The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to everyone after the Easter break! I hope those who celebrated Easter or Eid had a wonderful time, and that everyone managed to enjoy a restful holiday.

This week, we had a positive and purposeful visit from our School Improvement Partner. She came to see how we're getting on with our curriculum development, and to help us further develop even more amazing learning experiences for the children. Zoe was impressed with everything she saw and the progress to date — especially the fantastic technical vocabulary the children are using in Maths, History and Geography. It's a real testament to the hard work of all the staff and, of course, the brilliant children themselves! Well done everyone!

Speaking of amazing things... Remember the sponsored read we had for World Book Day? A huge thank you again for all the money raised! This week, each class received a selection of brand new books that they chose themselves with the money they earned. Let me tell you, there was a lot of excitement when those bundles arrived! We've also added some fantastic new books to the library and for Tea Time Club, so there's plenty of fresh reading material to get stuck into.

A huge thank you to all the Year 1 parents who organised a brilliant fundraising art competition. The assembly today to present the prizes was fantastic, it was a tough job for the panel picking winners because all the entries were absolutely incredible – I'm glad I did not have to make the decisions! There was so much skill, personality, and flair on display – well done to all the budding artists! (We've included some pictures of the winners and shortlisted entries below – don't they look amazing?) The winning and shortlisted artwork will be kept safe for the E17 Art Trail at the Summer Fair, and everything else will be returned to the children shortly. But keep those creative juices flowing – there will be more artistic opportunities to come!

Just a reminder, please make sure all the children have their PE kits in school every day. It's important that they're dressed safely and appropriately for PE lessons. We'll send them home half-termly for a good wash!

We are looking forward to seeing you all next Friday to the **Eid Party from 3:30-5pm** in the School Hall, it is a free event, please see flyer in the Newsletter below for more details! We also have School class photos Wednesday next week.

See you all next week! Have a great Weekend!

Miss Kelly

Acting Headteacher

Key Diary Dates

24th April Class Photos

26th April

Eid Party in the Hall 3:30pm-5:00pm All BC parents Invited

3rd May

Y2 Fundraiser **3:30pm**

6th May

Bank Holiday
School Closed

11th May

Car Boot Sale 10am-1pm

24th May

Last day of Half Term

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

3rd June

Children return to school



Certificates this week have been awarded for *Great start to the term*

Reception – Rollo & Zeriah

Year 1 – Hector & Suellen

Year 2 – Doran & Sumayyah

Year 3 – Aidan & Lily-Rose

Year 4 – Lilly-Hazel & Michael

Year 5 – Grady & Leonardo

Year 6 – Ada & Bilal

Hot Choc Friday
Rec – Edison

Year 1 – Elisa

Year 2 – Aaliyah

Year 3 – Farley

Year 4 – Martha

Year 5 – Annie-Pip

Year 6 - Elif

School Health Team Waltham Forest

Thgpcg.wf0-19SPA1@nhs.net

0300 033 6200

Drop-in sessions:

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. Dates are; Wednesday 15th May Wednesday 12th June Wednesday 10th July



How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning? O Daus 365 Days in a Year 10 Daus 190 School Days Absence Over half 175 Non School Days a term 19 Days missed! Absence 29 Days Absence Having Perfect! 38 Daus 90% **Absence** over 47 Days 5 school Absence years. weeks missed! is half a school uear's 75% 100% 95% 90% 85% 80% work Attendance Attendance Attendance Attendance Attendance Attendance missed! Serious impact on **Best chance of success** Less chance of success education and reduced life chances

ART COMPETITION

Results were announced at the Celebration Assembly on Friday, everyone did amazingly, well done to all the children that took part.

Reception Winner: Jules
Shortlist: Chloe, Ziggy
Year 1 Winner: Hector
Shortlist: Digby, Yasmin
Year 2 Winner: Inaya
Shortlist: Lana, Harry
Year 3 Winner: Flora
Shortlist: Reuben, Seren
Year 4 Winner: Dylan D
Shortlist: Albert, Audrey
Year 5: No entries
Year 6 Winner: Esme
Shortlist: George, Lily

Links for Support below

For families seeking alternative support during the school holidays, the Holiday Activity and Food Programme will continue to run for the next year. This programme offers school age children receiving benefit-related Free School Meals the opportunity to get involved in activities and holiday clubs and have a hot meal.

