The Barn Croft Newsletter

Courage, Love, Excellence

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week we've had at Barn Croft! On Tuesday, we were delighted to welcome Councillor Kizzy Gardiner, who joined us for lunch to celebrate National Schools' Week. She spent time chatting with lots of children, learning all about our wonderful school community. She particularly enjoyed hearing about our No Outsiders work and sharing some lovely conversations with our pupils – they certainly made a great impression!

This week, our Year 6 pupils had a trip to the Science Museum as part of their unit on light and shadows. Next week, the excitement continues, with several classes heading off on trips to the cinema, the Natural History Museum, and even a special visit to the Docklands Museum. It's definitely a busy week ahead for trips – we can't wait!

A big thank you to all the parents who attended meetings this week to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their work. Your positive feedback was much appreciated, and we hope you found the discussions valuable. If you couldn't attend, please do reach out to your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative time. A huge thank you also to staff for staying late into the evenings this week alongside a full on teaching week – I do home teachers all have a well-deserved restful weekend.

In your child's bag today, you'll find a letter from Mrs. Schweitzer, our new Headteacher. She will be visiting Barn Croft on Monday to meet everyone in assembly.

Finally, with the cold snap forecasted next week, please make sure your children come to school with coats every day. Have a lovely weekend, everyone!

Miss Kelly Acting Headteacher



Certificates this week have been awarded for Writing

Reception – Alma & Frankie Year 1 – Edison & Oscar Year 2 – Suellen & Uma Year 3 – Mabel & Samy Year 4 – Aidan & Tabby Year 5 – Ami & Otis Year 6 – Izabela & Josephine

Key Diary Dates

29th November Year 2 Bake sale

7th December Winter Fair 11-12am SEND time 12-3pm

10th December KS1 Christmas Show 9:30-10:30am in Hall

11th December EYFS Christmas Show 9:30-10:00am in Hall

19th December School ends at <u>2:00pm</u>

29th December – 3rd January Christmas Holiday

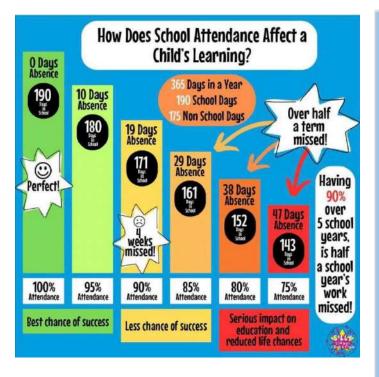
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Year 1 – Travis Year 2 – Eli Year 3 – Doran Year 4 - Winni Year 5 – Rosalie Year 6 – Grady Non-Uniform Day

Friday 22nd November

Year 2

Dates for your Diary - Class Trips Year 1 – 21st November - Museum of London - Docklands Year 2 – 20th November - Science Trip Year 3 – TBC Year 4 – 28th Nov 2024 - Kung Fu Panda 4 Year 5 – 19 Nov 2024 - The Wild Robot Year 6 – 12th November - Science Museum Nurture Room - 20 Nov 2024 - Migration (Autism Friendly)







Parents/ Carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, you are invited to our

Parent Maths Workshop

- ★ Do you want to know how maths is taught in our school?
- ★ Would you like fun games and resources to help support your child with maths at home?

Please come along to our Maths Workshop in school where we'll guide you through how we teach maths at Barn Croft and share strategies you can use to support your child's learning at home.

When:	Tuesday 26th November 2024 from 9 to 10 am
Where:	Barn Croft School Hall
Who:	Parents and Carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

We are encouraging all parents to attend, but children may be supported by another significant adult – i.e. grandparent, other relative, close family friend – who can share the workshop ideas and homework plan with the parents for ongoing support.

We need to know numbers so please sign up below! We would love to see you! To sign up please fill the form <u>attached here</u> or scan the QR code below.







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A Ride It Out A

We all know parenting comes with highs and lows but SEND parenting comes with a continual fight to ensure your child is given opportunities to reach their full potential.

Come celebrate the joys, expel the anger and release the endorphins by sweating it out in a RIDE class at East of Eden and let's ride the emotional waves together!

When? Friday 8th, Wednesday 13th, Wednesday 20th, Friday 29th November at 1.30pm-2pm

Where? East Of Eden, Studio 1, 14 Hatherley Mews, E17 4QP

Cost: FREE or voluntary donation if you can

Book as many of the sessions as you like!



Head to our website to find out more and book tickets www.thetogetherspace.co.uk

BOOK ONLINE www.Camp-Wild.co.uk 07414 274 015 info@camp-wild.co.uk £37.95/d / £159.95wk (ages 5-12) Camp Cubs E27.95/d / E124.95wk (ages 3 **Childcare Vouchers Accepted OFSTED** Registered

ges 5-12: 8:30-5:30pm* *8:30-9:30 drop off 4:30-5:30 pick up Extended 8-6pm available

Christmas Holidays

23rd December '24

27th December **30th December** 2nd-3rd January '25 Woodford Wells Club (Woodford Green, IG8 0NL) Available for ages 3-12

ART FOREST SCHOOL

SENSORY SAND GARDENS

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024

13.00 - 14.30

Be inspired by Japanese Zen gardens & Joseph Cornell's 'Shadow Boxes' using natural calming materials. SEND family friendly

£14 FULL PRICE £10 SIBLING AND SEND £8 SUGGESTED/ PAY AS YOU CAN **BOOK HERE >>>**



GOOD SHEPHERD STUDIOS LEYTONSTONE, E11

FREE Family Learning Courses and workshops 2024/25



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - 90 minute workshops for families ailability: weekdays from 3pm Family cookery workshops (pizzas or energy balls) Family craft workshops (making board games or origami)

