### The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a whirlwind of activity here at Barn Croft, filled with laughter, learning, and a touch of showmanship! On Wednesday, Reception, Year 1, 2, 3, and 5 had the absolute pleasure of participating in a circus skills workshop led by the incredible Infinity Circus. The day was a joyous explosion of flips, tricks, twirls, and balancing acts! Witnessing the courage and resilience of both children and (dare I say) some brave adults was truly inspiring. It seems Barn Croft may be harbouring a secret population of budding circus performers! Year 5 even took it a step further and put on their own mini-show, showcasing the individual talents they honed throughout the day. We were also treated to a jaw-dropping stage show by Infinity Circus themselves during assembly — it left us all speechless!

Be sure to check out the photos below to get a glimpse into the fun and the fantastic skills on display!

Don't forget, Year 3 and 4's production for parents is next Tuesday morning at 9:30 am. We can't wait to see the culmination of all their hard work!

A gentle reminder to all parents: Shoes should be black or dark and plain in colour (including trainers). For PE, they can wear black trainers or plimsolls. School uniform policy also requires children with long hair (below shoulders) to have it tied back at all times. This is for health and safety reasons. In the event a child forgets a hair tie, the school will provide one (unless prior exceptions have been agreed upon with the Senior Leadership Team).

The long-awaited Easter break is just around the corner! Please note that the last day of term is Thursday, March 28th, with dismissal at 2:00 pm. There will be no tea time club on this day.

Wishing you all a wonderful and relaxing Easter break!

Miss Kelly

**Acting Headteacher** 



Certificates this week have been awarded for Attitudes towards learning

Reception – Janiyah & Victor

Year 1 – Hector & Katrin

Year 2 – Chloe & Miriam

Year 3 – Nina & Seren

Year 4 – Indiya & Verity

Year 5 – Dot & Leonardo

Year 6 – Casey & Margot

## Key Diary Dates

25th March

Year 1 Art Fundraiser

26th March

Year 3&4 Show **9:30am-parents** 

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welcome

28th March

Mental Health
Workshop
9:00am-All parents
Welcome

28th March

Last day of Term
School ends at 2pm

29th March — 12th April Easter Holidays

School Closed

15<sup>th</sup> April

Staff Training Day
School Closed

16th April

Children return to School

19th April

**Year 2 Fundraiser** 

26th April

Eid Party in the Hall 3:30pm-5:00pm

Hot Choc Friday Rec – Muhammad-Ali

Year 1 – Paz

Year 2 - Lana

Year 3 – Zoe

Year 4 – Albert

Year 5 – Ru

Year 6 - Rosa

### 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 17th April
Wednesday 15th May
Wednesday 12th June
Wednesday 10th July



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

Last week the FOB planning meeting for the Eid Party went really well, parents came up with lots of Amazing ideas! It's not too late to join and share your fantastic input! Please contact the school or contact the FOB team. Put the date in your diaries, our first ever Eid Party will be on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April in the school hall from 3:30-5:00pm.

#### 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.

# **Reception Circus Workshop**













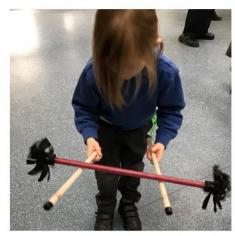
























# Year 1 Circus Workshop





































# Year 2 Circus Workshop





































# Year 3 Circus Workshop

































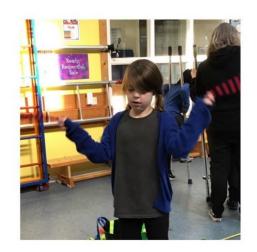




# Year 5 Circus Workshop



















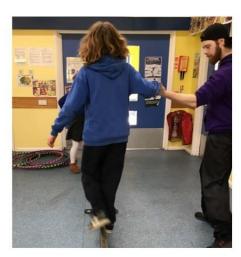




















Working Towards an Independent Future

This year,
for Prader Willi
awareness month,
I will be walking 4 miles,
around Buttermere Lake,
on May 28th 2024.
I want to ask you for a
favour:



## Believe in me!

Believe that my future and our future can be bright and

### DONATE WHAT YOU CAN.





### I want my hunger to stop! I want to live a life full.

Hope that, one day soon, children like me and their families will have a smoother journey and a better chance at living a full life.

More research is needed so we can understand why people with PWS always feel like they haven't had any food for days, which prevents us from concentrating on anything else, so we can achieve the best we can be.

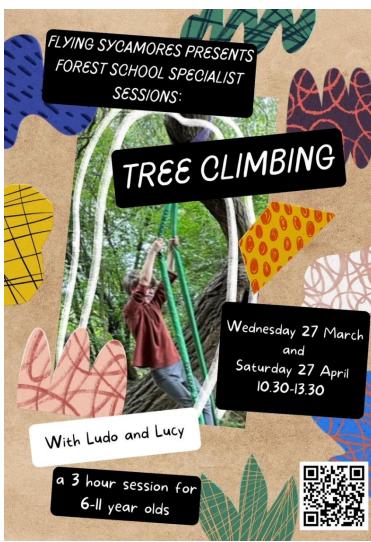














Barn Croft Primary

details

Contact H English or C Moses for more

Maintenance Factors



### **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.

Course code	Course Title	Venue	Date	Time	Day
FA0291C5	Improve your digital skills for parents	Queens Road Learning Centre	06.03.2024 - 20.03.2024	01:00 pm - 02:30 pm	Wednesday
FA0343F1	Let's explore shape themed arts and crafts drop in at Higham Hill library	Higham Hill Library	06.03.2024 13.03.2024 20.03.2024	03:15 pm - 04:30 pm	Wednesday
FA0150C4	Let's explore Nature Inspired Art	Wood Street Library	16.03.2024	01:30 pm - 03:30 pm	Saturday
FA0295F1	Monthly Art Club	Queens Road Learning Centre	23.03.2024	10:00am - 12:00pm	Saturday
	If you have any questions regarding family learning activities, please contact - <u>cherie.cowan-smith@walthamforest.gov.uk</u> Curriculum Manager Family Learning				





### 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 30<sup>th</sup> October School Starts

Monday 13th November Staff Training Day – School Closed

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 School Starts

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