



BARNFIELDS' BULLETIN

Spring Term Newsletter - Week 12 (05.04.2019)

Our School Values: Reflection, Respect, Positivity, Responsibility, Resilience.

MESSAGE FROM MR BALL:

Well that will be a week that we never forget at Barnfields!

As I mentioned in my email earlier this week, receiving a phone call at 11:00am on April Fool's Day from Ofsted really set the week off. I was still questioning whether the office were playing a joke on me as I was talking to a lady from Ofsted, but when the lead inspector phoned there was no denying it.

The children were simply brilliant during the inspection. The inspector commented on how neat they looked in their uniforms and how well behaved and respectful they were. She spoke to about 50 children during the day and she also commented on how well they spoke about their learning and the school. I can't talk about the inspection without mentioning the brilliant staff- I'm very lucky to have such a strong team around me and they did their usual rallying round to make sure everything was ready. Again, I would like to pass on my thanks to you, the parents, for your continued support. It was incredible to see how many of you responded in the short space of time and how positive the responses were.

Monday was finished off with an un-planned fire alarm. Again, the children managed to get out of the building quickly and sensibly and I must give a special mention to Year 4 who were not allowed back into their classroom at the end of the day as the Fire Brigade were carrying out their checks on the building.

Despite all this school continues as normal. Year 2 had the Animal Man in on Tuesday morning, the girls football got soaked through at their tournament yesterday, some children took part in the Sport 4 All festival and the learning in the classrooms continues to progress at a great rate of knots. The PTFA held their Silver Trail on Monday and, as usual, this was brilliantly supported. I'll be announcing the winners in assembly today.

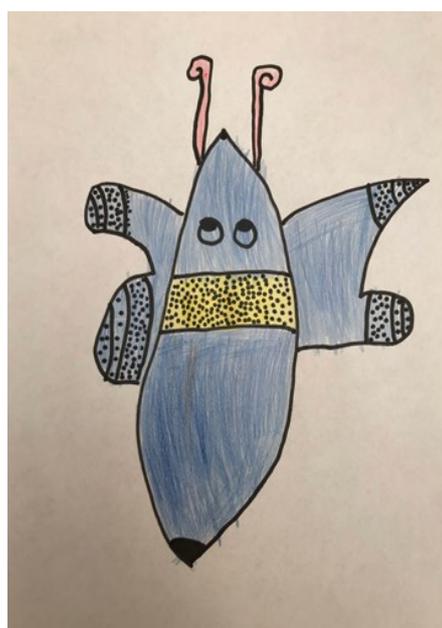
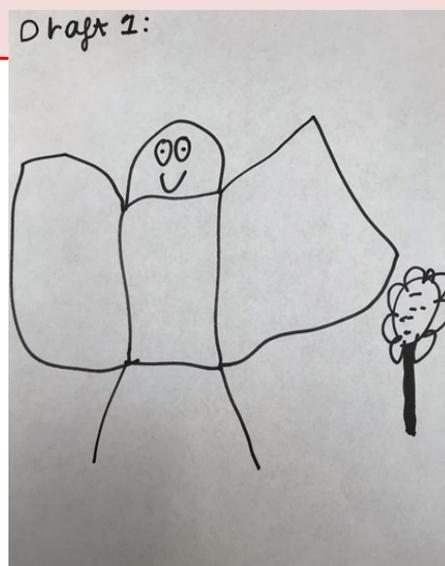
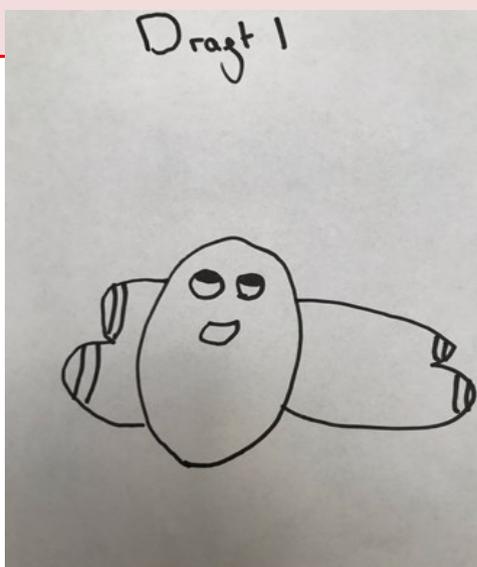
Have a brilliant weekend

Mr Ball

Message from Mrs Darlington.

Over the last half term, our weekly staff meetings have been dedicated to reviewing our current feedback and marking policy. To ensure that we are having the greatest impact possible on pupil outcomes, we delved into research published by the DfE and other educational specialists. We aim to create a policy that is motivating, manageable and meaningful for both the staff and the children.

Last week, we delivered an assembly about the importance of responding to any feedback. To prove this, two children from Yr4 were given one minute to draw a butterfly. Once completed, they received constructive feedback from the whole school and produced a second draft. After this, they then received further feedback to produce a final example. By doing this, the children were able to visually see how effective feedback can be to improving their knowledge, skills and understanding.



Sports Bulletin

It has been a busy couple of weeks of sport here at Barnfields, with three different events that children have taken part in!

