## The Barn Croft Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week here — whilst trying to dodge all the winter bugs and viruses which seem to be even more prevalent since 2 years of covid! Please keep your child at home if they have a temperature — a temperature is indicative of something that could be very catching! Once a temperature has gone and the child is feeling well enough to return then they can of course come back. We are being very pressured at the moment to improve attendance since the Government set new targets especially for local authorities. However, our view remains the same — if your child is unwell then they should stay at home. Please don't send them in if they are unwell.

Y6 have been having a 2 day workshop delivered by an organisation called Tender about Healthy Relationships. This is part of the Personal Social & Emotional curriculum and is part of their transition to secondary school work and supports them in understanding what a healthy relationship looks and feels like – this will hopefully empower them to choose their friends wisely as they move on from primary school.

I am also liaising with Project Zero at the moment to organise some trips to their youth centre for years 4, 5 and 6 in January. This will give the children a taste of the activities they can try out there and hopefully give them the confidence to start going to their youth programmes in the evenings and in the holidays. The work that Steve Barnabis and his team do there is wonderful and gives our young people a safe place to be and socialise and get support from mentors and youth leaders.

It is our Winter Fayre tomorrow – please do come along and bring your family and friends! A big thank you in advance to everyone who has helped get this together this year especially Kat and Natasha!

Next Wednesday we will be filming the children singing the song You're The Voice ready to release the song and video in time for Christmas. Please support your children in learning the words – you can use the karaoke-style video on youtube to sing along to at home!! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lHbmiGN9GZk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lHbmiGN9GZk</a>

We will be doing a crowdfunder to aim to raise £50,000 for the school and to plug the hole in our budget caused by underfunding. The BBC Radio London team will be covering the release of the single and maybe others too on TV and radio.....watch this space!!!

Before the end of term can I please ask that everyone makes sure they have paid for all music lessons, Breakfast Club, Tea Time Club and dinner monies before 16th December. From next term we would ask that music lessons in particular are paid for upfront where possible – if not then please talk to the office – as we have to pay upfront for them from our budget. Many thanks for your cooperation in this.

So all in all a very busy and exciting time at Barn Croft! See you all tomorrow – let's hope for some sun and no rain. I'm particularly looking forward to cake!

Thank you to everyone for your amazing support for our lovely school!

Have a great weekend.

**Tracey Griffiths** 

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Certificates this week have been awarded for Writing



Reception – Frankie & Yasmin Year 1 – Chloe & Hadi Year 2 – Phoebe & Zoe Year 3 – Isaac & Maryam Year 4 – Izabela & Leonardo Year 5 – Eliza & Jay Year 6 – Dylan & Mohamed Tea Time Club – Eliza – Year 5



#### **Hot Chocolate Friday**

Reception – Suellen Year 1 – Hanaa Year 2 – Reuben Year 3 – Ali Year 4 – Nateisha Year 5 – Lily Year 6 – Anisa

# Key Diary Dates

3<sup>rd</sup> December Winter Fair

9th December
Early Years Christmas
Show — Parents Welcome
9:30-10:30am

13<sup>th</sup> December Year 1&2 Christmas Show Parents Welcome 9:30-10:00am

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

19<sup>th</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup>
January 2023
Christmas Holiday
School Closed

3<sup>rd</sup> January Staff Training Day School Closed

4<sup>th</sup> January
Children return to School

13th February - 17th
February
Half Term
School Closed

**20**<sup>th</sup> **February** Children return to School

31st March Last day of Term 2:00pm finish





### 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 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:** 

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### Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2022-2023

### Autumn Term 2022 (72 days)

Thursday 1st September Staff Training Day – School Closed Friday 2nd September Staff Training Day – School Closed

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 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