

We have had a great sunny week at Barlow Hall this week. Well done to our year 2 children for working so hard on our quizzes this week. Thanks also to the nursery and reception parents who joined Emily Alderson, our speech and language therapist, for our Speech and Language workshop, parents gave very positive feedback and we hope they found it very informative. Have a lovely week off next week and we look forward to seeing everyone back, for our busy last half term of this academic year on Monday 4th June.  
Jayne Kennedy

# Communication Centre

## New Lunchtime Clubs for Communication Centre children



We have started to run two lunchtime clubs each week for children in the Communication Centre and some of their classmates. The most popular one is the Super Clover Club, which is a board games and cards club run by Mr McCartney. Earlier in the year we also had a gardening club and this has been replaced by a Cars Club this term. Playtimes and playgrounds can be stressful for some children with autism and so the clubs enable them to mix with their classmates in a less stressful environment.

## Zones of Regulation

The Zones of Regulation

Blue (Blue Zone)	Green (Green Zone)	Yellow (Yellow Zone)	Red (Red Zone)
Sad	Happy	Nervous	Angry
Upset	Excited	Surprised	Yelling
Hurt	Calm	Confused	Aggressive
Tired	Proud	Silly	Mad

We are continuing to use the Zones of Regulation in the Communication Centre, which is a visual programme to help children understand and express their feelings. The children have become skilled at recognising which 'zone' they are in and also starting to recognise the 'zones' of other people.

We are starting to use this programme across the school as it is a useful tool for all children, helping them to become more self-aware and able to understand and regulate their emotions.

## NFL Flag Football



Year 6 attended a NFL flag football tournament last Friday 18th May, hosted at Platt Fields training ground and funded by Subway. This followed 10 weeks of American Flag Football training from expert coaches. The year 5 and 6

team did very well, coming second out of their group of 5 teams. The team received medals for participating and have been given all of the flag football equipment for the school to keep!



Commemorating the Arena Bombings 1 year on from the Manchester Arena bombings, staff and children at Barlow Hall joined the rest of Manchester and much of the nation in two minutes silence to remember the victims of the tragedy. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to all who were affected by the events of last year and we have our own Manchester Bee tribute to Manchester's coming together and resilience in the office area and corridor. Well done to KS1 for their lovely work.

SAY CHEESE!



Individual and class photographs were taken by Kittle Photographers throughout the day on Wednesday. The whole process took place with the military precision needed to ensure that 337 children and 14 separate class or group photographs as well as sibling pictures were taken in time. Thank you to Sharon and Mr Stoneman for ensuring that every child in school on the day had their picture taken. Proofs should be with us after the half term holidays.



## Open Doors at the Manchester Art Gallery

Welcome to Open Doors Open doors is a creative workshop especially for children and adults with autism and other social communication issues, their families and carers. We open our doors early so that you can come and enjoy and explore art together. This Months session is: Saturday May 26th, 9.15–11.15pm Please feel free to call Katy McCall on 0161 235 8869 if you have any questions or would like to find out more

## Week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> Jun

### Mon 4 Return to school

KS1 PPA PE kits needed

### Tues Nursery and Reception Transition starts

KS2 PPA - PE Kit required

### Wed Y5/6 Rights Respecting presentation to parents 2 pm

#### Families Connect Project 1-3

### Thur Nursery Museum trip Blue Gp

5AV/2SK Forest School

### Fri Nursery Museum Red Gp

Swimming 4AM + 3/4AC

Break Up 3 pm

## 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.

Melody, Joel, Lyra, Musa, Destini, Atrin,  
Melanie, Sahil, Joshua, Eva, Flynn, Niva, Ruby  
Miss Hughes Year 2 children all received the award for their hard  
work and resilience in SATs Week

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 14/5/18 to 18/5/18

98.2% Unauthorised Absence 1.8% Lates: 26

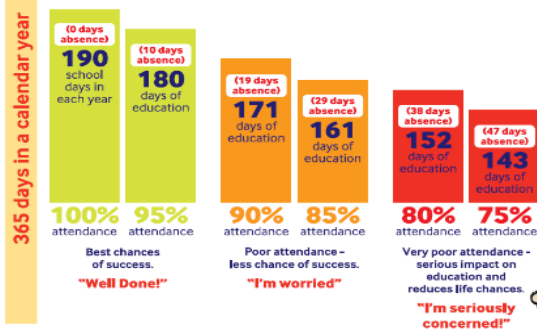
Nur B 82.0 %	Nur Y 92.3%	
Rec O 96.4%	Rec P 91.0%	
1NA 97.1%	2SK 96.7%	1/2EH 98.5 %
3MJ 98.5%	¾ AC 96.9%	4AM 97.7%
5AV 99.7% ***	5/6SP 100 % ***	6AB. 98.9%

## Good attendance means...

being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days

### 175 days not at school!

All this time for shopping, holidays and appointments



Did you know? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance a child can achieve is 94.7%



Mon 11 Assessment Week

Y1 Phonics Screening Test

Tue 12 – Nurs+Rec transition 1:30 – 2:30

Thur 14 Rec class trip to Delamere Forest

Thur 14 Y1/2 EH Assembly

Mon 18 – Money Week

Tue 19 Open Day Rec Parents

Thur 21 Y5/6 Blackpool Trip

Mon 25 Y3/4 trip to Simply Cycling

Thur 28 – 3MJ Class Assembly

### Term Dates 2017/18



Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Return to school

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July Break up 2 pm

No After School Club

September 2018

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> School closed – INSET Day

Closed all day to children and parents

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> School Closed – INSET Day

Open for Uniform sales 1 – 2 pm

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> School open to children.



### Nursery Waiting List

If you know of anyone who would like to join our Nursery waiting list for a place in

September either in our 2 year old provision, Barlow Bears, or in our Nursery class please ask them to contact the office to put their children's names on the list. School will then contact parents when a place becomes available

### Autistic Meet Up - Board Games at Fanboy 3



Sun 27 May 2018 10:00 – 12:00

Fan Boy Three 25 Hilton Street M1 1EL

New features for our second meet up:

**Traffic Light System for interaction.**

**Green:** I want to make friends and join in with you, please come and chat with me! **Orange:** Please do not approach me unless I have already spoken to you and given you permission. **Red:** Please do not initiate any interaction with me.

**We will have some games set up** upon arrival so people can get playing straight away is they want to.