



**Barnfields Primary School**  
'Believe & Achieve'



# School Newsletter

13 September 2017

## *Our School Vision*

*To be a school where children achieve well and make good progress through a love of learning that is fun and relevant.*

*Children will be curious, ask questions, tackle challenges, solve problems, make informed choices and take risks in a supportive environment.*

*Children will have high self-esteem with strong values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Reflection and Positivity.*

### **SATs Tests**

Please note that children in Key Stage 1 (Years 1, 2) will sit situational curriculum testing on the following dates and must be in school:

**May 2018 and week commencing Monday 11 June 2018**

and

**May 2019 and week commencing Monday 10 June 2019**

Please note that to avoid any undue upset or stress, we do not tell the younger children that they are taking tests.

Children in Year 6 will undertake SATs tests on the following dates and again must be in school:

**Monday 14 May to Thursday 17 May 2018**

and

**Monday 13 May to Thursday 16 May 2019**

### **Tempest Photography**

Tempest Photography will be in school next Friday 22 September to take individual photographs of children.

If you would like your child photographed with a sibling who does not currently attend Barnfields, please come to the main school hall at 8.30am on Friday.

If you have more than one child at Barnfields, we will take a photograph of them together during the school day.

We will only take other group photographs, e.g. of cousins, if you have expressly asked us to do so.

### **Parents and Friends**

Parents and Friends of Barnfields will be holding their next meeting in the main school building school at 7pm on Tuesday 19 September.

Everyone is invited to attend and we look forward to welcoming you to our meeting.

### **Talk Homework**

Over the weekend please have this family discussion - all classes will be discussing this on Monday morning

**Which lesson have you enjoyed most at school this week and why?**



### **Y5 Visit to Black Country Museum**

We understand that some parents have experienced problems making payments for this trip on ParentPay. The matter should now have been resolved but if you do have any further issues, please contact Mrs Duddy in the school office.

Please remember to return your child's permission slip for this visit to us and to make your donation for it as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

### Data Collection Sheets

We are currently sending out Data Collection Forms in batches. When you receive yours, please check the details on it carefully.

If the details are correct, please sign the bottom of the form and return it to us so that we know you have seen it.

Please add or amend any incorrect details and sign and return the form to immediately.

Many thanks.

### Universal Infant Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 currently receive Universal Infant Free School Meals.

If your child is in any of these year groups and you are in receipt of certain benefits, you may be eligible to claim free school meals. We receive extra funding for children who qualify for free school meals and this funding goes directly to supporting your child's learning at school.

For more information and links to an online application, please visit the 'Key Documents' section of our website at

[www.barnfields.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.barnfields.staffs.sch.uk) or <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/educationalawardsbenefits/FreeSchoolMeals/free-school-meals-information-leaflet-PDF-.pdf>. or call in to the school office.

### Medication

All medicines were sent home at the end of last term.

If you have not yet returned your child's inhaler or medication to school, please remember to do so as soon as possible - it is your responsibility to ensure your child has his or her medication in school and that you provide us with details on how to administer it. Please check with the office staff if you are at all unsure.

Please note that we are having a change in policy with regard to inhalers and spacers in school. To ensure that your child's medication can be administered swiftly, your child will need to have two inhalers in school - one to be kept by the teacher in a medical bag in the classroom, and one to be kept centrally in the medical room.

### Reception Parents ParentPay Accounts

We have sent out activation codes for your child's ParentPay account.

Please activate your account now as you will need to be able to access it for future payments for school visits etc.

Many thanks.

### Lost Lunchbox

One of our children has lost a named, square collapsible lunchbox. If your child has brought it home in error, please return it to us.

### Parking

Please can we ask you not to park on the pavements on Lansdowne Way? It is making the journey to school very difficult for pedestrians, especially if they have pushchairs.

### Walk On Wednesdays (WOW)

We would like everyone, where possible, to take the sustainable and healthy option of travelling to school and to join in with our Walk on Wednesdays campaign.

We have a number of cycle racks and scooter pods on both school sites for children to use if they prefer this method of sustainable travel.

We currently have a few spaces available on our Walking Bus. Led and supervised by trained volunteers, children meet on the car park of the Radford Bank Inn every Wednesday and walk up to school together. Please call in to see us if your child would like to join or if you are interested in starting a Walking Bus in your area.

### Scholastic Book Club

If you wish to order books from the Scholastic Book Club leaflet, please place your order online by Friday 22 September (please let us know if your order is a present or surprise for your child and we will contact you when it is delivered).

We receive books for school in commission on all sales and thank you in advance for your support.

Please note that we are not able to accept any credit card payments.

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