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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe we have only been back at school for 2 weeks. So much has already been achieved. The children are very settled in their new classes and engaging with their new topics. Our Early Years children have completed their first full time week. It is lovely to see so many smiling faces coming through the gate each day. I am sure there will be some tired children this weekend!

Town Twinning News

Last Friday, Mrs Kidd spent a day with our French School Henri Wallon. The French children enjoyed joining in a story in English and creating their own books. Mrs Kidd took drawings from our year 4 children to give to their French friends. It was a great start to our international partnership this year! Mrs Kidd also gave a speech at a special civic event celebrating 30 years of friendship between Woking and Le Plessis Robinson. Mrs Kidd spoke warmly of the partnership between Barnsbury and Henri Wallon school, which has now reached a ten-year milestone – a great cause for celebration! Our Year 4 classes look forward to sending and receiving class letters from France in the coming weeks.



Green Flag

We are very pleased to be able to share that Barnsbury has been successful in achieving the Green Flag Eco schools award.

'Congratulations on your Eco-Schools Green Flag with Distinction. We encourage everyone involved to take great pride from their wonderful achievements – your year of activity has been inspiring.'

A very big well done to Miss Freeland who leads our Outdoor learning and Eco team and Mrs White, our Forest school leader, who have both put in a lot of work and continue to champion our Eco curriculum.

Children and Back to School Social Media - Wayne Denner

This time of year, parents all over the country will be focusing on their children. Whether they're going to school for the first time, or they're seasoned educational veterans, the same feeling will fill parents and guardians. A feeling of concern for the year ahead but also excitement and pride that they're embarking on the same journey, they themselves made years prior. In recent years it has become a tradition to post 'back to school' content, to Facebook and Instagram. However, this practice comes with unseen dangers. Over on his blog Wayne Denner has written about this issue extensively, in a short but worthwhile read he exposes some of the potential issues, lurking in the e-space. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/protect-your-child-the-hidden-dangers-of-posting-back-to-school-photos-on-social-media/>

Petition for Traffic calming on Wych Hill Rise and Blackbridge Road

Dear Parents,

Many of us and / or our children walk to and from school via Wych Hill Rise. The residents in this area have been concerned for many years, and the recent roadworks in the area and subsequent increased traffic on Wych Hill Rise and Blackbridge Road have once more highlighted how dangerous this section of road is for pedestrians and the need for a review, and for the implementation of traffic calming measures.

Please sign the petition using the following link to highlight the issue and ask our local council, county council and MP to work together to improve the road safety for the community.

<https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/traffic-calming-WHR-Blackbridge>

Even if you are not a regular pedestrian on these roads, please sign the petition as improved safety for our local community can only be a good thing for all of us.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

With kind regards

Miss Louise Powell
Deputy Headteacher

Dates for your diary 2024-25

Autumn Term

September

Monday 9th	9.00am Year 2 Parent Information Meeting
Tuesday 10th	2.30pm Year 5 Parent Information Meeting
Wednesday 11th	8.00am Governors Meeting
Friday 13th	9.00am Year 6 Parent Information Meeting
Monday 16th	9.00am Year 3 Parent Information Meeting
Tuesday 17th	2.30pm Reception Parent Information meeting
Thursday 19th	2.30pm Year 1 Parent Information Meeting

October

Tuesday 1st	9.00am Prospective Parent Tour
Thursday 3rd	2.00pm Prospective Parent Tour
Friday 4th	9.00am 4D Class Assembly
Tuesday 8th	2.00pm Prospective Parent Tour
Thursday 10th	9.00am Prospective Parent Tour
Friday 11th	9.00am Year 3 Harvest Assembly
Friday 25th	9.00am 5M Class Assembly
Monday 28th to 1st	Half Term

November

Friday 1st	Half Term
Monday 4th	INSET Day
Tuesday 5th	INSET Day
Wednesday 6th	Children return after half term
Monday 18th	9.00am Prospective Parent Tour
Wednesday 20th	2.00pm Prospective Parent Tour
Friday 29th	9.00am 6L Class Assembly

