



Barnett Wood Infant School

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Newsletter - Summer Term 2019



Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the Spring break. The staff and I are looking forward to another term full of fun and exciting events for you and your children. **Swimming starts in three weeks so please take time to read the Swimming Brochure** so that you are aware of all the opportunities available at our pool. As the children will be outside for most of their PE lessons, please make sure your child has plimsolls or trainers that fit them in their PE bags.

We ask our families to walk, bike or scoot to school as often as possible please. REMEMBER EVERYONE CAN WALK THE TRACK ON MONDAY AND FRIDAY MORNINGS from 8.30am to 8.45am. You may drop your child off and walk with us.

-  **Staff news** - Mrs Manders returns in June following her maternity leave and we thank Mrs Hill and Mrs Proudfoot for covering so well during this time.
-  **Swimming Pool news** - The wall has gone, a new fence with portholes has been erected, more space has been created and the maintenance team are working on the pool in readiness for safe swimming this season. We invite all our parents to a **GRAND OPENING** of the pool area on **Monday 13th May at 1.00pm to 1.30pm**. We will be thanking all those involved in helping with the works and each class will walk through the changing rooms and pool area to view the changes. The first toddler swim starts at 2.00pm.
-  **Website, app and parent mail** - We continue to keep you informed via our communication structures. Please let us know if you have any other ideas or if your contact information changes. To reduce paper going home in book bags, all adverts for clubs etc will appear on the Parent noticeboard in the front playground. Please view this regularly for local clubs.
-  **Year 2 End of key stage assessments take place in May.** Information meeting for Yr 2 parents on 3rd May to show you what this means for your children (see dates for times). More information is available at www.education.gov.uk/assessment
-  **Yr 1 phonics Check-** The phonics screening check for all children in Year 1 will take place during the week of 10th June 2019. Information work shop for parents on 21st May.
-  **Ashtead Village Day - Saturday 8th June.** We look forward to taking our Yr 2 Maypole Club Dancers to Village day this year. We will be dancing at 1.00pm approx. Ashtead Rotary club are also running a 'Party in the Park' on Saturday 27th April. This is a free event. See school website for more details.

Dog therapy at Barnett Wood Infant School

The school has a therapy dog, 'Billy' who visits the school every Thursday for an hour. He is supervised by his owner, Alix. Individual children read to Billy and we always seek permission before this happens. This project is proving popular and a number of children and parents have requested that they become involved also.

Mrs Penny regularly looks after a dog called, 'Rosie', who is a Cavapoo. Rosie lives with a family in Ashted and is 5 years old. She is very well behaved, completed a dog-training course and has all the necessary vaccinations. She has visited Barnett Wood on pet days.


We are planning to extend our reading sessions with Rosie so that more children can benefit from the calm and therapeutic support a dog can give.

Rosie will stay in Mrs Penny's office on Tuesdays mornings this half term and children will be invited to read to Rosie under Mrs Penny's supervision. We will be approaching parents for permission. Unless you are approached your child will not see the dog.

Some requests and reminders:



- ◆ Please make sure all items belonging to your child are clearly labelled with their name including swimming costumes.
- ◆ On sunny days please apply sunscreen before school and supply a sun hat labelled with name.
- ◆ This term, weather permitting, packed lunches will eat outside in the shade.
- ◆ We ask for a £40 donation for each child in order to pay our swimming season.
- ◆ We publish all paperwork on our website which is updated regularly.
- ◆ You may drop your child off from 8.30am every day. A charge of 50p for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to cover staff costs. Mondays and Fridays are free as we walk the track. Please come and join us or drop your child off.
- ◆ Please do not play on the field after school. If you would like to stay for a short time after school, we ask the children and you to play by the ship and gazebo and not by the building as teachers and office staff continue to work.
- ◆ Do not park in the roads around school. It takes 4 minutes to walk from the community centre car park.

Last term we sent you a paper copy of the **School Swimming Arrangements**, which included the timetable and what the children will need for school swimming. Today we enclose a paper copy of the **Summer Swimming Scheme Brochure**, which is also available on the website.

 **Swimming starts week beginning 13th May** -The Friends have funded all the works on the pool area and hired a Professional Maintenance contractor, (phil@specialistpools.co.uk) to set up the pool with the maintenance team. Because of all the works on the pool this year, the Friends reserves are significantly depleted. We plan to organise a sponsored swim which will take place during your child's swim session week 17th June to try and replenish the coffers. Please collect as many sponsors as you can. There will be a prize of a free swimming session for the most amount raised.

