

# The Barn Croft Newsletter

*Courage, Love, Excellence*

Dear Parents & Carers,

I thought Spring was on the way!!! And now this much colder and wetter weather arrives! Oh well – at least we have not had the snow that many parts of England are having at the moment. Only 2 weeks until those clocks spring forward!!

This week Y4 have been on 2 class trips in the local area to listen to the sounds in different environments – the local market and Walthamstow Wetlands. Well done Y4 for making your trips despite the cold wet weather!!

Mrs Sandy also took some girls from KS1 to a football festival – they really enjoyed it and did well.

You will soon see a planning application letter appear on our school gates – for the solar panels to go on our roof!!! This is very exciting news and shows all your hard work in raising the money being put into action!!

A separate letter has gone out this afternoon regarding the teacher strikes next week on **15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March**.

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March!** Children can come to school either dressed up as a book character or in the pyjamas ready for a bedtime story on that day. Please do not feel you need to buy anything new for this day!! We will have lots of different activities and staff will be dressed up too – an exciting day! On that day Friends of Barn Croft will also hold a book sale after school to raise money for new books for the school.

Have a good weekend!

Tracey Griffiths  
Headteacher

## Key Diary Dates

**15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
Teacher Strike  
School Closed

**17<sup>th</sup> March**  
William Morris  
Year 3 Trip

**23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
World Book Day

**24<sup>th</sup> March**  
Disco –Year 3, 4 and 5  
School Hall, 3:30-4:30pm

**31<sup>st</sup> March**  
Last day of Term  
2:00pm finish

**3<sup>rd</sup> April – 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
Half Term Holiday  
School Closed

**17<sup>th</sup> April**  
Inset Day  
School Closed

**18<sup>th</sup> April**  
Children Return to  
School

**Non-Uniform Day**  
Year 2  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

## What staff did this week

- Our staff meeting this week was an opportunity for staff to try out and give their opinions on some new teaching and planning resources for History & Geography. This helps us to make sure we are using the resources and providing that support for staff to try and reduce their workload.
- On Wednesday all teachers went to Stoneydown Park Primary School after school to work with the teachers there on moderation of the children's work.
- Senior leaders have had over 20 meetings with parents and outside agencies to find and give support for various aspects of their children's development and well-being.
- I have been writing an action plan for raising attendance across the school for the local authority as part of the national drive to improve attendance after the Covid 19 lockdowns.
- I have been preparing agendas and paperwork for the upcoming Governor Finance Committee and Full Governing Body Meeting.
- I have been writing this year's School Asset Management Plan (SAMP) which is a document which lays out what we will be doing over the coming year to keep the building in good order.
- Miss Kelly has been working on improving our History curriculum and writing the long term plans for teachers to use when finished.
- Ms Nair and Miss Kelly went to visit Whitefields Special school for an afternoon to see how they provide support for children with a range of additional needs and to see how our provision compares in a mainstream school.



*Stars of the Week*

Certificates this week have been awarded for *Mental Maths*

*Reception –Amaya & Katrin*

*Year 1 – Harry & Robyn*

*Year 2 – Reuben & Seren*

*Year 3 –Ibrahim & Otis*

*Year 4 – Nateisha & Schane-Jae*

*Year 5 – Esme & Nassim*

*Year 6 – Musa & Sujan*

*Tea Time Club – Jay – Year 5*

**Hot choc Friday**

Reception- Omaya

Year 1- Belis

Year 2 – Cora

Year 3 - Violet

Year 4 – Mikel

Year 5 – Rosa

Year 6 – James

# YEARS 3,4,&5 EASTER DISCO LET'S BOOGIE!



**March 24th**

**School Hall 3.30-4.30pm**

**£1.50 per child (Siblings additional 50p)**

**All children to be accompanied by an adult**

**Price includes- Music- Face paints - Hair chalks - Tattoos - Popcorn**



**Hello, parents & guardians!**

We are **BeeZee Bodies**, and we work with Waltham Forest Council to provide **FREE** (and **FUN!**) healthy lifestyles support for families.

We run **BeeZee Families** courses after school across Waltham Forest, or you could join our online courses instead. We have new groups beginning in May. Click below to sign up for your family's **FREE** place!

Or, enrol in the **BeeZee Academy** - our **FREE** self-paced online learning portal full of useful information and tips on how to make your family healthier.



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\*To be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school in Waltham Forest and include one child who is above their ideal healthy weight.

## Roll into Spring



Each year, 20th March marks the first day of **SPRING!** As we look forward to longer days and warmer weather, try these tasty **Rainbow Spring Rolls** to get you excited for all the yummy vegetables to come over the season.

### Ingredients:

For the roll:

- 1 Spring Roll Wrapper (Rice Paper OR Small Tortilla Wrap)
- Red & Yellow Bell Pepper
- Cucumber
- Carrot
- Purple Cabbage

### Top Tip

If you don't have the ingredients for the dip on hand, soy sauce by itself tastes great too! You can also experiment with other ingredients you have to create your own sauce!

For the dip:

- 2 tbsp Soy sauce
- 1 tsp Hoisin
- 1/2 tsp Rice Vinegar
- 1/2 tsp Maple Syrup
- 1/2 tsp Sriracha

### What to do:

1. Choose which veggies you'd like in your roll and chop them all into thin matchstick-size strips
2. If using rice paper, soak in warm water until it softens and becomes flexible; if using a tortilla wrap, skip steps 2 & 3
3. Remove the wrapper from the water and place it on your chopping board - pat it dry with a paper towel
4. Add your assortment of colourful veggies to the centre of the wrapper
5. Fold the sides in towards the centre, and roll it up tight from the bottom
6. For the dip: measure all ingredients into a small bowl and stir to combine
7. With a sharp knife, carefully cut your rainbow spring roll in half, dip and enjoy!



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A place for learning disabled and neurotypical families to comfortably socialise, learn and play together

Join our monthly pop-up events for:

- Art workshops
- Soft play
- Sensory den
- Duplo and Lego corner
- Dance, music, yoga, storytelling, drama
- Pop-up local café



Next events: Sunday 19th March @ Higham Hill Hub

[For more information: thetogetherspace.co.uk](http://thetogetherspace.co.uk)



# CREATIVE SPRING

**DATES: MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL TO FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**  
**8AM - 5PM**



**ADDRESS**  
**OUR LADY AND ST. GEORGE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**(LOWERSITE, LEA BRIDGE RD END)**  
**140 SHERNHALL STREET, E17 0HU**

**ACTIVITIES:**  
**EASTER HUNT**  
**HAND CRAFTING**  
**OBSTACLE COURSE**  
**POTTERY/PAINTING**

**CONTACT DETAILS:**  
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**£30 PER DAY**



# Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2022-2023

## **Autumn Term 2022** (72 days)

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

**School Starts**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

**School Starts**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

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

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

**School Starts**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

**School Starts**

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> April

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

**School Starts**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Bank Holiday – **School Closed**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Half-Term Holiday – **School Closed**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**School Starts**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

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