

Congratulations to Ms Corlett who gave birth to a baby girl, Lana, in the half-term holidays. Mum and daughter are doing well. This term we welcome 3 new members of staff, Dawn Redgate who will be working in our Barlow Bears 2 year old provision, Karen Diamond who is covering Ms Kay's maternity leave and Helen Edmundson who will be in Ms Corlett's class for the rest of the academic year. We are also being joined for 1 day a week by two members of Brookburn's admin staff, Lesley and Julie, who will be helping in the office. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend Reception classes fantastic assembly on Thursday, **Jayne Kennedy**



Key Stage 1's new learning challenge is 'Who lives in a house like that?'. They will be learning all about different houses in our local environment and around the world, looking back in time at different household features and also designing some new homes!



Year 2's science is linked with this topic and we will be looking at Animal Habitats and they are very lucky to have Animal Intuition next Friday. They will hopefully get to meet some animals then and learn about their homes!

World Book Day



Along with the rest of the school, KS1 children thoroughly enjoyed World Book Day yesterday. All of the children looked fantastic and enjoyed their day which was linked to 'Winnie the Witch'. They did some cross-curricular Maths, book reviews and sketching! Each year group also took part in a Readathon in the hall where they each read a book of their choice for 10 minutes with the rest of the school.

3MJ Manchester Library Trip



As part of the world book Day Celebrations Ms Johnson's class visited Manchester's Central Library for a World Book Day workshop. While they were there they were taken on a tour of the library and had the opportunity to sit in a cosy reading area and read books that they had chosen. They also had the opportunity to be authors

when they use pre made books to write stories.

Design and Technology

Year 5 and 6 did three days of design work this week. They linked this DT project with their local area. The children were given the task of designing a new play area for Chorlton. They completed questionnaires and interviews with different phases across the school. From their findings, they then researched different equipment online. The children even tackled the snow on Wednesday and went for a walk around the local area to see what it needed. Finally, they sketched their new designs based on all the research they had carried out.

The Team GB Sponsored Event

The total raised 1107.36, thank you to the 55 children who brought in their sponsorship money



Our Reading Bus raffle has been extended into next week. Please buy your tickets, priced at £1 per strip
Toddlers and Teens



Throughout last term, from September to February, Reception and Nursery classes have taken part in a very successful and positive initiative called toddlers and teens. A group of students came from Loreto High School to spend time working and playing with the children in those classes. Here's a link to my blog post. The last session ended on a high with their certificate presentation and the children enjoying a pancake party. The young people made some lovely cards for the staff and children. To find out more please click below <http://eyfs2017.barlowhallblogs.net/2018/02/15/nurseryteens-and-toddlers/>

Wellies wanted for the mud kitchen



If anyone has any wellies that their child has outgrown donations sizes 11/12/13 please could we have them for the EYFS mud kitchen

The Great Big School Clean



The Great British Spring Clean, 2 -4 March, has one simple ambition: getting the whole country together, clearing litter to brighten up our towns, villages, countryside and coastline.

Off the back of Blue Planet 2, we want schools across the city to help make this the **biggest school clean up ever**, and show parents and local communities how it's done. Have a quick litter pick of the school grounds or perhaps organise a clean-up in the local community. No matter how big or small your litter pick – every item of litter collected counts.

See our website for more information

Week commencing 5th March

Mon Y6 Boosters

Y2 SATS Workshop 2 pm

KS1 PPA – PE kit required

Y6 Flag Football

Tues KS2 PPA - PE Kit required

Animals In tuition in Y3+4

Y3/4AC Parent's meeting, 2:30 pm + 4:30 pm

Wed Y6 Boosters

One Goal Aspirations Day Y6

Venture Arts in the Communication Centre

Nursery PCI group – parent session only

Y3/4AC to Southern Cemetery to make birdboxes

Thur 3/4+2EH – Forest School

Time Traveler's Parent Group

Fri – Y6 Boosters

Science Day –EYFS Science Stay and Play 9:05 – 10:05

Animals in Tuition in Y2

3MJ + 4AM Swimming

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.

Zara, Marla, Isabelle, Harinisha, Lillie, Keilan, Abbie, Violet, Cayo, Afiah, Sarah

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 4/9/17 to 16/2/18

Present: 96.2% Unauthorised Absence 1.0%

Nur B 90%	Nur Y 89.4%	
Rec O 93.7%	Rec P 93.0%	
1NA 95.5%	2SK 96.3%	1/2EH 95.7%
3MJ 96.0%	¾ AC 95.9%	4AM 96.6%
5AV 96.6% **	5/6SP 96.8%	6AB. 97.6%

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?

Emergency Exit Use

In order to keep all our children safe, and ensure that no one can leave or enter the building without the door being opened by staff could we please ask all parents and visitors not to press the emergency door release button when exiting the school. Could you please either knock on the door to be let out of the school by office staff or, if no one is in the office, wait for a member of staff to come and let you out.



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

w/c Mon 12 Ballot forms + candidate

statements to parents for Parent governor election

Wed 14 – City Cooks

Thu 15 – Y5/6 SP Class Assembly

Fri 16 – Sports Relief

w/c Mon 19 Easter Experience

Wed 21 Downs Syndrome Day

Wed 21 – Parents Evening

Fri 23 – Sports Relief

Mon 26 Reception Class Screening

Wed 28 Parent Governor voting deadline

Y4 Science Workshop

Thu 29 – Yellow Day/Easter

Eggstravaganza Thur 29 Break-up 2 pm –

No after school club

Term Dates 2017/18



TERM DATES

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

Friday 20th June Break up 2 pm

No After School Club



Late For School

Please ensure your child gets to school on time but if they are late make sure that they are signed in to our fire register