

The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a spectacular Sports Day! The atmosphere was electric as our children enjoyed a variety of fun activities and races. The teamwork and collaborative spirit were truly inspiring, especially during the three-legged race! It was heart-warming to witness our KS2 children supporting and encouraging the younger years, explaining tasks with patience and celebrating everyone's successes. This sense of community and pride in each other was a real highlight. A huge thank you to all the parents who were able to attend and cheer the children on as well as take part in the adult races. Your support makes a world of difference! We'd also like to extend our gratitude to the incredible young sports leaders from Kelmscott School. Their assistance was invaluable, and they are a true credit to their school. We look forward to welcoming them back next year!

This week also saw a visit from our School Improvement Partner, Zoe, alongside Adam, Stoneydown's Headteacher. Their visit aimed to review the progress we've made throughout the year. This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase all the positive changes implemented across the school and celebrate the remarkable progress and achievements evident in our children's work and recent statutory assessments. They reviewed curriculum documentation and progression, children's books and outcomes as well as a learning walk throughout the school. Several children even had the chance to chat with Zoe and Adam, discussing their favourite subjects, work they're most proud of, and their overall experience at Barn Croft, specifically what has helped them learn and grow this year. While we await the official report, the initial feedback was incredibly positive, highlighting the significant strides made in driving change forward. This work has had a demonstrably positive impact on teaching, curriculum design, learning environments, and ultimately, the academic outcomes of all our pupils.

Once we receive the full report, we'll share its highlights and the next steps for Barn Croft with you all. In the meantime, a huge thank you to our dedicated staff, incredible children, and supportive parents for embracing our vision of change. Your combined efforts have truly brought this vision to life!

Finally, we are pleased to inform you that transition information and class teachers for next academic year will be sent out on Monday. The children will be told in school on Monday and the transition process will be outlined to them in an age appropriate way.

Have a wonderful weekend – I hope the weather holds up!

Miss Kelly

Acting Headteacher



Certificates this week have been awarded for Star of the Term

Reception – Amela & Eric

Year 1 – Aila & Rufat

Year 2 – Niamh & Tommy

Year 3 – Ezra & Lara

Year 4 – Dylan H & Martha

Year 5 – Artin & Dot

Year 6 – Casey & Elif

Key Diary Dates

19th July

Year 5 & 6 Show
9:20am Parents Welcome

23rd July

Leaver BBQ
3.45pm-5.30pm

24th July

End of Term
Children finish at 2pm

2nd September

Staff Training Day
School Closed

3rd September

Staff Training Day
School Closed

4th September

Children return to School

Hot Choc Friday

Rec – Edie

Year 1 – Rickie

Year 2 – Belis

Year 3 – Junior

Year 4 – Isaac

Year 5 - Clea

Year 6 -

Sports Day at Barn Croft this week!





Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park Bloblitz

27th July from 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday

We want help to have

- The local community and visitors involved
- An event to bring as many people as possible together on the Park to celebrate nature
- A comprehensive ecological audit of the Park's habitats.
- Biological data to inform management decisions

FREE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



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QUEEN ELIZABETH OLYMPIC PARK

27 July - Bloblitz Event

Getting involved

South Park Hub - UCL East Community Classroom North Park Hub -

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North Park Hub - Mobile Garden -

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Or follow the Google Maps Route [Here](#)

Meeting Point for activities will be at the Hubs above

Closest station to South Hub is Stratford (underground, overground and national rail)

Closest station to North Hub is Hackney Wick (overground)

FREE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Head to our website to sign up for FREE Dragonfly walks, Butterfly or Bee talks, FIT surveys, and arts/crafts activities and more



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WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

SUMMER 2024

29 JULY - 23 AUGUST

ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16 AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

This summer we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:

or visit WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

Booking is essential on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:

WFHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK

Department for Education Waltham Forest



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

FA0362F1	Plant a seed and watch it grow	Queens Road Learning Centre	13.07.2024	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Saturday
<p>Join us this Saturday for our fun Plant a seed and let it grow workshop. This workshop is designed for families to come together, learn about how plants grow from seed and the conditions needed to help your seed grow. Perfect for 4-9 year olds, this hands on workshop encourages creativity, learning and bonding among family members</p>					
<p>If you have any questions regarding family learning activities, please contact - cherie.cowan-smith@walthamforest.gov.uk Curriculum Manager Family Learning</p>					



Waltham Forest Parent Forum Support Groups

Do you want some support?

