## The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents & Carers,

This has been another busy week at Barn Croft with lots of exiting things going on!

Year 3 went on their trip to the Natural History Museum on Wednesday to experience the earthquake room as part of their geography learning this term. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and behaved impeccably – it was commented to Ms Athill about how beautifully the children behaved and how the spoke with kindness to each other – we are very proud of them all and are glad that a great time was had by all.

We have seen lots of wonderful work this week, we have been impressed with the children's maths, writing and some really creative projects. It has been a pleasure to see children showing their work with pride and being able to tell us about what they have enjoyed in their learning.

All the children took part in our mini London Marathon yesterday, completing a 2.6 mile run around school! This had to be postponed a couple of times due to weather but it was great to see the children enjoying themselves in the sunshine. Other sporting events have taken place this week, including tennis — the children really enjoy these events, thank you to parent volunteers who accompany these trips for their support as without them, these could not happen. Please do let the office team know if you are able to help out at all, especially if your child is attending the event.

Today, Miss O'Neill starts her maternity leave and we wish her and her partner all the best, she has had a wonderful year with Year 5 and now we hope she manages to get some rest before her new arrival! We are all looking forward to hearing about her new baby, in due course – good luck Miss O'Neill.

Next week is half term, I hope you enjoy the week. The Monday is an INSET day for staff training so we look forward to welcoming all the children back to school at <u>9am on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.</u>

Miss Kelly Deputy Headteacher

# Key Diary Dates

26th May Last day of Half Term

29th May – 2nd June Half Term Holiday School Closed

**5th June**Staff Training **School Closed** 

6th June Children return to School

12th June Class School photos

13th June – 16th June Gilwell Park – Year 6

21st July Last day of Term 2:00pm finish



Certificates this week have been awarded for *Topic Work* 

Reception - Aila & Frankie

Year 1 – Inaya & Zara

Year 2 – Marwah & Tabby

Year 3 – Anelka & Isaac Year 4 – Artin & Clea

Year 5 – Jay & Lucia

Year 6 – Makar & Uzair

#### Hot Choc

Reception- Elisa Year 1- Hadi Year 2- Roxy Year 3 - Mio Year 4 - Damian Year 5 - Jemima Year 6- George

#### Get Growing! Free course starting in April 2023!

Organiclea is working with Waltham Forest Council to offer parents a 4-week course learning to grow food on the school's allotment plot.

Our aim is to support the development of this valuable growing space, as a place for our pupils to grow and learn together whilst offering parents an opportunity to learn basic food growing skills.

Additional benefits of taking part in outdoor team work range from an improvement health and wellbeing to reduced isolation and learning workplace skills. We hope to see many parents from all year groups involved.

Sessions will be delivered on Tuesday mornings **from 25<sup>th</sup> April, 9-11:30am.** If you are interested to know more or want to get involved, please contact Danielle on Danielle@organiclea.org.uk and/or come along to a welcome event on 18<sup>th</sup> April at 9am at the allotment plot.





There is still space left on the Get Growing Course that is being run by OrganicLea every Tuesday from 9-11am and there are still 5 weeks of it after Half-Term!

The adults on the allotment have been very busy growing, repairing and planning to help the children get the most out of their allotment experience. The year 3 beds contain onions and some leeks and squash will be joining them soon. More Summer squash is coming from OrganicLea. The Year 4 beds have beet and chard seedlings going in soon alongside their potatoes. In the Year 5 beds children have planted peas. In the second bed there are potatoes. In the Year 6 beds there is winter squash and sweetcorn salad. Planters have been repaired, weeded and planted and a compost head started.

Thank you so much to the parents for working so hard on our behalf!



### 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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



## Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2023-2024

#### Autumn Term 2023 (74 days)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September Staff Training Day – **School Closed**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September Staff Training Day – **School Closed** 

Wednesday 6th September School Starts

Friday 20th October School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October Half-Term Holiday - School Closed

Monday 30th October School Starts

Thursday 21st December School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January Christmas Holiday – School Closed

#### Spring Term 2024 (54 days)

Monday 8th January Staff Training Day – School Closed

Tuesday 9th January School Starts

Friday 9th February School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February Half-Term Holiday - School Closed

Monday 19th February School Starts

Thursday 28th March School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April Easter Holiday – School Closed

#### Summer Term 2024 (67 days)

Monday 15th April Staff Training Day – School Closed

Tuesday 16th April School Starts

Monday 6th May Bank Holiday – School Closed

Friday 24th May School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May Half-Term Holiday - School Closed

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Staff Training Day – School Closed

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June School Starts

Wednesday 24th July School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term