# The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start to the new school year we've had! It's been absolutely wonderful to welcome everyone back, and I must say, the children have been nothing short of remarkable. They've made such a positive start to their year, and it's been a joy to see how much they've grown over the summer. I've loved hearing all about your summer adventures - from exciting days at the park and family movie marathons to visits with grandparents, cousins, and friends. Not to mention the trips out, parties, and all the crafty activities you've been up to! I hope your summer was filled with enjoyable family time, creating memories to cherish.

Our staff INSET days were incredibly productive, with lots of learning and refreshing of skills for the year ahead. We're all geared up and ready for another successful year at Barn Croft! Speaking of new beginnings, we're thrilled to welcome Miss Akthar to Year 6 and Miss Khanom to Year 5. Both teachers have had a lovely week with their classes and have really enjoyed the warm Barn Croft welcome. I'm sure you'll all continue to show them why Barn Croft is such a special place!

The first week back is always a mix of excitement and nerves, isn't it? And let's be honest, it's exhausting too! Everyone should be incredibly proud of themselves for how well they've settled in. I think they've all earned a relaxing weekend to recharge their batteries ready for next week's full-on learning.

Now, I have an important date for your diaries, parents! Our Meet the Teacher sessions are coming up on Wednesday, 18th September at 3:45 pm. It's really important that all parents attend these sessions for Years 1 to 6. You'll get to meet your child's class team and hear about crucial information regarding their learning, the curriculum, expectations (both at school and at home), online safety, and much more. We'll also be sharing updates on the school's progress to date. A letter will be sent to all parents with more information next week. So please, pop the date in your diary - we're looking forward to seeing you all there!

As we look ahead to another year of growth, learning, and adventure at Barn Croft, I want to thank you all for your continued support. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

Miss Kelly

**Acting Headteacher** 

## **Key Diary Dates**

18th September

Meet the Teacher Event 3:45pm

21st October - 25th October Half Term School Closed

28th October Staff Training Day School Closed

29th October
Children return to School

#### REMINDERS FOR PARENTS FOR THE NEW TERM!

#### Asthma Pumps / EPI PEN

If your child is asthmatic or has severe allergies that require an epi-pen, then please ensure that your child has a labelled asthma pump/epi pen with them in school at all times, **and that it is in date.** Asthma pumps and epi pens are the **only** medicine which should be kept in the classroom with the child for prompt access.

#### Free School Meals Trawl

Even if your child brings a packed lunch or receives the Universal Free School Meal and you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals then please do apply to the Borough as the schools funding can greatly benefit from this!

#### **Mobile Phones**

Pupils bringing mobile phones to school must ensure they are put away before they come through the school gate and **must** be handed to the office before registration for safe keeping during the school day.

#### **Appointments**

Parents and carers are asked most earnestly **not** to arrange these during school sessions, except in cases of urgency, so that considerable interference with school work is avoided. Please do not keep children out of school for the whole day unless absolutely necessary.

Thank you!

### LABELLING UNIFORM

Please remember to label your child's school uniform clearly. If your child's uniform is misplaced, it is difficult to find the owner if there is no name on the label!



# Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2024-2025

### Autumn Term 2024 (74 days)

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Staff Training Day – **School Closed**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Staff Training Day – **School Closed** 

Wednesday 4th September School Starts

Friday 18th October School 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 22<sup>nd</sup> April School Starts

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday – School Closed

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term

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

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Staff Training Day – School Closed

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June School Starts

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