

Barlby Primary School News #3 19.10.23

Welcome to our 2nd edition of Barlby Primary School News

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Welcome to our newsletter: A note from the Headteacher



Mr Anthony Mannix-Power Headteacher

Welcome to the second issue of the Barlby newsletter this academic year. Time is flying and we are now coming to the end of a busy week four. In the last few weeks we have been settling the children into their new classes and preparing for the year ahead. We have been delighted to see so many of you at the curriculum workshops, assemblies, sports day and Stay & Read sessions- we have many more sessions planned! Our next workshop for parents & carers will focus on English and the teaching of phonics. In addition, we will be holding the first of our half termly open mornings and you can find all the key dates below in our newsletter. We have included the teachers e-mails once again and please feel free to get in touch. Have a lovely weekend!

With best wishes,

Anthony Mannix

Dates for your diary:



Monday 2nd October: Year 4 continue with their Cricket workshops in school Tuesday 3rd October: Year 3 Spanish Dance workshop in school Wednesday 4th October: Shakespeare School Festival workshop in school to work with Year 5 Wednesday 4th October: Year 2 visiting The Tower of London Thursday 5th October: Stay and Read Years 1,2 and 3 Friday 6th October: Dalgarno visiting the British Library (Children's book project) Monday 9th October: Year 4 are visiting The British Museum Tuesday 10th October: Online safety Workshop for Parents and Carers (9am) Wednesday 11th October: Early Reading and Phonics workshop for Parents and Carers Thursday 12th October: Year 6 visiting Fulham Palace Thursday 12th October: Stay and Read for Years 4,5 and 6 Friday 13th October: Golborne Class Assembly Wednesday 18th October: Learning Zone 1 (Years 1,2 and 3) Open Morning Wednesday 18th October: Maths Workshop for Parents (repeated) 3:45pm Thursday 19th October: Learning Zone 2 (Years 4,5 and 6) Open Morning

Attendance and Punctuality



We are working hard to improve our whole school attendance at Barlby. Regular attendance at school promotes pupils' well-being, maximises progress in learning and helps pupils reach their potential both now and in their future lives.

You can help us achieve our target by ensuring your children are in school, on time, every day. Pupils attendance and punctuality is monitored carefully by the school and our Education Welfare Officer. Everyday counts but every minute is equally important.

It is very important your child arrives on time for school. The school gates open at 8.20am. Anyone arriving after 8:40am will be considered late and must come through the main entrance. *Did you know? Being 15 minutes late each day over the school year is the same as missing 2 weeks of school.*

If your child's attendance reaches below 90% we will send you a letter to inform you and hope to work with you to help improve their attendance. We have attendance incentives every term for children who achieve attendance of 98% or more. If you have any questions about attendance or feel you need some support, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher or the school office.

Attendance during one school year Number of days absence this equals 95% 9.5 days 90% 19 days 85% 28.5 days 80% 38 days	
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75% 47.5 days	
70% 57 days	
65% 66.5 days	

Please see our attendance percentages for each year group since we returned to school on 5th September.

We will include Nursery and Reception's attendance figures once all children are with us full time.

	Whole School - 93.4%
Year 1	93.2%
Year 2	92.9%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	93.7%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	94.3%

Lost Property



We have a lot of school uniform that has not been named so we are unable to get it back to it's rightful owners.

To avoid this please label your children's clothes, including hats, gloves and school jumpers.

Our lost property is kept in our Community Room - please feel free to take a look if your child has lost an item.

Sports Day 2023



Thank you so much for all of your support at yesterdays very successful Sports Day! The children were incredible and had a fantastic day. We look forward to the next one in summer 2024.

Below are a selection of photos from the day...





































Online Safety Information for Parents



E-Safety and the constantly changing social landscape means it is increasingly difficult to keep on top of changes in apps and behaviours online. Here are some tips and key information about social media that you can use and apply to your children at home

Parental control

Do you have parental control or a firewall that protects children when they search online? This will mean you know the sites and apps that they will and won't be able to access.

