



BARNFIELDS' BULLETIN

Autumn Term Newsletter - Issue 4 (18.10.2019)

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

A MESSAGE FROM MR BALL:

Welcome to this edition of the Barnfields' Bulletin.

Giving children the opportunity to learn, develop and excel in areas outside of the Reading, Writing and Maths are vital to the development of the whole child. We are always looking to increase and improve the extra curricular activities that we can offer the children in Barnfields. Over the last two years we have employed a sports coach to increase the quality and amount of sport that we offer and through this and the hard work of Mr Hardwick and other staff, we have been awarded the School Games Silver award which recognises the amount of competition we offer and also the Youth Sport Trust Silver Quality Mark, a very prestigious award recognising the PE and Games we offer.

We have been able to secure extra peripatetic music provision and now have over 50 children learning a variety of musical instruments on top of all the children learning the recorders in Year 2 and 3 and all the children learning the violins in Year 4.

Next week sees our Year 6 children off for their amazing residential Outdoor Education experience. We know that they are going to love all the activities that are there to challenge them and trust that their school values will really show when the going gets tough!

The front area of the school is starting to look very smart again thanks to our volunteer gardeners. If you would like to support them in helping to keep our environment looking lovely for our community, please see the information further on in the newsletter.

This afternoon we invited Theo Clarke, the prospective Conservative Candidate, and Councillor Edgeller, the councillor for Baswich, in to school to talk about our amazing children and the future of schooling in the area.

I hope you have a great weekend. Mr Ball

A MESSAGE FROM MRS DARLINGTON

We have had a very busy two weeks at school! Last Wednesday, we announced the names for our Pupil Librarians. We had 25 children in Yr5 apply for the position, proving how committed and responsive our pupils are. The standard of application forms were exceptional; it was certainly very difficult to select just 12. Well done to all of those children involved!

Last Thursday, we also saw our reception children perform for the very first time on stage for their Harvest Festival. I am sure that everyone who attended would agree that they sang wonderfully and it was enjoyed by all. We look forward to their Christmas Nativity!

This week, the Yr3 children have started to bring into school their Egyptian projects. The model pyramids have been particularly impressive - read the next Barnfields' Bulletin to find out more!

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Last week's winners were:

- 1DJ - Freya Allen and Frankie Burke 1T - Thomas Barton and Dexter Beaumont
2M - Darsha Sivaruban and Esmee Goudman
2HY - Bella Rose Burke and Jackson Spence
3N—Alesha Harrison and Savneet Kang 3E - Jenna Salehi-Bird and Steven Shen
4M - Isolde Probert and Ishaan Sasikumar
4J - Matilda Crutchley and Jake Webster
5A— Isla Cotterill and Armeen Fatima 5S— Alexander Ionette and Sophia Jackson
6T— Victoria Taylor and Toby Kingston 6H - Bella Readman and Luke Watson

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

This week's winners are:

- 1DJ - George Parnell and Isla Weston
1T - Yashas Nair, Louise Beech and Sophia Forrester
2M—Thomas Watson and Daisy Watson
2HY - Molly Smith, Bella Rose Burke and Harry Kirkwood
3N - Dior-Roma Reid and Pippa Tideswell 3E - George Rowley and Saoirse Ryan
4M—Alfie Ball and Anya Sharma 4J - Warren Forde and Jake Hanlon
5A— Jayden Anderson and Shaun Roberts 5S— Isla Evans and Noah Anderson
6T— Joshua Norton and Summa Dhillon 6H - Grace Sergeant and Joshua Hensley

Attendance:

Whole School – 07.10.19—4.10.19

RM - 96.5%	RH -96.8%	1DJ -99.4%	1T - 98.7%
2M - 95%	2HY - 94.4%	3N - 90.3%	3E - 91.3%
4M— 98.9%	4J - 95.3%	5S - 96.6%	5A -98.4%
	6T - 96.1%	6H -97.7%	

A HUGE well done to 1DJ— for the highest attendance in the school this week.

Barnfields' Squirrels

I'm pleased to inform you that a couple of parents, Mayu and Stuart, have responded to my recent request for gardening volunteers. They've aptly named themselves Barnfields' Squirrels!

