20th October 2023

The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your messages, cards, notes and gifts for Ms Griffiths, I will pass them on to her over half term. I know that she will enjoy reading each and every one of these.

Year 6 went to the imperial war museum this week and had a wonderful time, I've been inundated with conversations about what they would take to a shelter and their justification for what they would need. A great day was had by all!

Friends of Barn Croft had their AGM this week but have rescheduled another AGM on 1st November, 6-7pm to ensure they have enough numbers to vote committee members in. Please do join us at the meeting.

As we approach the end of this first half term, I'd like to thank all the staff at Barn Croft for working so hard under such challenging circumstances and thanks to parents and carers for your understanding during this time. The children have had a good start to this academic year and are enjoying the revamped curriculum, staff have implemented this while maintaining the beating heart of Barn Croft, a goal we all share. We are prepared and ready to hit the ground running again next half term, but not before a well-deserved break for all next week!

Enjoy the half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 30th October.

Don't forget there is an INSET day on Monday 13th November so school is closed to all children for staff training.

Kind regards,

Miss Kelly Acting Headteacher

Key Diary Dates

23rd October – 27th October Half Term School Closed

30th October Children return to School

1st November Friends of Barn Croft AGM

7th November Individual School Photos

13th November Staff Training Day School Closed

14th November Parents Evening Day 1

16th November Parents Evening Day 2

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

Hot Chocolate Friday Reception – Olive Year 1 – Uma Year 2 – Annie Year 3 – Chelssey Year 4 – Michael Year 5 – Annie Year 6 - Lucia



Certificates this week have been awarded for Kindness Reception – Janiyah & Victor Year 1 – Aila & Logan Year 2 – Inaya & Zara Year 3 – Farley & Junior Year 4 – Otis & Violet Year 5 – Damian & Taro Year 6 – Tomas & Yousra



School Nurse Team

Thgpcg.wf0-19SPA1@nhs.net

0300 033 6200

Our Community Nursery Nurses are providing monthly drop-in sessions in Waltham Forest Primary schools, offering advice, support and signposting on a range of topics including Healthy eating, height- weight management sleep routine, hygiene, toileting hearing and vision, child development

Available to all parents and pupils every month. Following dates in school; Wednesday 15th November Wednesday 13th December



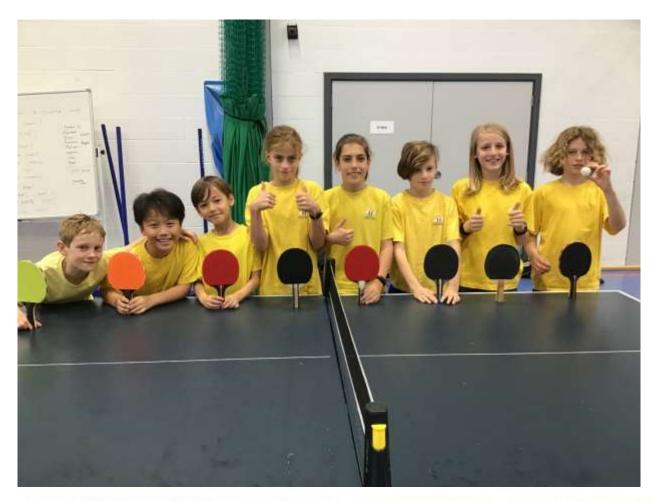
Sports Trips at Barn Croft so far... KS1 Cross Country



Year 3 Mixed Gender Football Competition



Year 5 and 6 Table Tennis Competition

















Wednesdays 7.15 - 8.45pm Upcoming Dates: 26 Jul, 20 Sept, 18 Oct, <u>22 Nov, 6 Dec 2023</u> -17 Jan, 21 Feb, 20 Mar, 17 Apr, 22 May, 5 Jun, 19 June 17 Jul, 18 Sep, 16 Oct 2024 Young People age 10 - 17 Bring your own games Parents must attend Siblings welcome

Advance Registration required http://bit.ly/3YCqskE



The Mill, 7-11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA. (Mission Grove Car Park - free after Spm)



Help your child grow and thrive! Family Learning



Our family learning programme delivers a variety of courses, workshops and events both in person, online and at different venues in Waltham Forest - courses and workshops are free for families.