Social media

Almost every social media app is designed for children ages 13+ meaning your child should not have access to it yet.

Online Gaming

Does your child play games online? Most games come with an age certificate for example Fortnite is rated 12+. When they are playing, are they speaking online and if so do you know who? Many games now have online features that connect players from all over the world. Check your child's games to see if they have that capability.

All of these measures will help to keep your child safer online.

We have an external professional visiting to deliver an online safety session to Parents and Carers on Tuesday 10th October at 9:00am in our school hall.



Black History Season



We will soon begin celebrating Black History Season at Barlby. This year, our theme is 'Saluting our Sisters' - focusing on inspirational black women that have made significant contributions in various fields. Each class will study a pioneering black woman and will be invited to share their findings in an assembly later this term. Additionally, children will be invited to take part in competitions: a portrait competition for Key Stage One and a poetry competition in Key Stage Two. We appreciate your continued support in celebrating all cultures and peoples.

Secondary Transfer Information



This week we held two meetings for Year 6 parents and carers regarding secondary transfer for our current Year 6 cohort. We welcomed colleagues from a number of our local secondary schools to join the meetings; they gave parents and carers a short talk about their settings and how they can help with the transition from Year 6 to Year 7.

These are the main points that parent and carers need to be aware of:

- The Pan-London e Admissions site opened on Friday 1 September 2023 https://www.rbkc.gov.uk/children-and-education/school-admissions/starting-secondaryschool#primary-to-secondary-transfer
- You must apply for a secondary school place by Tuesday 31 October 2023
- You can apply for up to six schools

• It is important that you list schools in the order of your preference

During the evening of Friday 1 March 2024, you will be sent an email informing you that your outcome is available Please refer Kensington and Chelsea's website for further information:

RBKC secondary transfer admissions leaflet

Mathematics at Barlby



Mr Enright delivered a workshop for Parents and Carers where information based on the curriculum, methods and the calculation policy was shared. Another workshop will be delivered after school one evening - more information and a date to follow.

If you would like more information on how Maths is delivered at Barlby or to see the information that was shared at the workshop please click on the link provided.

Information on Mathematics at Barlby

Early Years at Barlby



The Early Years Foundation Stage have welcomed in their new cohorts for this academic year. We have had a busy time settling in, making new friends, exploring our indoor and outdoor environments and learning.

Our Topic for this half term is 'All About Me." Reception have enjoyed reading stories including Owl Babies and Sharing a Shell and learning and sharing about families and looking after and being kind to others. They engaged in a range of fun activities including making bird nests, painting owls with different media and making bird feeders. Reception have started their daily Phonics learning and are super excited to be learning all their new sounds!

Nursery have had a fun start to the term and have enjoyed reading the book "The Colour Monster." They have been learning about and naming different emotions and even made their own colour monsters to represent those from the book! They have enjoyed lots of singing, circle games and using the parachute!

Early Years love to share their learning with parents on Tapestry, thank you to all those who are signed up and have even started sharing posts from home too.











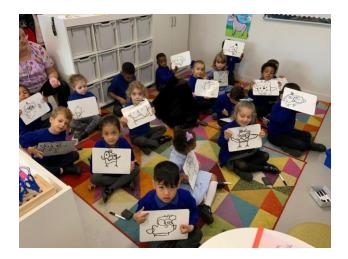












Monty Moments!