It began last Wednesday when Mr Triggs and Mr Murday took three teams to take part in a Handball tournament at St Leonards Primary School. 28 children in total took part, competing against six other schools. All children demonstrated great resilience, positivity and team work to continue giving their all against some very strong teams. Thank you also to the children who stepped in last minute to help fill the teams. Well Done to all who took part!

On Monday this week, six children went to Stafford Manor High School to take part in a Sport 4 All festival competing against five other schools. They took part in four activities—boccia, new age kurling, goalball and volleyball. All the children represented the school superbly and showed high levels of respect towards each other and the other schools. Well Done to Olly, Ethan, Rhys, Dan, Thomas and Alex.



On Thursday this week, Staffordshire FA hosted a year 5 and 6 girls football festival at Stafford Town FC. Teams were invited from across the county to take part, with Barnfields playing against 3 other strong teams. The girls lost 1 and drew 4 of their 5 games, however their resilience was outstanding to battle through the horrible weather conditions and continue playing. Well Done Sophia, Maddie, Katie, Natalie, Tilly, Millie, Chloe and Alannah.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

This weeks winners are:
Well done to all the children.

RH - Oliver and Brooklyn

RM - Francesca (Frankie) and Henry

1DJ - Trey, Dane and Imogen

1T - Molly and Hugo

2M - Lily and Jacob H

2T - George and Thomas
(Tommy)

3KD - Harriet (Hattie) and Matthew (Matty) 3M - Charlie B and Rudra

4A - Jake and Fintan

4E - Katie and Isla

4HJ - Ruby W and William (Will)

5A - Benjamin G and Benjamin J

5S - Kyle and Jamie

6H - Zoe, Lucas and Sophie

6T - Kerr and Alicia

UPDATES AROUND SCHOOL



The PTFA have launched the new school lottery. This is a national competition with the chance to win big. The first draw will take place very soon so let's hope we have a winner from Barnfields.

We still have places available on the PTFA committee if anyone is interested in coming forward to support the fundraising activities.

As I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, lots of children are cycling and scooting to school, which is fantastic. However, this week we had one of the older children ride in to one of the younger children and really hurt their chest.

Could I ask you to remind children to be very careful around the school gate areas and especially around the smaller children, thank you.

**WEEKLY
UPDATE**

PTFA News - 5th April 2019

Silver Trail - Thank you so much to everyone that took part in the Silver Trail this week. The children were all so excited to build their trails and were all sure that their class would win! We're always very grateful to the staff as we appreciate the disruption that bringing classes out can cause, and we'd like to say thank you to all the parent volunteers that helped the event run smoothly. Every child that took part received a little Easter treat from the PTFA as thanks for their participation and support.

The class with the longest trail was 2T. Their trail measured an incredible 40.84m!

Congratulations to these children, they will be rewarded with extra break time one day next week.

All children that donated coins to the trail were entered in to an Easter raffle which was drawn in Friday's assembly. Congratulations to the three winners, we hope you enjoy your Easter Eggs!

YOU RAISED AN AMAZING £900! - THANK YOU.

Your School Lottery - Don't forget that our new lottery starts this weekend. It's fundraising at it's easiest - for as little as £1 a week your numbers are entered in to two draws and have two chances to win: one just for our school and one across all lotteries managed by Your School Lottery with a prize of £25,000! School gets 40% of money from our lottery ticket sales and the more tickets that are sold, the higher the prize fund will be. If we sell 50 tickets we'll be raising over £1,000 for school this year, so if you can join please do - someone from school will win each week! Good luck!

Summer Fayre Planning Meeting - 12th April at 1pm, The Wildwood - do you have any ideas for the 2019 Summer Fayre? New stalls? A different theme? Why not come along to our planning meeting on Friday 12th April at 1pm? Everyone very welcome and all help gratefully received!

Date of Next Committee Meeting - 22nd May 7pm - please come to the next committee meeting. There are a number of events that we'd like to run but simply don't have enough hands on deck. If you could run a cake sale or have other event ideas please come along and support your PTFA.

SAD NEWS



It is with the deepest regret that I have to inform you that Mr Triggs will be leaving us at Easter. We have had 2 amazing terms of his expertise and his care and of him developing some brilliant activities and support for us.

We always knew when we employed him, that we wouldn't be able to keep him for long as his skills would be in very high demand. In fact ,even the Ofsted inspector commented on how good he is!

Mr Triggs has a passion for football and coaches a team of youngsters outside of school in his own time. He has always made it very clear that his ambition would be to work in football and was interviewed by the FA prior to joining us. I'm very pleased for Mr Triggs, not so much for us, that he has been offered a job with the Football Association.

We know that he will go on to have an incredibly successful career and wish him every success in the future.

Attendance:

Whole School –this academic year-97.0%

By Class Week of: 01.04.19—05.04.19

RM 96.7%	RH 96.3%	1DJ 99.0%	1T 98.5%
2M 98.7%	2T 96.4%	3YD 97.3%	3M 96.5%
4A 98.1%	4E 95.6%	5S 99.7%	5A 98.8%
	6T 98.7%	6H 94.7%	

Well done to this week to 5S for the highest attendance figures.

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