



Welcome back, I hope you had a great break. We are pleased to confirm that on 1st April our school converted to Academy status and has joined with Brookburn to form a Multi Academy Trust called LINK Learning Trust.

In light of the government's announcement of a General Election on 8th June we will be closed to pupils on that day as we will be a polling station for the day.

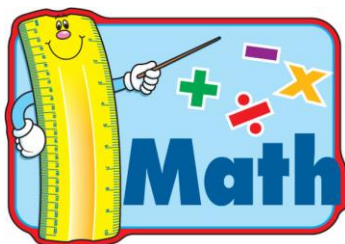
We are currently looking at ways of stopping dog soiling on the front field which tends to be a problem after a holiday. We will put up new signage but any community information about the use of our front field by dog owners could you please let me know.

Jayne Kennedy

Year 3/4 Parent Workshops

Thank you to those parents who attend the Y3/4 Addition. Maths workshop this Thursday We hope that parents found it very useful to look at how maths is taught in school and at strategies that can be used to support their children with at home. We look forward to seeing parents at the upcoming workshops each Wednesday for the next few weeks. These will be:

27 April – subtraction; 4 May – multiplication; 11 May division; 18 May – Fractions



Year 3/4 Focus

Year 3/4 are excited to be trying to predict about inventions in the future and to learn about what opportunities there could be for them in the future. This links to our whole school topic, 'When I'm older...' and the children themselves have thought about some fantastic questions that they will be aiming to investigate over the next few weeks.



Swimming for classes 4AM and 34AC will be starting up again next week and the children are motivated to further make progress with their swimming skills! Class 3LH have Forest School starting next week and the children are very eager to experience outdoor life!

Disability Awareness

Manchester City coaches came in to school this week as part of a 3 session project on disability awareness. The session started with a talk about different disabilities and then pupils had to put themselves into the position of a disabled person by trying to play some games without the use of some of their senses. some games for example by being blindfolded or muted and next week are learning about Paralympics and trying to play seated volleyball.



In recent years there has been great concern about Childhood obesity and a lack of fitness in children. In a bid to help children in her school become healthier, a head teacher in a school in Stirling Scotland, began a new initiative encouraging children to run, jog or walk for 15 minutes each day in school. Over the last few weeks children here at Barlow Hall have begun preparation for their own 'Daily Mile' experience, following the same 15 minutes running, jogging or walking exercise each day to boost energy levels, confidence, fitness and emotional well-being. Children do not get changed into their PE kits but just get out into the fresh air for some daily exercise. The children have responded fantastically to the challenge and it seems to be working well in school.



Monday 1st May – school closed – May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 26 May – Break up 3 pm – Half Term

Monday 4th June – Return to school
Thursday 8th June – School Closed to children - Polling Day

Friday 21st July – Break up 2 pm – NO After School Club



Well done to all those children who received 100% attendance awards in this week's Attendance Assemblies. It was wonderful to see so many children receiving awards and to see the fantastic progress made by some children evidenced by the impact made on their progress and confidence due to improved attendance.

Week commencing April 24th

Mon : SATs Boosters

Nursery Home Visits start
MUFC in the community in Year 6

Tues Thinc Room Intervention Parents Meetings start
Nursery Home Visits

Wed SATs Boosters

Nursery Home Visits
Thinc Room Intervention Parents Meetings
MCFC in Y5 – disability Awareness

Thurs:2SK Class Assembly

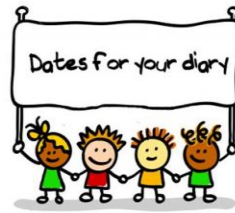
Forest School 3LH/ 2SK
MCFC in Reception Class

Y3+4 Parents Maths Workshop 3:15 – 4:15

Fri : SATs boosters

Swimming 4AM and 3/4AC

To see our regularly updated website calendar for more details of what is happening in school. <http://barlowhallprimary.co.uk/calendar>



Free Nursery Places Available

Please contact the office for more information

Nursery 2017/18

We still have some availability for free full-time Nursery places in September. Please see Tracey in the office or telephone 0161 881 2158 to find out more



Reception Class

Reception Class Admissions 17/18

If anyone you know has a child born between 1/9/12 and 31/8/13 who has not yet applied for a Reception class place please let them know that they must apply for a Reception class place as soon as possible as Manchester City Council are currently preparing their second round of offers and places may not be available in local school once this has happened.



It would appear that although parents are receiving School-Cal emails, some parents are still not getting notifications to their phone about what is happening in school, including the fact that the weekly newsletter is available to read.

Since people do not always read their emails this means some parents are missing vital information from school.

To ensure you get notification please follow the steps below:

1. Reinstall the app on your phone, log into the app using the email address you have given us.
2. Click on forgotten password. You will then be able to set a new one.
3. Log into the app using your new password and make sure your phone is set to allow notifications from the app (do this in your phone settings).

child of the week

Due to our Attendance Assemblies on the first Week back in School there was no Child of the Week Awards.

Child of the Week Awards will restart this Monday 24th April.

If your child is to receive a certificate in our Celebration Assembly on Monday at 9:10 am we will send out a message on School-Cal to let you know

Attendance overview from 01/09/16 to 31/03/17

Present: 96.5% Authorised Absence 1.1% Lates: 708

Nur B 88.9 %	Nur Y 89.2%	Nur R 91.5 %
Rec O 94.2 %	Rec P 95.8%	
1NA 95.3 %	2SK 95.5%	1/2EH 95.3 %
3LH 93.7 %	AC 97.3%	4AM 96.6%
5MJ 96.6%	5AV 96.0%	6AB 96.2%

ABSENCE

Use the Studybugs App to report your child's absence

Please download the NHS Studybugs app tenable you to report children's absence directly to school via the App

<https://studybugs.com/about/parents> to install your free app download.

