

The Barn Croft Bulletin

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we prepare for the first Strike Day next Wednesday 1st February. We have had to do a complex risk assessment to ascertain whether we can open the school or not. It has been decided that the school will be closed for most children but we will be able to have some children into school – those families have been contacted separately. Everyone is extremely sorry for the disruption the strikes cause to families but also truly believe that something drastic has to be done to try and get the funding for schools that your children deserve. Although on the face of it the teachers are striking for more pay, this is only because in this country workers are only allowed to strike for specific things – more pay is one of them. However, what they are really striking for is to make a stand against the years and years of cuts to education budgets including the unfunded pay increases which have really hit schools hard this year. There is a huge demonstration happening in Central London next Wednesday and teachers across the country hope that parents will understand what they are fighting for and will support them and even attend the demonstrations themselves if they can.

Let's hope a resolution is found before the next Strike Day comes around on March 2nd. I think it is important for parents to know that every teacher who goes on strike loses a day's pay and in these difficult days of a cost of living crisis, this is quite a sacrifice for them to make.

Year 5 had their visit to Project Zero on Wednesday. They all had a lovely time and really enjoyed all the activities. Year 6 were due to visit next Wednesday but this will now be rearranged and I will let you know when it will be.

We are seeing a lot of illness in school again at the moment. Please remember to keep your child at home if they have a temperature. Please do not dose them on Calpol and send them in. If there are sick children in school it is likely we will see an increase in sick adults because they will pick up these viruses. If your child does have a temperature you will get a call and be expected to pick them up immediately.

Next week we will be sending out letters about the next Parent Evenings which will be the week after the half term holiday – please do book your slot on ParentMail.

Have a lovely weekend!

Tracey Griffiths
Headteacher

Key Diary Dates

1st February
Strike Day
School Closed to most children

2nd February
Walthamstow Wetlands -
Reception

2nd February
British Museum
Year 3

7th February
Science Museum
Year 4

13th February - 17th February
Half Term
School Closed

20th February
Children return to School

21st February
Parents Evening
3:30-7:00pm

23rd February
Parents Evening
3:30-5:40pm

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

STARS OF THE WEEK

Certificates this week have been awarded for *Reading*



Reception – Elisa & Frankie

Year 1 – Belis & Leon

Year 2 – Morris & Tabby

Year 3 – Lola & Mio

Year 4 – Levana & Russo

Year 5 – Maria & Tomas

Year 6 – Trey & Saoirse

Tea Time Club – Zoe – Year 2

Breakfast Club – Dylan H – Year 3



Hot choc Friday

Rec- Ellie

Y1- Aaliyah

Y2 – Samuel

Y3- Lilly-Hazel

Y4 – Nateisha

Y5 – Joel

Y6 - Hichem



Early Years Storytelling Hub

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

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



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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 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