December

Friday 6th	9.00am 3M Class Assembly
Friday 20th	1.15pm End of Term

Dates for Class Assemblies 2024-25

All class assemblies will be on a Friday morning and will be held in the main school hall at 9.00am

Autumn Term

4th October	4D
25th October	5M
29th November	6L
6th December	3M

Spring Term

7th February	6G
14th February	4J
14th March	5T
21st March	1M
28th March	1B

Summer Term

2nd May	3B
16th May	2M
23rd May	2T
27th June	Oak
4th July	Ash



**Star of the
Week**

**Effort
Award**

**Values
Award**

Oak

Matteo

Billy

Sadie

Ash

Isla

Reggie

Anna

1B

Ruobing

Elliot

Hugo

1M

Pipalina

Abdullah

Imaan

2M

2M

Isla

Isaac

2T

2T

Joiah

Jo

3B

Zachary

Caitlin

Finlay

3M

Shelby-Lee

Priyam

Catrin

4D

Finlay

Natalia

Keshawn

4J

Lucy

Yusef

Steve

5M

Isobel

Ben

Ruohan

5T

Vinnie

Pippa

Kaylah

6G

Ashley

Balazs

Maira

6L

Michael

Oliver

Annukka

Congratulations to the Eco this week:

Rebecca (2M), Saharsh (2T)



Congratulations to the recipients of a

WOW certificate this week: Joao (5T), Kaylah (5T), George A (5T)



Reception



Reception have settled into Barnsbury so well after their first full week. The children have already shown independence and resilience as they follow new rules and routines. Oak and Ash class have been getting to know members of their class and having lots of fun in the classrooms and outdoor area. We have enjoyed daily dough disco to strengthen our fingers, and Jump Start Jonny to develop our coordination. We have practiced doing fantastic walking on our way to lunch. We hope everyone has a relaxing weekend after such a busy week.



The first week of Year 2 was full of excitement and fun! Year 2 children came back with tons of energy, ready to dive into new adventures. There was plenty of laughter as we tackled fresh topics, played games, and got creative with our lessons. From making new friends to sharing stories from the break, the classroom was buzzing with enthusiasm. It's been a fantastic start, and we can already tell this year is going to be an amazing journey!

Welcome to Year 2



Our first topic this term is SENSATIONAL SAFARI, which has been extra exciting. We have already learnt about Kenya and gone on a Barnsbury Safari on the KS1 playground. We saw giraffe, lion, elephants and so much more. We are super excited about this topic and we cannot wait to learn even more!

Year 4

What an incredible start to the brand new academic year. Our year 4 children have settled in really quickly, and are having loads of fun learning. Our English is based on The Stone Age, and incorporates reading material based on this. In the photo below you can see Miss James completing a paired reading exercise with Elsie. The book they are reading, *Stig of the Dump*, forms the foundation for our Destination Reader programme.

Place Value is the aspect of the curriculum which is being dealt with and developed in our Maths lessons, and the photos below show how the children work actively during all lessons. Cognition and the development thereof, encompasses very much the concrete operational stage at this level, and so many of the learning experiences are practical manipulation of resources. Games are also a great way to reinforce all learning which takes place, and below you can see the children 'actively' involved in learning, as well as trying their numeracy skills in playing Times Table Snap. A fond favourite.



Year 6



Year 6 have had a fantastic start. As a fun team building activity we held a competition in small teams. The challenge was to upcycle a black bin bag and make a new outfit. With our new 'fashionable' outfits we held a catwalk and viewed all the creations. Watch out Stella McCartney.

We have also started our geography topic on 'Adventurers and Explorers'. We began by looking at famous explorers through history and held a knockout tournament to decide which explorer had achieved the most.

In science we learnt about camouflage as part of our 'Living Things' topic. Our WOW activity was to camouflage a butterfly, hide it in our classroom and then play hide and seek with the other class. Could we find all the butterflies hidden in each room?