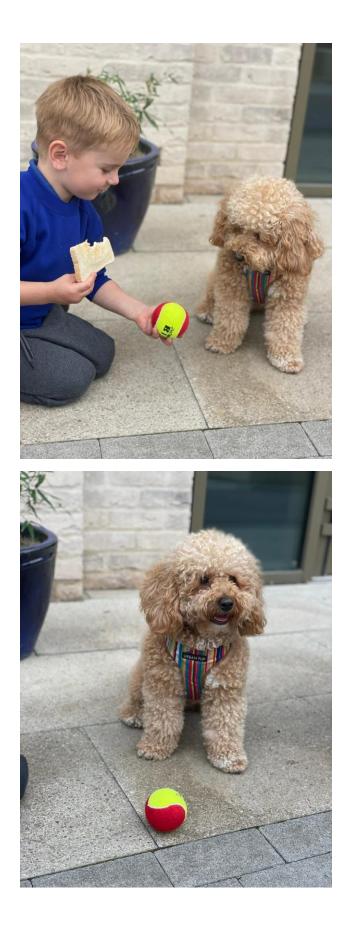
I have had such a busy September! I have been to school every day so my attendance is excellent and I plan to keep it that way- my aim is 100%. I have spent time with Year 1 especially in the mornings and I have also visited The Orchard learners. I have really enjoyed helping children to settle into their new classrooms this term and I hope to work with a different group in the next few weeks. Outside of school I have been so tired that I have spent much of my time sleeping but I still love my walks and playing with sticks!











A snapshot of September...

