

Barley Lane Newsletter

20th October 2023 - Issue 4

Believe in yourself, Learn together, Persevere and Succeed



Next week is Half Term. School will reopen for pupils on Monday 30th October.

Message From The Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you will be pleased to know that Mr Henry is on the road to recovery, although it is taking a little longer than he had originally hoped. It should go without saying that I have stressed that he must not come back to school until he is fully fit and able to take up the reins again. For now, we are unable to put any timescale on his return.

Thank you for your continued support for Ms Ballantyne, other members of the senior Leadership Team and, indeed, all members of staff. I know they are all working hard to make sure the school continues to run normally.

I wish you a very relaxing half-term holiday.

David Backhouse MBE

Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers

We have come to the end of the first half term which has seen many exciting things happening across the curriculum, including trips in the local area.

Thank you for attending yesterday's parent consultation meetings and I hope you enjoyed sharing your child's work when they brought their books home last weekend.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this half term and wish everyone a relaxing break.

Mrs Ballantyne

Acting Headteacher

Netball Tournament

Mrs Landa took seven children to a Netball Tournament at The Redbridge Sports Centre last week. Barley Lane were competing against many schools

in Redbridge. The children played to the best of their ability which was amazing! Everyone really enjoyed the day - a big well done to Fiza, Hannah, Carlos, Sadad, Benjamin, Sumaiya and Anaya.



Gurdwara Trip - Year 6

This week year 6 children visited the Gurdwara in Seven Kings.

'We went to a Gurdwara to learn more about the Sikh faith, as the large building is the home of the religion. The people were extremely kind, and



told us lots of amazing facts about the religion. I really enjoyed it! 'Abdul 6N

'When our class was ready to go upstairs, we took



our shoes off to show respect. We wore a head covering, which was a piece of cloth tied at the back. We learnt about Guru Nanak's birth

place. It was a fantastic trip!' Mahdi 6N

DigiSafe Keeping children safe

Internet Safety

Your child may spend may more time over the holidays online or gaming. To help keep your child safe online the ParentSafe website has some good ideas.



You should have received your child's photograph this week. Follow the instructions on the photo card to order your prints. The deadline to order is Thursday 16th November.

Dates For Your Diary

October

Half Term - 23rd - 27th October

November

Wed 1st - Dr Bike for pupils

Thu 2nd - Reception Phonics Meeting Zoom 4pm

Tue 7th - Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip (class TBC)

Wed 8th - Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip (class TBC)

Thu 9th - Anti bullying Workshops

Fri 10th -Natural History Museum Trip Year 4

Mon 13th - Anti Bullying Week Odd Socks Day

Tues 14th - Globe Theatre Trip Year 5

Wed 15th - Fluoride treatment for Reception

Mon 20th - Bikeability Level 1 & 2

Mon 20th - Road Safety Week

Thur 23rd - Flu Vaccination Follow Up

Tue 28th - Cycle Training Level 1

Thu 30th - Learn to Ride - Year 2,3,4

December

Wed 6th - Nativity 1B & 1A 9.30am

Thu 7th - Nativity 1G & 1W 9.30am

Mon 11th - Learn to Ride

Tue 12th - Nativity Red Class 9.30am

Tue 12th - Nativity Blue Class 2pm

Wed 13th - Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

Wed 13th - Bikeability Level 1

Thu 14th - Nativity Green Class 9.30am

Thu 14th - Nativity Yellow Class 2pm

Tue 19th - Fluoride treatment for Year 1

Wed 20th - Last Day of Term

January

Thu 4th - INSET Day School Closed

Fri 5th - Start of Spring Term

Stone Age Cooking!

Year 3 had a lovely feast outside using their food technology skills. They made porridge using fresh berries to recreate a classic Stone Age dish.

Lost Property

We have had quite a lot of lost property this half term. Please remember to label your child's items clearly with their name and class.



Dr Bike



Wednesday 1st November

Dr Bike offers a quick FREE safety check of your child's bike by Cycle Confident mechanics, who can carry out small repairs and adjustments where needed.

Please leave bikes in the quad, Dr Bike will fix as many as he can!

Please label your child's bike with their name and class.



Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have recently received a Headteachers Award:

Alison 3A, Amelia 1B, Ashvik 3R, Alayla 6J

Noah 2T, Harsirat 2T



If you need help or support with the cost of living please find further information here



sex Fire Museum Halloween Open Days Tuesday 24th October 2023 Sunday 29th October 2023 (10.30am to 4.00pm)





Visits must be pre-booked via museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station, Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS

Prospective Parents Meeting

There will be a Prospective Parents Meeting for parents who are looking for their children to join Reception next September. The date of the meeting is 14th November 9.15-10am and 5-5.45pm. No need to book, please enter through the school office.

Attendance & New Pupils

Welcome to the following children who have recently joined our school;

Shan, Malika, Abyan

Welcome

Best Attendance for week beginning 9th October

3A - 100%, 4B & 4BM - 100%, 5HS - 100%

Year 6 – Applications to start secondary school Year 7 for September 2024.

This application applies to children with birthdays from 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013. This application can only be made online. Please ensure you apply for your child's school place by Tuesday 31 October 2023. You must apply through the readmissions portal which opened at midnight on 1 September 2023. https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/secondary-school-admissions/

Nursery Spaces

If your child was born between 31st August 2020-31st August 2021 and you are interested in a place in our Nursery, please call Mr Phillips at the school office

School Development Plan

This half term we have been working on our **School Develop**ment Plan. For information on our priorities please click on the link. There will be an opportunity to find out more about this at a Parent Forum next half term, date tbc.

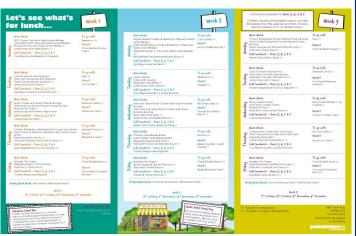
ADHD Awareness Month

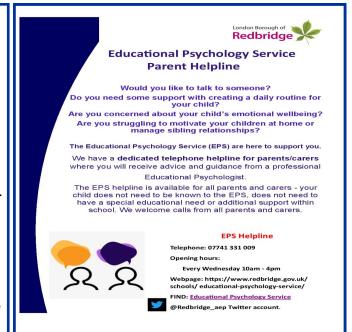
October is ADHD Awareness month. Find information on podcasts and webinars here.



Menu October - December

There will be no menu change after the half term holiday, this will now change in the new year. We will start on week 1 after the holidays.





Learning With The Lords - Year 4

Year 4 had a workshop this week with the House of Lords.

We met Lord Browne and he answered our ques-



tions. there are over 700 Lords and Baronesses. We were so excited to learn that Lord Browne had met David Attenborough and was interested in sustainability and looking after the environment.' Hassan, Umar & Owais 4F

Birthday Sweets

A reminder that we are only able to accept Cadbury's Heroes for children's birthdays due to allergies.

Children's Centre Timetables



Scan the QR code to see the latest Children's centre timetable. Our nearest centre is located on Thackeray Drive.