List of upcoming courses / workshops

Course Title	Venue	Date	Time	Day
Decorating	The Junction	21.10.2023	10-	Saturday
Cupcakes	E11 4LF		12pm	

All families are welcome to join this free Decorate a Cupcake session. During the session families will be able to design and work with fondant icing to decorate a cupcake, as well as designing and creating a box to take it home in. To enrol click on the QR code above or link on the family learning tab on the ALS website - www.lbwfafultlearning.co.uk

If you have any questions regarding family learning activities, please contact <u>cherie.cowan-smith@walthamforest.gov.uk</u> Curriculum Manager Family Learning

Enrol now through our website - www.lbwfadultlearning.co.uk For more information email adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk







SEND FAMILY SUPPORT

GROUPS

Open to parents and carers of children aged 5-18 with SEND in mainstream schools in Waltham Forest. Come along and share experiences, discuss ideas, explore resources and develop a support network. All led by specialist Advisory Teachers.

To join us book online at: Eventbrite

	Monday 25 th September 2023	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/downs- syndrome-family-support-group-onsite-and- virtual-tickets- 711179686587?aff=odcleoeventsincollection Virtual or onsite Flourish outreach services, Macdonald Road, Walthamstow, E17 4AZ	
Down's Syndrome	10.30-11.30		
	Monday 27 th November 2023	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/downs- syndrome-family-support-group-onsite-and- virtual-tickets- 711200268147?aff=odcleoeventsincollection	
	10.30-11.30	Virtual or onsite Flourish outreach services, Macdonald Road, Walthamstow, E17 4AZ	
Autism	Tuesday 10 th October 2023	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-family- support-group-onsitevirtual-tickets- 715196691557?aff=odcleoeventsincollection	
	11.30- 12.30pm	Virtual or onsite Flourish outreach services, Macdonald Road, Walthamstow, E17 4AZ	
	Tuesday 28 th November 2023	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/autism-family- support-group-onsite-and-virtual-tickets- 715200222117?aff=odcleoeventsincollection	
	11.30- 12.30pm	Virtual or onsite Flourish outreach services, Macdonald Road, Walthamstow, E17 4AZ	





Educational Psychology Service Free Monthly Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions

Dates:

20th September 2023 18th October 2023 22nd November2023 6th December 2023 17<u>th January 2024</u> 28th February 2024 27th March 2024 24th April 2024 22nd May 2024 19th June 2024 17th July 2024

> To book a 30 minute consultation, please contact our Business Support Officer below

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

> Thorpe Hall School 123 Hale End Road E17 4DP

Office 02084961732 07776 589 597 Do you have concerns about your child?

Would you like to talk to an Educational Psychologist in confidence?

Appointment Only Sessions

Afternoon sessions are 12.30-2pm Evening Sessions are 3.30–5.00 Individual consultation with an Educational Psychologist are offered via phone/zoom or in person for Parents and Carers living in London Borough Waltham Forest.

Sessions last for no more than 30 minutes and provide an opportunity to ask any questions or discuss concerns with a member of our culturally diverse Educational Psychology Team.

Educational Psychologists are qualified specialists in child psychology and child development, with particular expertise in supporting children and young people with special educational needs, learning difficulties, and social, emotional and behaviour difficulties. All LBWF Educational Psychologists are registered with the Health Care Professionals Council.

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Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023 (74 days)

Monday 4th September	Stoff Training Day School Closed		
Tuesday 5 th September	Staff Training Day – School Closed Staff Training Day – School Closed		
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Wednesday 6th September	School Starts		
Friday 20 th October	School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term		
Monday 23 rd October - Friday 27 th October	Half-Term Holiday - School Closed		
Monday 30 th October	School Starts		
Monday 13 th November	Staff Training Day - School Closed		
Thursday 21st December	School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term		
Friday 22 nd December – Friday 5 th January	Christmas Holiday - School Closed		
Spring Term 2024 (54 days)			
Monday 8 th January	Staff Training Day – School Closed		
Tuesday 9 th 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 15 th April	Staff Training Day - School Closed		
Tuesday 16 th April	School Starts		
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed		
Friday 24 th May	School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term		
	Half-Term Holiday - School Closed		
Monday 27 th May - Friday 31 st May	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed		
Monday 27 th May - Friday 31 st May <mark>Monday 3rd June Wednesday 24th July</mark>	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed School Starts		