Holiday activities in Waltham Forest London Borough of Waltham Forest

Ahead of a Government decision on the future of the Fund, we are actively lobbying the Government to maintain the Fund and recently launched a petition to extend it.

The crisis isn't over: Don't axe our lifeline

| 38 Degrees

YEAR 6 TRIP TO
GILWELL PARK
4th June – 7th June

Don't forget you can start to make payments towards the Gilwell Park trip.



BARN CROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL



CAR BOOT SALE SATURDAY 11TH MAY 10AM-1PM

£1 ENTRANCE FEE (CHILDREN FREE). SELLERS SET UP FROM 9AM. BUYERS FROM 10AM. REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE. NO TRADERS OR FOOD SELLERS

Please contact Friends of Barn Croft to book: barncroftfriends@gmail

Car boots £12.00 kids wheelbarrows £3.00 Indoor table tops £8.00

Art Competition Fundraiser

Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 6





Health and Wellbeing Courses Inspired by Nature

Join our FREE 5 week art courses at the inspiring Walthamstow Wetlands

- **Drawing Inspired By Nature (Ref: AC0461C2)** Thursday 29th February – 28th March 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 2 Printing Inspired By Nature (Ref: AC0462C2) Thursday 25 April - 23rd May 10.00am - 12.00pm
- 3 Watercolours Inspired By Nature (AC0377C2) Thursday 6th June - 4th July 10.00am - 12.00pm

To book please call: **020 8496 2974**



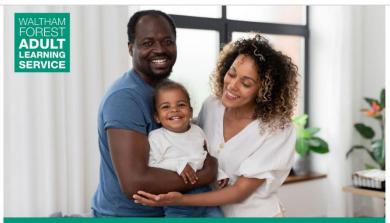












Help your child grow and thrive! **Family Learning**



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 code	Course Title	Venue	Date	Time	Day
FA0113C4	Let's explore Easter arts and Crafts	Leabridge road Library	03.04.2024	01:15 pm - 03:15 pm	Wednesday
FA0349F1	Monthly Art Club – Sew a felt key ring	Queens Road Learning Centre	20/04/2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
FA0354F1	Sewing textile crafts for parents	Leyton Family Hub	24/04/2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Wednesday
FA0304F1	Creating a collage landscape	The Junction Learning Centre	04.05.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
FA0350F1	Monthly art club - World Bee day art	Queens Road Learning Centre	18.05.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
FA0347F1	Calm Parents, Calm Children - Parenting	Leyton Family Hub	12.06.2024 - 10.07.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Wednesday
FA0243C4	Summer Cards workshop	North Chingford Library	22.06.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
FA0351F1	Monthly art club Great Big Green Week	Queens Road Learning Centre	22.06.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
	If you have any questions regarding family learning activities, please contact				

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





Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023 (74 days)

Monday 4th September Staff Training Day – **School Closed**Tuesday 5th 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

Monday 13th November Staff Training Day - School Closed

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

Friday 22nd December – Friday 5th 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 3rd June School Starts

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



Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024 (74 days)

Monday 2nd September Staff Training Day – **School Closed**Tuesday 3rd September Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Wednesday 4th SeptemberSchool StartsFriday 18th OctoberSchool Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 21st October - Friday 25th October Half-Term Holiday - **School Closed**

Monday 28th October Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 29th October School Starts

Thursday 19th December School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Friday 20th December – Friday 3rd January Christmas Holiday – **School Closed**

Spring Term 2025 (60 days)

Monday 6th January Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 7th January School Starts

Friday 14th February School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February Half-Term Holiday - **School Closed**

Monday 24th February School Starts

Friday 4th April School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term

Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April Easter Holiday – **School Closed**

Summer Term 2025 (61 days)

Tuesday 22nd April School Starts

Monday 5th May Bank Holiday – **School Closed**

Friday 23rd May School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May Half-Term Holiday - **School Closed**

Monday 2nd June Staff Training Day – **School Closed**

Tuesday 3rd June School Starts

Wednesday 23rd July School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term