The Barn Croft Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to our Meet The Teacher sessions next week. They will be held on Wednesday 29th September at 4pm and you will be sent a Zoom link by the office on Tuesday. This will give the teachers an opportunity to go through the day to day things that you need to know as well as then being able to answer any general questions you might have about the school day or the curriculum. If you need to speak with the teacher about anything more specific to your child then please do make an appointment to see them another time.

Next week we have a Y3 & Y4 Girls Football tournament with some other local schools so we wish them lots of luck but most of all hope that they have lots of fun!

We are also having our Mini Marathon to raise some money for special PE equipment. If you would like to donate something please go to ParentMail and add it to the Mini Marathon Fund.

I have had some concerns raised by parents about the way cyclists are behaving on South Access Road and Essex Road next to the park - riding too fast and shouting at children who are in their way! I too have some concerns about the whole road quietening works that have been done in this area especially right outside our gates on South Access Road. There are still cars & motorbikes driving down the road - some even covering their number plates so they do not get caught on the cameras. Please please please reiterate to your children that they MUST still use the zebra crossing and not walk out from the gate and across to the park. We are telling them this all the time and use it when we go across to the park. When they open the new gate to the park on the corner this is only going to be even more of a temptation for children to run straight across to go into the park. So I am going to be composing a letter to the council to ask for more signage and what can be done further to stop the cars & motorbikes racing down South Access Road. If you have any examples you wish me to include please do email us.

I do hope you read our letter regarding the collection of toiletries etc so we can set up a bank for families to use. We have decided to call it the Barn Croft Share Shop - this is more generic and means that people can bring something to share as well as take something they need <u>if they want to.</u>

I am also adding washing detergents and fabric conditioners to the list because these too can become very expensive items in a weekly shop. Please do start to bring in your donations to the office - if all those who can, buy one item in their weekly shopping for £1 then we will quickly build up a good stock.

Finally, a big THANK YOU to those people who have already donated to the School Fund for this year - every penny helps us to provide the music teaching on Mondays, extra books we need for the library, additional equipment for the gardening and forest school activities and extra equipment for the playground. Not being able to have the Summer & Winter Fairs for the past couple of years has really left us short on those extras so we really appreciate it!!

Tracey Griffiths Headteacher

Stars of the Week

Certificates this week have been awarded for Maths

Reception – Doran & Hanaa Year 1 – Alice & Samuel Year 2 – Ali & Lilly-Hazel Year 3 – Levana & Liam Year 4 – Arti & Joel Year 5 – Anabel & Ishmael Year 6 – Liam & Inaaya Tea Time Club – Leon & Ada – Reception



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29th September – Meet the Teacher Zoom at 4:00pm

Friday 22nd October – Last day of Half -Term

Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October – Half Term Holiday

Monday 1st November – Children return to School

School email:

School@barncroft.waltham.s ch.uk

School Website:

www.barncroftprimaryschoo l.org

Hot Chocolate

Reception – Mabel Y1 – Aniah Y2 – Seanna Y3 – Dot Y4 – Jemima Y5 - Denzel Y6 – Zunairah

Tissue Boxes

Please can you donate some tissue boxes to the office for the children to use. Thank you!!

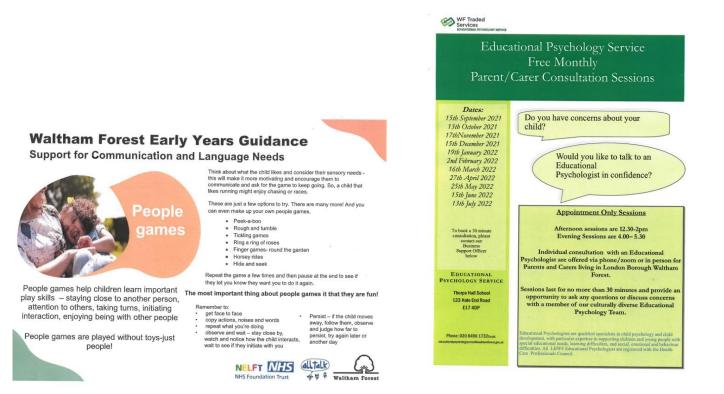




Downloading a new app or game is so quick and straightforward that, whenever a young person uses a smartphone (either their own or a parent's) there's always the possibility that they could expose themselves to inappropriate content (such as games with violent scenes or apps featuring adult themes) simply by sheer accident or, more likely, through youthful curiosity.

Fortunately, the parental controls you'll find on most smartphones are an excellent way of minimising this possibility. They don't completely remove the element of risk – but they do limit it considerably. Our #WakeUpWednesday guides this week steer you through the process of setting up this useful protection on iPhone and Android smartphones.

E-safety Guides for Schools | National Online Safety Online Safety Guides



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and help us raise money!



We have a small box for recycling in the reception for your ink cartridges









Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021 (73 days)

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