

Barlow Hall Primary School

School website: barlowhall.co.uk

Thank you to those parents who have been able to join us for this week's Reception class Reading Workshop and the KS1 Maths workshop, we hope you found the sessions useful and helpful. Please look out for more forthcoming workshops, including the KS2 SATs workshop which will take place on 6th March. Thank you for the warm welcome you have given to Karen Diamond, our new Y2 teacher who will be covering for Mrs Kay during her maternity leave. Please ensure that you collect a copy of the skillset requirements if you are interested in applying to become a parent governor in our forthcoming elections and don't forget to register your interest if you feel that you meet those requirements. Jayne Kennedy

Maths Focus.



We have a lot going on in Maths around the school. Mrs Boland is delivering a programme called First Class at Number supporting children's number skills in Year

2. Mrs Leah is running First Class at Number 2 to support basic numeracy in Years 3 and 4. Ms Ford also supports children one to one who need a bit more help with their numeracy. Thanks to all the parents who attended the Maths workshop for Key Stage 1.



Olympic Athlete Visit

We would like to say a big thank you to Team GB's Triple Jump British Champion **Naomi Ogbeta** who visited Barlow hall primary School last week. Naomi gave a heartfelt and inspiring assembly to the children and promoted a healthy lifestyle to all the children from Nursery to Y6. The children thoroughly enjoyed

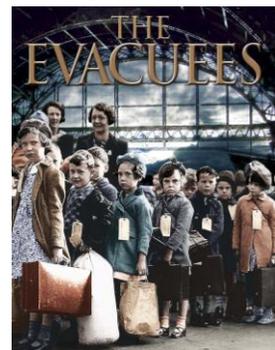
completing their sponsored circuits with Naomi, and had thought up some fantastic questions for her to answer. Thank you to those children who have already brought in their sponsorship money and could we please ask that any remaining money be brought in to school on Monday. We will let you know how much was raised by the event which was delivered by such a lovely young lady. We wish her well in her future events and endeavours.

Year 6 Flag Football



Year 6 have been taking part in what will be a weekly session of flag football training run by the NFL. The 12 week programme, which is sponsored by Subway is being provided free of charge to school and not only teaches the children football but also aims to develop their teamwork skills and future aspirations

Y3+4 Evacuees and WW2



LKS2 are really looking forward to our WW2 'Wow' day on 15th February when the children have been asked to come into school dressed as evacuee for the day. We will also be having a theatre company in school for the day to show the children what it was like to live in wartime Britain. Thank you to those parents who have already made their £3 contribution towards the cost of the day and please could we ask for any remaining donations from Y3 and 4 parents to be given to the class teachers before next Friday, the 9th February.



Parent Governor elections

As you will be aware we have launched our appeal for a new parent governor to join Barlow Hall's Academy council. Information has been sent out via School Cal and on paper but anyone considering applying for the role will need to register their interest by emailing Ms Kennedy at: admin@barlowhallprimary.co.uk Voting will take place on Wednesday 28th March and ballot forms will be accessed via School Cal so please make sure you are logged in to the app on your phone,



Reading Bus

Please join us for our Reading Bus Working Party on Friday 9th Feb to get the community fund raising going. Coffee and biscuits provided, please bring along your ideas for how we make our bus a fantastic library space for our children.



World book day 1st March

This year World Book Day will have a female author focus in school and Nursery class are being asked to come into school dressed as their favourite Julia Donaldson character. See class teachers if you need help with ideas. This year, we will be asking parents for a donation towards our Reading Bus Appeal for children to dress up for World Book Day and as usual children will receive a book token at the end of World book Day.

Week commencing 5 February

Mon Glaramara Residential

KS1 PPA – PE kit required

Y5/6 Outdoor Learning Experience all week (outdoor clothing to be brought into school and left for week)

Tues KS2 PPA - PE Kit required

Y2SK Parent's Evening

Wed Venture Arts in the Communication Centre

Nursery PCI group – parent session only

City Cooks parent + child

Thur 5SP+1EH – Forest School

Time Traveler's Parent Group

Fri 9 – Parents Reading Bus Working Group Meeting

Young Leader EYFS Training

3MJ + 4AM Swimming

To see our website calendar for more details

<http://barlowhallprimary.co.uk/calendar>

child of the week

Well done to those children who have received certificates this week for demonstrating excellent behaviours that are supporting their learning and helping them to achieve well.

Bailee, Rosie, Scarlet, Ciara, Liam, Michaela

Daniel, Aaliyah, Taylor, Elhareth, Lois, Alfie, Harris

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 22/1/18 to 26/12/18

Present: 97.5% Unauthorised Absence 0.9% Lates: 36

Nur B 87.9%	Nur Y 91.3%	
Rec O 99.0%	Rec P 95.7%	
1NA 95.8%	2SK 98.0%	1/2EH 99.2%
3MJ 96.7%	¾ AC 98.1%	4AM 97.0%
5AV 100% **	5/6SP 99.0%	6AB. 93.8%

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?



February

Mon 12th Safety week

Tues 13 –Y3/4 AC Parents Evening

Y5+6 Fire Service Visit - Safe4Winter

Wed 14 EYFS CNY Dance workshop

Thur 15 Rec Class to China Town

KS1 India WOW Day

LKS2 –WW2 WOW Day

Fri 16 – Break up

w/c 26 – Y3 and 4 Assessment Week

March

Thur 1 – World Book Day – come dressed as a favourite book character for a donation to the Reading Bus Appeal

Tue 6 Animalsintuition visit for Year 3 and 4

Year 2 SATs workshop Breakfast Club

Wed 7 One Goal Aspirations Day for Y6

Thur 8 Y6 Bulb planting with Southway

w/c Mon 12 Y1,5+6 Assessment Week

Term Dates 2017/18



TERM DATES

Friday 16th February – Break up 3 pm

Monday 26th February – Return to school

Thursday 29th March – Break up 2 pm
(No After School Club)

Monday 17th April – Return to School

Thursday 3rd May – INSET Day

Friday 4th May – INSET Day

Monday 7th May – Bank Holiday

Friday 25th May – Break up 3 pm

Monday 4th June - Return to school



Late For School

Despite our repeated requests for children to arrive in school on time we still had 36 late children last week. Due to the disruption this causes, not only to the child themselves but also to the rest of the class whose learning is interrupted, we will be raising the focus on punctuality from next week. More information to follow. Children from Y1 -6 must be in their lines by 8:55 am ready to go into school with their teacher and start work at 9 am.

Please ensure that your child is in school on time to prevent there being an impact on your child's progress or self-esteem.