PARENTING SKILLS - 2 hour classes x 5 weeks for parents



Availability: Mon, Tues, Weds or Thurs between 09:30 and 14:30
Calm Parents, Calm Children Raising Resilient and Confident Children SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING - 2 hour classes x 5 weeks for parents illability: Mon, Tues, Weds or Thurs between 09:30 and 14:30 Keeping up with the children in Maths or English



Everyday English for Parents (ESOL) **Understanding Coding**

Navigating the world of prepaid cards and debit cards for children

LIFE SKILLS & WELLBEING - 2 hour workshops for parents

- Availability: Mon, Tues or Weds between 09:30 and 14:30 E-Safety
- Making the most of AI and Chat GPT
- Budgeting/Saving Money on Your Food Shopping
- Seed sowing, plant propagation or vegetable growing (Thurs only)

DIGITAL SKILLS COURSES - 2 hour classes x 5 weeks for parents Availability: Mon, Tues or Weds between 09:30 and 14:30

- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- Using Canva to produce posters, videos and social media content

CAREER BASED WORKSHOP5 - 2 hour workshops for parents

- Availability: Mon. Tues, Weds or Thurs between 09:30 and 14:30
- Exploring a career in Customer Service





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SATURDAY

WILDCATS: AGE 4-6

WILDCATS: AGE 7-11

SQUAD GIRLS : AGE 12-16

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JUST PLAY: AGE 18+ (FREE* WITH CODE GNRU7K24) JUST PLAY: AGE 16-17 START 5 NOVEMEBR (FREE* WITH CODE RZGCRZN3 UNTIL JANUARY)

TUESDAY

6-7:30PN WILDCATS: AGE 7-11

ADULT

SQUAD GIRLS: AGE 12-16

HOW TO FIND US

R HOME GROUND IS SALISBURY HALL AND BLADES PLAYING FIELDS, WALTHAMSTOW E4 8ST.

D, WALK OR DRIVE INTO SAI PARK AT THE REAR OF THE BUILDING

THE CAR PARK OFFERS 3 HOURS OF FREE PARKIN

BUS ROUTES: 34, 97, 215, 158, 357, 397, W11 TO WALTHAMSTOW STADIUM OR LOW HALL



OR VISIT AFCLEYTON.CO.UK/TICKETS

ALL ABILITIES WELCOM





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
FA0382F1	Sewing and textile crafts, beginners course for parents	Queens Road Family Hub Queens Road E17	13.11.2024 - 11.12.2024	10 -12pm	Wednesday

Join us for a fun and engaging beginners course designed specifically for parents looking to dive into the world of sewing and textile crafts! Whether you're eager to create unique clothing for your little ones, make personalised gifts or simply explore a new hobby, this course offers the perfect starting point. Learn the basics of sewing techniques, fabric selection, and essential tools in a supportive environment. Each session includes hands on projects that will boost your confidence and ignite your creativity. Connect with fellow parents, share ideas, and leave with beautiful creations that you can cherish or gift. No prior experience necessary—just bring your enthusiasm and let's get crafting! If you have any questions regarding family learning activities, please contact cherie.cowan-smith@walthamforest.gov.uk Curriculum Manager Family Learning



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FA0291C5	Improve your Digital skills for Parents	Queens Road Learning Centre	05.11.2024 - 4.12.2024	10:00 - 12:00 pm	Wednesday
A0255C4 Calm Parents, Calm Children - Parenting		ONLINE	07.11.2024 - 05.12.2024	7:30 - 9:30 pm	Thursday
FA0300F1	Create a Seasonal Wreath - Families learning together	Walthamstow library	09.11.2024	12:30 - 2:30pm	Saturday
FA0146C3	A Parent's Guide to Understanding Phonics KS1	Queens Road Learning Centre	13.11.2024	1:00 pm- 2:30pm	Wednesday
FA0382F1	Sewing & Textile Crafts: A Beginner's Course for Parents	Queens Road Family Hub	13.11.2024 - 11.12.2024	10:00 - 12:00pm	Wednesday
FA0399F1	Decorating Festive Iced biscuits	Community Farm Kitchen, E11 3NH	30.11.2024	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Saturday
FA0189C4	Create a Festive Christmas Tree Decoration	Lea Bridge Road Library	07.12.2024 - 07.11.2024	12:30 - 2:30pm	Saturday

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





Barn Croft Primary School Calendar 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024 (74 days)	
Monday 2 nd September Tuesday 3 rd September	Staff Training Day – School Closed Staff Training Day – School Closed
Wednesday 4 th September Friday 18 th October	School Starts School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 21 st October - Friday 25 th October	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 28 th October	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Tuesday 29 th October	School Starts
Thursday 19th December	School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term
Friday 20 th December – Friday 3 rd January	Christmas Holiday – School Closed
Spring Term 2025 (60 days)	
Monday 6 th January	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Tuesday 7 th January	School Starts
Friday 14th February	School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 17 th February - Friday 21 st February	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
<mark>Monday 24th February</mark> Friday 4 th April	School Starts School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term
Monday 7 th April – Monday 21 st April	Easter Holiday – School Closed
Summer Term 2025 (61 days)	
Tuesday 22 nd April	School Starts
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Friday 23 rd May	School Ends – Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 26 th May - Friday 30 th May	Half-Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 2 nd June	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Tuesday 3 rd June	School Starts
Wednesday 23 rd July	School Ends at 2:00pm - Last Day of Term