

BARWELL INFANT SCHOOL

Newsletter - 21.9.18



Welcome Back To Brilliant Barwell Infants!

I hope that you had a happy and enjoyable summer break with your families, we have enjoyed hearing about holiday news and seeing how much the children have grown! I extend an extra warm welcome to Mrs Andrews our new Y1 leader and to all of our new families who have joined the Barwell Infant Family ~ both in EYFS and Year 1.

As always here at Brilliant Barwell Infants the motto is 'Children First' and everyone is working to be the 'Best that we can be' - we hope that you get on board with this too!

Team Barwell are looking forward to working with you over the coming year. Don't forget that you can keep up to date by visiting the school website: www.barwellinfantschool.co.uk

Mrs Sarah Carey

BRILLIANT BARWELL BOOKWORMS

Well done to those children and families who took part in our 'Summer Reading Challenge'! Enjoy reading your prizes!

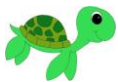


WE LOVE READING ...Signs Labels
Shopping Lists Cards Letters Story
books Information books Instructions
Comics Joke Books Poems and much more!
In fact...

You can read anywhere and everywhere!



**Please encourage your child to read as much as possible. It really makes a difference!
We would love to hear about your favourite books and recommended reads!**



Our Class Names 2018-19

Mrs Whittaker's ~ Tenacious Turtles



Miss Purnell's ~ Resilient Rainbowfish



Mrs Andrews' ~ Persevering Pandas



Mrs Chambers' ~ Curious Koalas



Mrs Robertson's ~ Active Ants

Miss Johnstone's ~ Busy Bees

Our Learning Muscles!

Have you heard your child talking about exercising their learning muscles? Have they told you what this means?

At Barwell Infants we are teaching the children how to learn using eight 'learning muscles', these will help them to become independent learners.

The learning muscles include... 'Curiosity' 'Enjoying Learning' 'Have A Go' 'Imagination' 'Concentration' 'Improving' 'Teamwork' 'Never Give Up'

DO YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION OR SOME FEEDBACK FOR US?

- ✓ Please remember that you are always welcome to speak with staff or make an appointment
 - ✓ You could speak with a Parent Governor or a member of the PGSA
 - ✓ There is a suggestion box in the main office
- (You can just leave a note or suggestion forms are available in the entrance area)
- ✓ You can email the School Office or Chair of Governors ~ details available on our website
 - ✓ You could attend a 'Parent Voice' session

*****HEALTH & SAFETY ~ Polite Reminders*****

- We are striving to be a 'Nut Free' school. Please ensure that **you do not provide your child with nut products in their packed lunch box** ie peanut/nut bars, 'Nutella' chocolate spread, peanut butter etc. We do have children in school with allergies ~ reactions can be **severe** & even **fatal**.
- Please could we ask for your support in reminding the children to 'STOP and GET OFF' their scooter at the school gate and to only start riding their scooter again when they leave the school site ~ **both at the start and end of the school day**.
- Please discourage the children from standing on the gates as this causes issues with the hinges.
- Please do not park or pull in on the yellow zig zags ~ they are there to keep your children safe.
- The wearing of all jewellery is discouraged, it must be removed for PE lessons. In instances where earrings are worn which the children are unable to remove, parents will be requested to come to school to remove the items ~ please see our Health & Safety Policy for more information

School Nurse Drop In Sessions

The School Nurse ~ Katie Lewis ~ will be available for 10 minute drop in appointments at our school on the following dates:

- Tuesday 2nd October 2018 2.30pm-3.30pm
- Tuesday 6th November 2018 2.30pm-3.30pm
- Tuesday 4th December 2018 2.30pm-3.30pm



School Nurse
Telephone:
01455 441883.

Please speak to Mrs Bray in the office, Miss Myler (our Senco) or the School Nurse for details.

Our School Attendance Target for 2018-19 is to be **ABOVE 96%**

Attendance

We have always been proud of our attendance achievements and over the few years, by working together, we have seen it gradually increasing to 96%.

However, for the school year 2017-18 our attendance percentage dropped.

The main reason for this was due to holidays being taken in term time at the start and end of the school year. The Governors and I urge you to consider carefully the impact that taking holidays upon your child's education and the implications for the school. Attendance is something which Ofsted consider carefully and as such, a low percentage could impact upon our outcomes. Let's reach 96%+ together!



"REVISED"

SAVE THE DATE!



- EYFS Phonic Meeting* 26th Sept 9.05-10am
- EYFS Reading meeting* 3rd Oct 2.25pm
- Macmillan Coffee Morning Thurs 27th Sept
EYFS 9.30am Y1 10.15am Y2 11.00am
- Harvest Collections ~ From Mon 1st October
- Yr 1 Together Time* 5th Oct 1.45-3pm
- Yr 2 Together Time*~ 4th Oct 1.45-3pm
- Parent's Evening - 30th Oct & 1st Nov
- School closes on the **evening of Thursday** 11th October for half term and school reopens on Monday 22nd October at 8.45am
- **To Confirm the end of the Autumn Term ~ school closes on the evening of Friday 21st December 2018**

Details for the events above will follow soon!
(*Sadly we cannot accommodate younger siblings)