We receive no funding to run the pool so its success really is up to all of us.

DATES AND EVENTS CALENDAR FOR SUMMER TERM 2019

 ALL TERM 	Please walk, bike, scoot to school. Park in the community centre car park. This will count as a walk. DO NOT PARK IN ROADS OPPOSITE SCHOOL
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Date	Time and Place	Event
Tuesday 23 rd April	Return to school	Beginning of Summer Term
Saturday 27 th April	Ashtead Rec 2.30pm to 5.30pm	Party in the Park, Rotary Club
Sunday 28 th April	10.00 to 1.00pm	Family Easter Egg Hunt at Barnett Wood School.
Thursday 2 nd May	School hall	Class Photos
Friday 3 rd May	9.00, 2.30pm Please choose a time.	Year 2 Parents - Mrs Penny will explain the types of tasks and tests your children will be taking in May.
Monday 6 th May	BANK HOLIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSED BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 7 th May	9.00am	All POOL CHECKERS - Please choose a session to attend training at the swimming pool.
Thursday 9 th May	2.00pm	
Saturday 11 th May	12.00pm	
Wednesday 8 th May	ALL DAY	Reception classes to visit BROOKLANDS MUSEUM
Tuesday 14 th May	ALL DAY	Year 1 to visit WINDSOR CASTLE
Monday 13th May	1.00pm to 1.30pm	GRAND OPENING OF SWIMMING POOL
WEEK 13th May	THIS WEEK	SWIMMING POOL - CLASS SESSIONS START
Tuesday 21 st May	9.00, 2.30 Please choose one session	Mrs Penny will explain the Phonic Screening check to Year 1 parents.
Friday 24 th May	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY - STAFF TRAINING DAY
Monday 27th to 31st May	SCHOOL CLOSED	HALF TERM
Monday 4th June	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY - STAFF TRAINING DAY
Friday 7 th June		MUFTI DAY. Children may wear their own clothes in return for a toy for the Summer Fair
Saturday 8 th June	1.00pm (approx)	Ashtead Village Day - Yr 2 to Maypole Dance
Sunday 9 th June		Summer Swim Scheme starts
Monday 10 th June	At some time during the week	Each Year 1 child will have their phonic knowledge assessed (10 minute sessions approx for each child)
Monday 10 th June	3.00pm to 6.00pm	All swimming pool supervisors to attend training at the pool. Bring costumes and warm clothes.
Wednesday 12 th June	9.30 to 11.30am 1.15 to 2.30pm	OPEN DAY for prospective families
Thursday 20 th June	Afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.00pm	ELEPHANT GRANDPARENTS TEA PARTY. The children will be inviting their Grandparents to Afternoon Tea and entertaining them for the afternoon. More details to follow.
Friday 21 st June	Afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.00pm	ZEBRA GRANDPARENTS TEA PARTY. The children will be inviting their Grandparents to Afternoon Tea and entertaining them for the afternoon. More details to follow.
Saturday 22nd June	12.00 - 3.00pm	OUR SUMMER FAIR
Thursday 27 th June	7.00pm	GOVERNORS MEETING
		PTO for more dates

Monday 1 st July		Reception and Yr1 records of achievement out to parents this week.
Thursday 4 th July	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Induction Evening for new parents
Friday 5 th July (Tues 10 th alternative if 6 th is wet)	9.15 - 11.30 11.45 - 12.45	Sports morning followed by: Family picnic (you may take your child home after the picnic but this is not compulsory) Would anyone like to run a refreshment stall for parents? Please let Mrs Penny know.
Week 8 th July		Records of Achievement out to Yr2 parents this week.
Tuesday 9 th July Wednesday 17 th July	Morning session Afternoon session	All visit new classes (Yr2 gala practise - Mrs Penny) All visit new classes (Yr 2 with Mrs Penny)
Thursday 11 th July (18 th alternative if 11 th too cold)	10.00 - 12.00	Yr 2 Swimming Gala - parents welcome. Please bring shade if it is a hot day.
Friday 12 th July	5.00pm -7.00pm	Celebratory Parents Evening with Exhibition of work. Come and see your child's work and meet your child's new teacher at any time during the evening. Whole family welcome.
Wednesday 17 th July	5.30 - 7.30pm	Yr 2 BBQ and Final assembly
Tuesday 23 rd July	2.00 pm	END OF TERM
Wed 24 th July	All Day	INSET - Staff Training Day
Monday 9 th Sept Monday 9 th Sept	From 8.45am From 9.30am	Yr 1 and 2 return to school Reception staggered start during this week.