to list. Waltham Forest Schools are listed on pages 16–49. School open evenings are listed on page 7.
3	Submit your application by 31 October 2022. You can do this by making an online application via www.eadmissions.org.uk . You must apply by no later than 11.59pm on the day for your application to be on time. Please do not leave it to the last day to submit your application to ensure it is received in time. Please note if you have not applied online before, you will need to register first. You will then receive a user name and password. Please keep a careful note of these, as you will need these every time you go into your eadmissions account. Please note that you will receive an application reference number once your application has been submitted online. Please keep this safe.
4	Submit any supplementary information forms by 31 October 2022. Some schools require you to complete a supplementary information form. You should complete and submit the form directly to the school by the closing date. If the schools are outside Waltham Forest, please check with their local authority. You should also submit your proof of address as indicated on page 9 of this brochure by the closing date.
5	National Offer Day is on 1 March 2023. This is the date when we release the outcome of your application. If you apply online you will receive a text in the evening of 1 March 2023. If you apply using a paper application form your letter will be posted on 1 March by first class post. You should receive your letter on 2 March 2023.
6	15 March 2023 – you must accept or decline your offer by this date. If you applied online, you can do this by going into your eadmissions account. If you applied on paper, you must return the reply slip you receive with your letter.
7	Appeals – If you wish to make an appeal for a community school, you should do so by 30 March 2023. Academies, trust, free and voluntary aided schools have details of how to appeal on their website.

School open evenings

School	Date	Time
Buxton School	Thursday 13 October 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Chingford Foundation School	Thursday 29 September 2022	5.45pm to 8.00pm
Connaught School for Girls	Thursday 29 September 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Eden Girls School, Waltham Forest	Thursday 13 October 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Frederick Bremer School	Wednesday 5 October 2022	5.30pm to 8.00pm
George Mitchell School	Tuesday 11 October 2022	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Heathcote School & Science College	Wednesday 5 October 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Highams Park School	Thursday 13 October 2022	5.30pm to 8.30pm
Holy Family Catholic School and Sixth Form	Thursday 22 September 2022	6.00pm to 8.00pm
Kelmscott School	Wednesday 28 September 2022	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Lammas School and Sixth Form	Tuesday 4 October 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Leytonstone School	Wednesday 12 October 2022	5.00pm to 8.00pm
Norlington School and 6th Form	Thursday 29 September 2022	6.00pm to 8.00pm
South Chingford Foundation School	Wednesday 28 September 2022	6.00pm to 8.30pm
Walthamstow Academy	Thursday 6 October 2022	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Walthamstow School for Girls	Thursday 29 September 2022	5.30pm to 8.00pm
Willowfield School	Thursday 6 October 2022	6.00pm to 8.00pm

When you visit a school, make sure you give yourself enough time to see everything you want to see. There will be a chance to be shown around the school, talk to students and teachers and ask any questions you may have about the school.

A school admissions officer may be in attendance if requested by the school to answer any questions about the application process.

Please note some schools may be holding their open evening virtually. Please see the school websites for more information.



Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2022-2023

Autumn Term 2022 (72 days)

Thursday 1st September
Friday 2nd September

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**
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Monday 5th September

School Starts

Friday 21st October

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 31st October

School Starts

Friday 16th December

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

Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January

Christmas Holiday – **School Closed**

Spring Term 2023 (59 days)

Tuesday 3rd January

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Wednesday 4th January

School Starts

Friday 10th February

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 20th February

School Starts

Friday 31st March

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

Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April

Easter Holiday – **School Closed**

Summer Term 2023 (64 days)

Monday 17th April

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 18th April

School Starts

Monday 1st May

Bank Holiday – **School Closed**

Friday 26th May

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 5th June

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 6th June

School Starts

Friday 21st July

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