In English we have started reading 'Shackleton's Journey'. As a class we looked at the advert placed by Shackleton, looking for willing crew members to join his expedition. The job would be poorly paid with hazardous conditions and safe return doubtful! Obviously, we decided this was the job for us and we wrote a letter applying to be part of the crew. The week has ended with us writing our own Weddell Sea poems.

SURREY HALF

BARNSBURY RUNNERS OUT IN FORCE

A big well done to all our Barnsbury children (and any parents!) who took part in the Surrey Half event last Sunday! A number of Barnsbury children from a range of year groups challenged themselves to complete the kids 2km course, and should be very proud of their efforts and determination. All of the children were exceptionally happy with their achievements - which was a delight to behold.

In addition, there was a strong contingent of past Barnsbury runners, showing their continued commitment to athletics. We are super proud of everyone who participated in this run.

For those children and adults who wish to get training - the next Surrey Half event (kids 2km, 5km and half marathon distances available) is set to take place on Sunday 16th March - something to aim for!



Fun Phonics Activities

Hello, I'm Miss Paice and I will be posting some fun ideas of phonics activities you could do at home with your children to help support their learning.

This is a super easy one! 😊 I used chalk to write out set 2 sounds on the floor and then I called out the sounds, in no particular order, for the child find and run to. This can be adapted to whichever level of phonics your child is at.

Enjoy!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Let's start the new academic year off right with a very important value, respect. Respect is one of our values that underpins everything we do in school and in the community. We will be considering ways in which we can respect ourselves, others and our environment. We hope that you and your family will join with us as we promote this value in school.



REFLECTION POINTS

- Respect is knowing I am lovable and capable.
- Respect is listening to others.
- Respect is knowing others are valuable too.
- Respect for the self is the seed that gives growth to confidence.
- Those who show respect will receive respect.
- When we have respect for ourselves, it is easy to have respect for others.

VALUE ACTIVITIES TO TRY AT HOME WITH YOUR FAMILY

- Every day this week give a sincere compliment to someone. Create a weekly planner that will help you track your behaviour. Each day you must write who you gave the compliment to and describe their reaction.
- Make a list of things people do who are respectful. Here are a few: hold the door open for someone who needs help, listen without interrupting, don't talk back or moan.
- List five ways we could show greater respect for our environment. Talk about this with your family. Design or make a poster.
- Look up the word "respect" in a dictionary. Find at least 10 different words that mean almost the same thing as "respectful." These words are called synonyms. Write each synonym on a paper strip. Link your paper strips together to make a chain and staple the ends of each link.
- Cut out a newspaper or magazine article about a person who showed respect. What did they do to demonstrate respect?
- Find at least five pictures of people showing respect to others. Make a collage.

Ready. Respectful. Safe

Treat people the way you want to be treated. Talk to people the way you want to be talked to. RESPECT is EARNED, NOT GIVEN.



THANK YOU

I'M SORRY

PLEASE

EXCUSE ME

Respect all things
BIG & small



Accept and Respect
We are all different.



FBStatusUpdates.com

Please share your experiences during Circle times or as part of your class reflection with your class.

Where can you show respect at school?

Where can you show respect at home or in your Community?

How can you help to show respect?

KEEP
CALM
AND
RESPECT
OTHERS

If you would like any further information about our Values programme please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Mrs S. Mollett (PSHE Leader)

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Pickleball

**Woking
Sportsbox**

**Monday: 8-9pm
NEW!: Friday: 6-8pm**

**Eastwood
Leisure Centre**

**Tuesday: 7:30 - 9pm
NEW! Tuesday: 9pm - 10pm**

**Woking
Leisure Centre**

Saturday: 9 - 10am

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TO GET YOUR PICKLEBALL FIX IN WOKING!**



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8-11 YEAR OLDS
NON COMPETITIVE
YOUR OWN BIKE IS REQUIRED

COMING UP

28th September
26th October
23rd November
14th December

14:00 - 15:00

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RUN**



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Trampolining Courses

Led by a British Gymnastics qualified coach, our termly courses based at Woking Leisure Centre take boys and girls from beginners skills to advanced levels. Courses begin at the start of each term, bookings open at the end of the previous term. 60 minutes (except Mini Trampolining).