Free online and in person support groups for parents and carers of children and young people with SEND (0-25)

No need to book, just pop along!



Support Groups offer:

Emotional support
Support with challenges you may be facing
Empowerment
Information sharing
Reduced isolation

More information and dates:

www.walthamforestparentforum.com/support
walthamforestparentforum@live.co.uk
07794 298496/07528 433640



SEND LEGO CLUB

FREE SESSION FOR SEND FAMILIES
1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10.30-12.30
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED
NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST POP ALONG!
LEYTON FAMILY HUB, 215 QUEENS ROAD, LONDON, E17 8PJ
FOR MORE INFO CALL 07528 433640 OR 07794 298496







SEND FOOTBALL

SIBLINGS WELCOME

funded by Barclays 

SATURDAYS-TERM TIME

2-3PM

Ages: 5-25
Venue

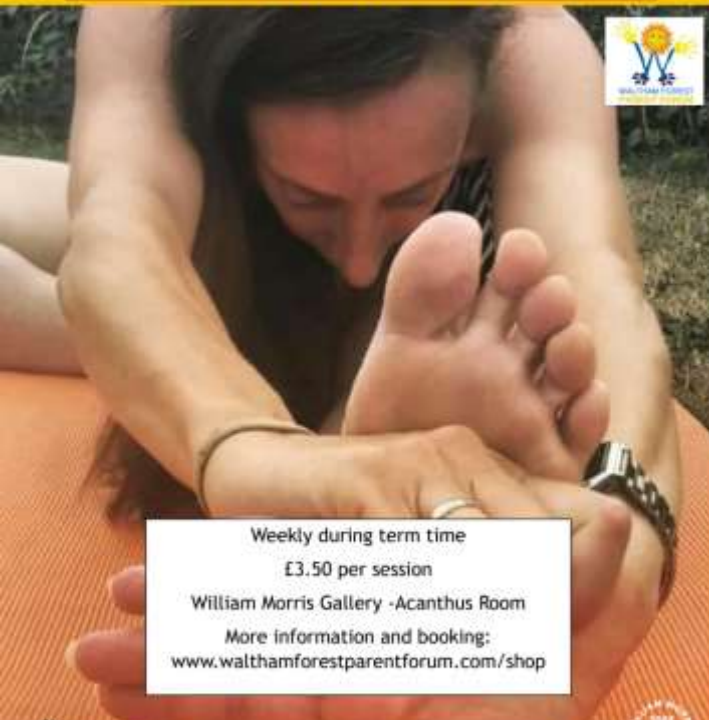

Wadham Lodge
11 Kitchener Road, London E17 4JP

Admission **£3** Booking essential via website

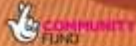
More info 07528 433640 www.walthamforestparentforum.com/shop

Restorative Yoga


For parents and carers of children and young people with SEND
With Elitza from YogaMeHappy

Weekly during term time
£3.50 per session
William Morris Gallery -Acanthus Room
More information and booking:
www.walthamforestparentforum.com/shop



Supported by William Morris Big Local Community Fund



A PLACE FOR DISABLED & NON-DISABLED CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES TO PLAY, EXERCISE, SOCIALISE & RELAX TOGETHER



FREE HOLIDAY SESSIONS FOR
PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN

CAFE. ART. PLAY. SENSORY DEN. YOGA. DANCE. MUSIC. STORYTELLING

WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST AT HIGHAM HILL HUB
MONDAY 12TH AUGUST AT BIG PENNY SOCIAL



BOOKING ESSENTIAL VIA WEBSITE

www.thetogetherspace.co.uk



OPEN DAY

Walthamstow Fire Station

Saturday, 13 July 2024 11am–3pm

- Your chance to meet local firefighters and get fire safety advice.
- See our latest fire and rescue service equipment.
- A community event, providing education, fun and engagement.

343 Forest Road Walthamstow London E17 5JR

For more info contact : Station Officer Carl Gibbons

T 02085551200 Ext: 84136

E carl.gibbons@london-fire.gov.uk



Essential Services Jobs Fair 2024

Wednesday 17 July, 1pm to 4pm

Explore career opportunities in Healthcare, Education, Public Services and discover what makes Waltham Forest work. Book your place today!