Over the last week they have met with Mr Shenton and Mr Sandy to visit our grounds and have agreed to start work on the beds in the entrances to the main school and early years. If you would like to volunteer your or a family member's time or if you have unwanted top soil, bark chippings, planters or plants, please contact Mayu 07747 767990.



Fish N Quiz night

Our very own Mr Hardwick and Mr Murday have kindly agreed to be your quiz masters for our new PTFA quiz night on Friday 15 November.

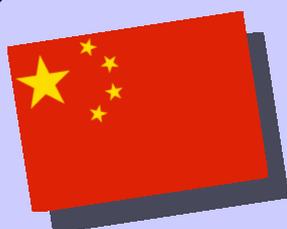
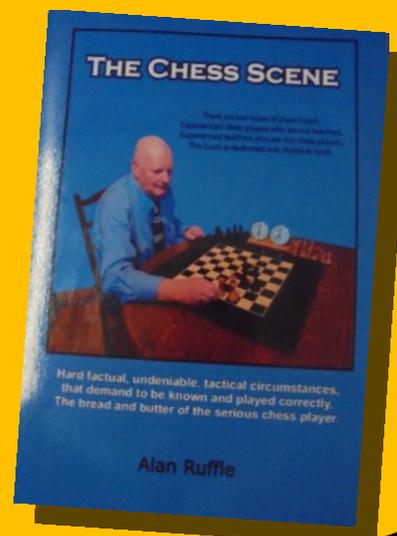
Please tell friends and family too, for a fun night which will also raise funds for school projects to support our children.



THE CHESS SCENE

Some of you may know that Mr Ruffle has very kindly volunteered with our chess club over the course of the last few years. He is an expert with his chess, has played, coached and officiated for many years and has now written and published a book entitled 'The Chess Scene', priced £14.99.

It is available via Amazon, however, Mr Ruffle has kindly stated that any children or parents who would like to buy a copy can do so by leaving their name and contact details at the school office and he will donate £5 from every book sale to the school library fund.



Barnfields' Lunch Specials

Next week, we are holding two themed lunches for the children to enjoy.

Wednesday - Chinese with Noodles

Friday - Fish and Chips Takeaway

These will be the same cost as a normal school dinner.

Don't forget that children in EYFS and KS1 are provided with a hot meal free of charge.



UPDATES AROUND SCHOOL

The lost property box is now kept in the main office area. If you would like to check for any of your child's belongings, please ask Mrs Duddy or Mrs Bakewell.

On the 6th November, children in Reception and Yr6 will be having their height and weight checked. If your child is in one of these year groups, please return the questionnaire (and the opt out form if you wish for your child not to take part) to school as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that flu immunisation programme will be carried out on the 19th November. As the flu virus can change each year, vaccination is required on an annual basis. Last year, 67% of our pupils received protection. If you want your child to receive the flu immunisation, please return reply slips to the school office as soon as possible. If you have lost the form and want your child vaccinated, please ask at



ALDI KIT FOR SCHOOLS

In our last issue, we were excited to announce that we are taking part in Aldi's Kit For Schools campaign. The response has been phenomenal and we have already completed on poster!

Don't worry—we have ordered two more posters so keep collecting those stickers.

Thank you for all of your support.



DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- 21/10/19 - 25/10/19 Yr6 Shugborough Residential
- 22/10/19 and 23/10/19 Yr1-Yr5 Parents' Evening
- 25/10/19 Yr5 visit to Black Country Museum
- 28/10/19 - 1/11/19 - Half Term Week (return to school on 4/11/19)
- 29/11/19, 02/12/19 and 03/12/19 ELFridges PTFA Christmas Shop
- 6/12/19 Christmas Fayre



STAYING IN TOUCH

The school office is open from 8.30am until 4pm daily. Please feel free to pop in and see Mrs Duddy about any enquiries that you may have. You can also follow and communicate with the school in a variety of other ways!

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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 within a creative curriculum that promotes emotional and mental well - being . Children will have high self - esteem with strong values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Reflection and Positivity.