- ✓ Mini Trampolines 4-6 years - Wednesdays 4.00pm
- ✓ Beginners Trampolines 6-12 years - Wednesdays 4.30pm
- ✓ Improvers Trampolines 6-12 years - Wednesdays 5.30pm
- ✓ Advanced Trampolines 11-17 years - Wednesdays 6.30pm
- ✓ All Abilities Trampolines 6-12 years - Fridays 5.00pm
- ✓ All Abilities Trampolines 11-17 years - Fridays 6.00pm

Email hcwoking@freedom-leisure.co.uk for information.





Children's Activities



Swimming Lessons



Parties and Hire



Playstore Soft Play



Inflatazone Giant Inflatable



Go Bananas Under Fives



Leisure Lagoon



Holiday Daycamps



Trampolining Courses & Sessions



The Wobstacle

Woking
Leisure Centre
Pool in the Park
Kingfield Road
GU22 9BA
01483 771122
bit.ly/WokingTickets



Online bookings for
Leisure Lagoon, Inflatazone
and Playstore

Eastwood
Leisure Centre
Albert Drive
GU21 5RF
01932 960994

Woking
Sportsbox
Egley Road
GU22 OAF
01483 730965



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Sports Course

JUNIOR BASKETBALL

Develop the fundamental skills of Basketball with this fun and social course.

Course runs up until 16th of December 2024 and the new term starts after Christmas

Woking Leisure Centre
Monday's: 17:00 - 18:00

@ - hcwoking@freedom-leisure.co.uk



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FREEDOM LEISURE SPORTS COURSES & SESSIONS

Woking Leisure Centre
Woking Sportsbox
Eastwood Leisure Centre

MONDAY

Walking Netball 12:30 - 1:30pm

Walking Basketball: 7 - 8pm

50+ Club: 2 - 5pm

Junior Basketball: 5pm - 6:30pm



Pickleball: 8 - 9pm (Sportsbox)

No Strings Badminton 7pm - 8pm (Sportsbox)

Walking Football 6:30pm - 7:30pm (Sportsbox)

WEDNESDAY

No Strings Badminton: 12:30 - 1:30pm

Back to Netball: 6-7pm

Squash Club: 7:15 - 9:15pm

Children's Trampolining: Various Times

SEN Swim Session: 5-6pm (Eastwood)

FRIDAY

Couch to 5k: 9:30 - 10:30 (Sportsbox)

5k Plus Running Club: 10:30 - 11:30am (Sportsbox)

Health Walks on the Track: 1 - 2pm (Sportsbox)

Pickleball: 6 - 8pm (Sportsbox)

Walking Cricket: 10:00 - 11:30am

Walking Football 10:00 - 11:30am

Children's Trampolining: 4-7pm

Adult Trampolining: 7-9pm

FNP: 6 - 8pm (11-18 Year olds)



SCAN ME TO BOOK NOW!

TUESDAY

Walking Football: 10 - 11:30am

50+ Club 2 - 5pm

No Strings Badminton: 12:30 - 1:30pm

SwimFit Adults: 12:30 - 1pm

Women's Rec Football: 7 - 8pm

Badminton Club: 8-10pm

Pickleball: 7:30 - 8:30pm (Eastwood)

Women's Walking Football: 6:30pm - 7:30pm (Sportsbox)



THURSDAY

50+ Club: 10am -12pm

Sport in Mind Badminton: 2-3pm

SwimBuddies: 2-3pm

SwimFit Adults: 12:30-1:30pm

Ladies Walking Basketball: 7-7pm

SwimFit Junior: 7- 8pm



SATURDAY

Pickleball: 9-10am

Walking Football (Men & Women): 10:30 - 11:30am

Swim, Bike, Run: 2-3pm (Sportsbox)

(Last Saturday of each month @ Sportsbox for 8-11 Year Olds)

SUNDAY

50+ Club: 9am - 12pm (Eastwood)

For all enquiries please email:

hcwoking@freedom-leisure.co.uk

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