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bit.ly/essential-services-jobsfair

Lea Bridge Library
Lea Bridge Road
London
E10 7HU



Come to our Open Day

Develop skills | Gain qualifications | Enhance employability

Date:

Tuesday 23 July 2024

- Explore a wide range of free adult learning courses

Time:

10am to 2pm

- Gain new skills that will spark your personal interests

Location:

Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service,
97 Queens Road,
Walthamstow, E17 8QR

- Speak with our expert staff and discover our new courses






No need to book - drop in





For more information:

Phone: 020 8496 2974

Email: adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk



DESTINATION	DAY & MEETING PLACE	DESCRIPTION	ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS	Club leader
 Wood Street Library	1pm – 2pm Tuesday, 9 July	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics.	We will be in the meeting room in the street end of the library.	Anne
 Harmony Hall	10:30-12 Tuesday, 9 July and Tuesday 16 July	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics.	We will be upstairs. Go up the narrow staircase next to the kitchen.	Anjum
 Walthamstow Library	9:45- 11 Wednesday, 10 July Wednesday, 17 July	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics.	We will be in the glass room from where there is a great view of the bus station.	Sharon June
 Queens Road Learning Centre & The Junction	1pm – 2pm Thursday, 11 July	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics.	You will find us upstairs on the second floor in Room 7 (Queens Road) and on the first floor in Room 4 (The Junction) There is a lift in both centres.	Alix Marion Sonia Ruth
 ZOOM	7pm – 8pm Thursday, 11 July Thursday, 18 July Thursday, 25 July	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics.	Please email conversationsclub.ais@walthamforest.gov.uk if you would like to join the conversation club	Resham

 ZOOM Polyglots	6-7pm Sunday 14 July Sunday 20 July Sunday 28 July ‘We are all teachers and we are all learners’	The club is for people who: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speak fluent English and want to learn more about other languages. Speak some English and want to learn more while translating to others Know what you want to say in your own languages but need help saying it in English. 	To join, please email julijulijulida@gmail.com or message WhatsApp +44 7801756 863	Ben Julia
 Garden Conversation in Chestnuts Farm Allotments	2 – 3:30pm Every Sunday in July and August	Social conversation in a friendly group, covering a wide range of topics. Families with children welcome	Look for the gate in the car park of the Waltham Forest Feel Good Centre. When you arrive, Call Julia on 07801756863	Julia
 Wellbeing day at The Junction	10-2pm Saturday, 13 July	Come and take part in some fun taster workshops: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a go at Yoga Make a glorious summer wreath Learn about herbs and how to grow them 	Join us at The Junction Centre, 2-4 Cathall Road, Leytonstone E11 4LF You can register on the day. The activities are on the first floor. There is a lift.	Anna
 Visit to Biscuit Museum in Bermondsey	10:30 – 2 Sunday, 14 July	Meet for a short stroll and picnic in Southwark Park and then a curated visit to the Peek Frean Biscuit Museum. Bring your own picnic.	Meet: 10:30 outside Walthamstow Central Station or 11:15 Bermondsey Underground Station (jubilee line)	Moo Ling Anna

 Felt Brooch Making	3pm – 5pm Tuesday, 16 July	3-4 brooch making 4-5 making a pencil pot	Workshop in Wood Street Library This workshop is suitable for adults and children. You can enrol online or turn up and enrol on the day	Sidiqua
 Talk and Walk in Lloyd Park	10-11:30am Saturday 13 July Saturday 19 July	Talking and strolling around this beautiful park.	We meet at 10 in front of the main entrance to the William Morris Gallery on Forest Road. Children (and dogs) welcome	Andrea Hilary Meeta Paul
 Walk to Connaught Water and Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge	11-2 Friday 26 July	Connaught Water is a lake in Epping forest. We will visit Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge, then walk round the lake. The Hunting Lodge is a short walk from Chingford Station	Meet 11.05 outside Walthamstow Central Station. We will take the 11.18 overground train to Chingford. <u>If no trains we will catch the 92 bus.</u> Bring a picnic Children (and dogs) welcome	Anjum



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