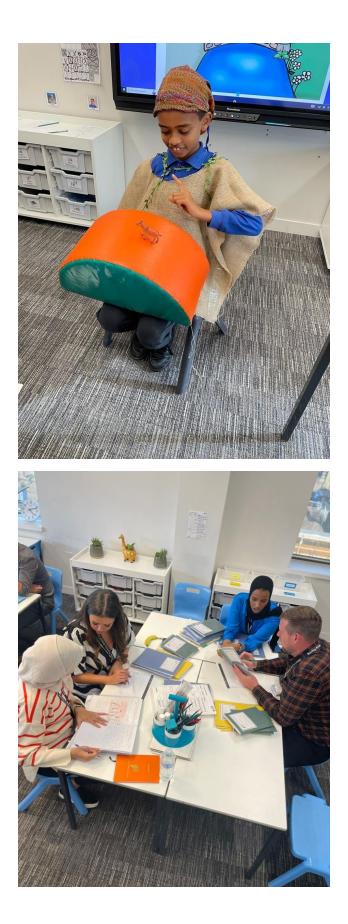






























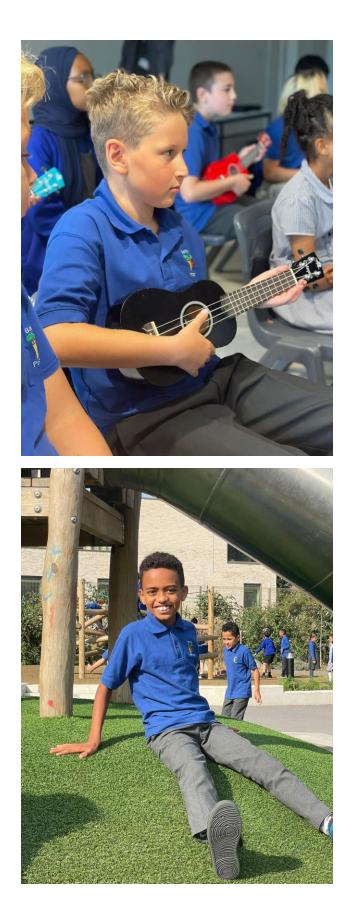














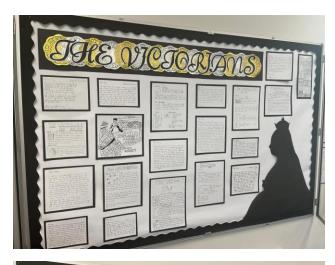










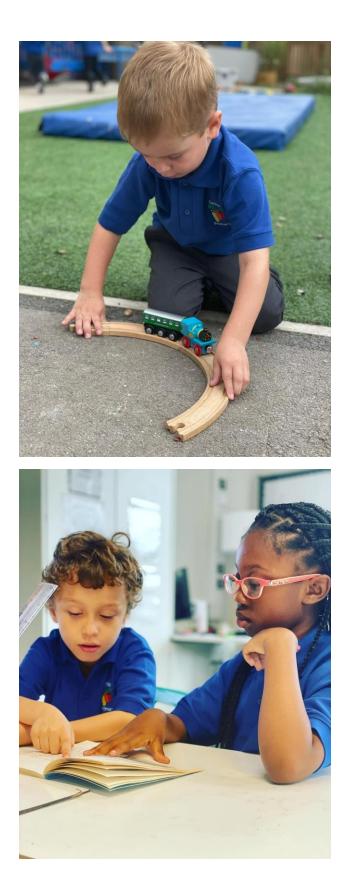










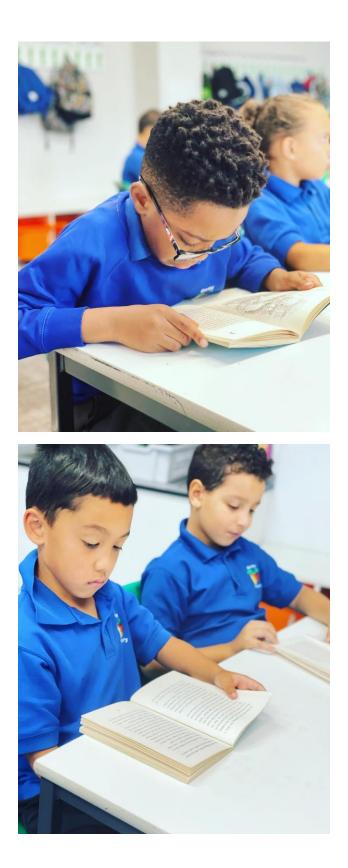














Barlby's code of Conduct

All members of the school community should be treated with respect and, therefore, we must all set a good example in our own speech and behaviour. Know that we work really hard for your child and we are human too!

ADULTS WHEN ON SCHOOL SITE PLEASE REMEMBER:

SHOUTING

BE KIND, RESPECT RESPECT THE COURTEOUS STAFF AND **BUILDING AND** AND AVOID EACH ENVIRONMENT MALICIOUS OTHER GOSSIP USE DO NOT APPROPRIATE **SMOKE OR** LANGUAGE -VAPE ON NO SWEARING. SITE RACISM OR

PHYSICAL AND VERBAL AGGRESSION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED

Contact Us



If you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher in the first instance. They will be available in the playground at the end of everyday. You can also call or email the school office and ask for a call back from your class teacher.

Mr Mannix (Head Teacher), Mr Simon (Deputy Head Teacher) Miss Nicholls(Deputy Headteacher) and Emma Harpin (SENCO) will be on the gates in the morning and after school and we will happily answer any questions or sign post you to the best person to help with your question.

You can also email your class teacher using the following class email addresses:

mark.bird@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Nursery)

caleb.catantan@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Peabody R)

louise.harrison@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Sutton R)

moby.idowu@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Bruce 1)

zhane.atherly@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Golborne 1)

toral.patel@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Burleigh 2)

jordan.jenkins-james@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Balfour 2)

frankie.wood@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Latimer 3)

simone.stephen@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Lancaster 3)

chris.horton@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Treverton 4)

atsu.alleyne-weir@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Dalgarno 4)

nahid.begum@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Ladbroke 5)

Julia.cox@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Westbourne 5)

paul.enright@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Trellick 6) yusra.omar@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Portobello 6) agustin.hernandez@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Orchard 1) lewis.grewcock@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Orchard 2) lorna.waite@barlby.rbkc.sch.uk (Orchard 3)



1 - Nursery: Mr Bird and Mrs Sitch



2 - Reception: Mr Catantan (Peabody) Ms Harrison (Sutton)



3 - Year 1: Mr Idowu (Bruce) Ms Atherly (Golborne)



4 - Year 2: Mr Jenkins-James (Balfour) Ms Jethwa (Burleigh)



5 - Year 3: Ms Stephen (Lancaster) Ms Wood (Latimer)



6 - Year 5: Ms Cox (Westbourne) Ms Begum (Ladbroke)



7 - Year 4: Mr Horton (Treverton) Mr Alleyne-Weir (Dalgarno)



8 - Year 6: Mr Enright (Trellick) Ms Omar (Portobello)