# The Barn Croft Bulletin

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we have reached the end of the year - really not in the way I was expecting! I have not been able to return to school since last week due to Covid. It is the first time I have ever missed the last week of school in all the time I have been teaching and it really isn't a nice feeling. It has made me realise how enormously important our endings and goodbyes are. Without them things feel left undone.

I would like to say a big well done and goodbye to Y6 who leave primary school today ready to go to secondary school. They have been a wonderful class who have been on an incredible journey of learning together. They have become a fantastic team even though they are only 20 strong and I wish them every success for their future. I am so sorry I was not there to give them a hug and wish them well.

I want to say a huge thank you to our amazing staff at Barn Croft. We are an incredible team - I have never worked with such a dedicated group of people but this year has been particularly difficult for them because I have not been around for periods of time. They have carried on regardless but I know the responsibility of being a leader and I know that my absence has been difficult for them. But they have held me and supported me and allowed me the time I needed without judgement or pressure. I wish them a lovely holiday and well deserved rest. And I look forward to starting a new year afresh with them in September.

And I wish all the children a happy holiday with lots of fun and relaxation. They have all worked so hard. It has not been easy for them readjusting to life after the pandemic but they have really done well to renew friendships and learn patience and tolerance again. They are the reason we do what we do and I have missed them so much at times this year. Hot Choc Friday has not been consistent in the last few weeks due to my absence but please reassure them that this will be remedied in September and they will get to have their time with me and their photo taken!

Please read the letter regarding the leadership structure of the school which has gone out. I want to again express my thanks to Mrs Moses. She is stepping down to one day a week and will focus on working with parents. She has been absolutely pivotal in getting our school to where it is now. Her love and grace and wisdom has helped me to lead our wonderful school and I am so grateful she is going to still be keeping her eye on me each week! Ms Nair joined us in January as our new SENDCo and is doing an incredible job - I am so proud to have her on our team! And finally a massive thank you to Miss Kelly. The work she has done on our curriculum and on our teaching learning and assessment has been a monumental task and her support in the continued and consistent running of the school has been so appreciated. I know she will agree with me that it has been a huge learning curve! Obviously my senior leadership team has been supported by all of the staff in so many ways and I thank them for all the extra things they have done.

Finally I thank all of you, the parents, for your support and love for our school. I know things have been difficult at times but you have stuck with us and worked with us to solve problems. And your efforts to make our summer fair so successful were incredible. I wish you all a wonderful summer! If you need anything over the summer please email us at <u>school@barncroft.waltham.sch.uk</u> as this address will be monitored over the holidays.

My best wishes and love to you all **Tracev Griffiths** 

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Certificates this week have been awarded for Star of the Year



Request If anyone has a spare Washing Machine in good working order that you are able to donate, please let the School know Thank you! Reception – Belis & Harry Year 1 – Nina & Phoebe Year 2 – Luqmaan & Mio Year 3 – Clea & Max Year 4 – Ella & Joel Year 5 – Karima & Sujan Year 6 – Jesse & Liam



Have a lovely Summer Holiday everyone!

See you back on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September

## Key Diary Dates

21<sup>st</sup> July Last Day of Term 2pm Finish

1<sup>st</sup> September Staff Training Day-School Closed

2<sup>nd</sup> September Staff Training Day-School Closed

5<sup>th</sup> September Children Return to School

Here are the links to a poster and booklet to encourage families to think about self care over the summer. Please have a read.

SCS primaryposter v3 (annafreud.org)

<u>my-self-care-plan-</u> <u>180722.pdf</u> (annafreud.org)

## KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022

#### MORRISONS



Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

#### ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

#### DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the instore cafe.

YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

#### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

#### **HUNGRY HORSE**

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

#### IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

#### **BELLA ITALIA**

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

#### DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

#### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

#### CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

#### MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.



# BARN CROFT INVITES YOU TO OUR

# ALLOTMENT COMMUNITY DAYS!

Wednesday 27th July 2022 Wednesday 3rd August 2022 Wednesday 10th August 2022 Wednesday 17th August 2022

11-2pm

FIRST PLOT, HONEYBONE ALLOTMENTS, LOW HALL LANE, E17 (OPPOSITE THE PUMP MUSEUM)

Please come along - we really need your help! Our Allotment is in need of regeneration! Beds need to be dug, trees need to be pruned, rubbish needs to be binned- we appreciate your help!

Parents and Children are Welcome! Drop in anytime between 11-2pm Please bring your own tools, snacks and refreshments. Unfortunately, there will be no access to toilets.









# Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021 (73 days)	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Staff Training Day – School Closed Staff Training Day – School Closed Staff Training Day – School Closed
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	School Starts School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November Friday 17th December	School Starts School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term
Monday 20th December – Monday 3rd January	Christmas Holiday – School Closed
Spring Term 2022 ( 59 days)	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	School Starts School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	School Starts School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday - School Closed
Summer Term 2022 ( 63 days)	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	School Starts
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Friday 27th May	School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Starts School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2022-2023	
Autumn Term 2022 (72 days)	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Staff Training Day – School Closed Staff Training Day – School Closed
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	School Starts School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October Friday 16th December	School Starts 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 4 <sup>th</sup> January Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	School Starts School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b> Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School Starts 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 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Staff Training Day - School Closed
<mark>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June</mark> Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	School Starts School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term