

Thank you for a great, but wet, week in school this week. Hopefully the weather will be better for The Y5/6 trip to Blackpool on Monday! As you are aware, attendance and punctuality are things we place a high value on at Barlow Hall. Absence impacts so much on children, not only on their learning but on their wellbeing because they don't know where they are up to and what is happening. Missing school can be very detrimental to them, especially at the start of term when they find out all about the year to come and establish their friendship groups. In line with many schools we will not be authorising any holidays in September. Children return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September and any child not back in school on that day will be given and unauthorised absence. **Jayne Kennedy**

**Focus on Year 3 and 4**



**Year 3 & 4**

This term year 3 and 4 have been studying the topic Making a Difference. We have learnt all about deforestation and have now started some of our work on Endangered Animals. As part of this, we are looking forward to learning about some of these animals next week in our Animals In Tuition session. 34C will also be holding their class assembly on this topic

on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 9.15, so parents of any children in 34 AC are welcome to attend. To find out more about Animals in Tuition and the work they do go to: <http://www.animalsintuition.co.uk/>



**Making a difference**

All of KS2 are enjoying our Making a Difference topic, and are looking forward to completing an Art project with Mrs Law over the next few weeks to look at the effect on the environment of some of the issues we have been studying. To find out what we have been learning about and see our Art work, all parents are invited to an



Environmental Summit at the school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm.

**Music:**



Barlow Hall is now a Charanga Musical school! We will be using Charanga Music to deliver our Music curriculum in all classes from September 2019. We are also looking in to different ways to provide opportunities for our children to explore different aspects

of the world of Music. Recently we had some cellists come and perform for the children in Key Stage 2.

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, a recording company are coming in to school to help us to produce a school CD. Each class will take part in a professional recording of a track for the CD. The CDs will be available to pre-order from next week at the office and will cost £7.99 each. There is also a competition to design the front cover of the CD and all entries for this must be returned by today, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June as stated in the letters that have gone home with the children.



Thank you to those parents who attended our Healthy Eating parents workshop, parents got lots of tips on how to make sugar swaps with food to make it healthier and dental advice to help children's teeth and gum health.



Last week was Sports Week at Barlow Hall and each day a number of sporting activities took place, including children's regular PE sessions and the daily mile. Added activities included those below:

**Intersports**



Pupils showed just how important teamwork is in last week's Intersports competition worked well in their teams and everyone just got on with the activities with a great spirit and enjoyed the challenges of the afternoon, The winning team were team resourceful and they received their certificates in assembly this week. Two special certificates were also awarded for Afiah and Snyder for amazing support and encouragement for their team. Well done to them and to all those who took part or helped out with any of the events - Go team Barlow Hall!

**Boot Camp**



Pupils took part in a number of fitness activities including squats with weights, press-ups whilst moving down a course, hurdles and aerobics. Students loved it and the event was a great success.

**Soccer Aid**



Last Friday saw the children taking part in a number of activities to raise money for Soccer Aid. Amongst the activities pupils took part in were beat the goalie and a keepies-uppies competition. There were also a number of football skill games and a ks1 and ks2 obstacle course. We also had games of footgolf where cones were set out in small circles and the children had to see how many shots it took them to hit the cone. £114.69 was raised in donations



## Week Commencing 17th June 2019

- Mon 17 Manchester Readathon**  
 Y5/6 Trip to Blackpool  
 Phonics Screening Catch-up
- Tues 18 Nursery and Reception Transition 1:30 -2:30 pm**  
 Y6 Drama Workshop  
 Comms Centre children to Circus house  
 Y5/6 Cricket Finals Parrs Wood - collect 5:45 pm
- Wed 19 Y3/4 AC Class Assembly**  
 Street dance Breakfast Club 8 –8:45 Reception, Y1,Y2,Y3 only  
 Y5/6 Football Chorlton High School 3:30 -5:45 pm
- Thur 20 Clean Air Day**  
 Phonics Screening Tests  
 Forest School 6AB/2EH
- Fri 21 ¾ AC BMCA Library visit**  
 Year 5 Transition visit to Chorlton High  
 Swimming 3/4AC/ 4AM
- Coming up!**  
**Tues 25 Y6AB BMCA Library visit**  
 Nursery and Reception Transition 1:30 -2:30
- Wed 26 Reception Class Assembly**  
 Y5/6 BMCA Library Visit
- Fri 28 New class letters out**  
 Whole School CD recording  
**Manchester Drop and Read; last day for Readathon sponsor money**



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

**Osama, Sasha, Jad, Niamh, Miah  
 Joshua P, Finlay, Keilan, INA – whole class**

Parents will be notified by School Cal notification if their child is to receive an award in either of the assemblies.

## Attendance overview from 03/09/18 to 24/5/19

Attendance 87.5% Unauthorised Absence 2.7%

### School Matters!



Nur B 92.5%	Nur R 89.2%	RSG 84.8%
1NA 88.6%	1/2SK 88.5%	2EH 85.3%
3MJ 86.3%	¾ AC 92.9%	4AM 89.6%
5AV 86.2%	5/6SP 87.1%	6AB 83.2%

## Thank you from MAD

'A big thank you from everyone at M.A.D. 4 Kids for the generous donations made towards supporting children in Zambia. Just over £166 was raised through the collection of feeding jars which will provide nearly 2000 meals at the school. In addition, nearly 200 pairs of shoes were collected in and will find new owners in Zambia in the coming months. Thanks for your generosity and support.

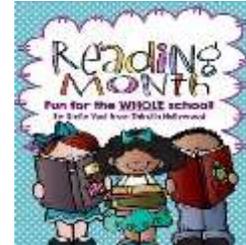
## Additional funding for school



Please could we remind parents of Nursery Class to ensure that they regularly check entitlement 30 hours funding and to give any vouchers or codes confirming eligibility to the office. This also applies to parents of children going in to Nursery in September as we need your codes by 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Please ensure that you have given us your National insurance number and date of birth so we can check your entitlement to Free school meals,

## Reading Month



Don't forget June is Reading month so keep on reading as many books as you can. Our Manchester Readathon, 'sponsored read' to raise money for books for the Manchester Children's Hospital and also the Manchester Children's hospice. Is also open during June and on 28th June, we will be taking part in the Manchester wide 'stop drop and read'. Reading month calendars should be handed in by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July



**Fri 19 July Break-up 2 pm**  
**No After School Club**  
**Please collect your child on time.**