BARLEY CLOSE TERMLY NEWSLETTER
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It was lovely to see people at parents evening. Huge apologies regarding the booking system. The school website had to be upgraded, and we were told the booking system should work. Thank you for bearing with us and booking direct with the office.

Mrs Jo Williams



PARENT SURVEY

The survey closes at 4pm today. We will be collating results and sharing them with you in the next newsletter.



PTA

The PTA have some amazing events planned. There will be a tuck shop on the playground on 27th Nov and 11th Dec. We are also asking for donations for Elf on the shelf. Each class are asked to donate different things for a 'Xmas shop'. On the 4th Dec the children will all have a chance to come to the 'shop' and purchase a gift for their loved ones. This will be wrapped for them to take home. We are asking for donations as followed. Please bring to classrooms by 2nd Dec.

Bear class- Chocolates
Lion- Smellies
Crocodiles- Candles or biscuits
Chameleon and Iguana- Smellies and soft toys
Elephant- Candles or biscuits
Giraffe- Chocolate or soft toys.



LEAVING IN THE SCHOOL DAY

We have had an increase of children of leaving in the school day. Please can we ask that you collect at 12 or 1 if you need to collect around this time as the children are at lunch during 12-1 and it is difficult to locate children and collect their things at this time.



As part of anti-bullying week we had a workshop led by Unique Voice. Unique Voice are thrilled to be able to offer a Parent/Carer session as part of this visit. Unique Voice provides a specialised session for all parents and carers to share key up-to-date information and guidance surrounding bullying and young people. This session will look in-depth at the complex roles and emotions present in a bullying situation and empower parents and carers to take an active role in supporting their young person through challenging relationships.

You can watch this session

- Online in your own time via a pre-recorded parent/carer session which is available via this link.



RECEPTION 2027 CHILDREN

Applications are due to be submitted to the Local Authority in January 2027. Open days are Tuesday 24 November at 9.30 am and Thursday 26 November at 2.00 pm. We can also accommodate other times so if these dates are not convenient, please let us know and we can arrange a mutually convenient time.



BREAKFAST AND OSC

OSC (Out of School Club) must be pre-booked. If you require a space, please email the office at enquiries@barleyclose.org.uk. Due to lack of numbers, OSC is now only open Monday to Thursday. Breakfast club is £2 a day per child and does include breakfast.

Please pay in advance on Parentpay and state which days you are paying for in the comments box.



SCHOOL NEWS

In September we took part in a reading Guiness world record attempt for the most people reading online in 12 hours. 153862 readers took part from over 92 countries.

The DFE have been in to review our attendance. They are pleased with our progress, and we have a target of 94.2% for this school year. We all need to work together to ensure we SMASH this!

We took part in a National poetry day and each class wrote a poem about school which they performed to the whole school. They were brilliant!

The flu vaccines have taken place, if your child missed this, we will be sending out info on where they can go.



MEDICAL

Please remember to provide consent on Parent pay for your child to receive Inhalers or Adrenaline Auto-Injectors in case of a Medical Emergency.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

24/11/26	**9:30 Rec 2027 open day**
26/11/26	**2:00 Rec 2027 open day**
30/11/26	**INSET day**
9/12/26	**2pm Bear and Lion class Xmas play**
16/12/26	**Yr 6 Life skills visit**
18/12/26	**2:25 pupil of the term End of term**
4/1/27	**Back to school**
22/1/27	**INSET day**
12/2/27	**2:45 pupil of the term End of term**
22/2/27	**Back to school**
1/3/27	**Class and Yr 6 leavers photos**
16/3/27	**Parents evening**
18/3/27	**Parents evening**
25/3/27	**2:45 pupil of the term End of term**
12/4/27	**Back to school**
3/5/27	**MAY DAY- School closed**

10-14/5/27	**Yr 6 SATS week**
24-28/5/27	**Yr 6 camp week** **2:45 pupil of the term** **End of term**
7/6/27	**Back to school** **Yr 4 times table tests**
14/6/27	**Yr 1 phonics tests and yr 2 retake**
25/6/27	**INSET day**
16/7/27	**2:45 pupil of the term**
21/7/27	**9:30 yr 6 leavers assembly** **End of term**
Term dates 27-28	**1/9/27- 22/10/27** **1/11/27- 17/12/27** **4/1/28- 11/2/28** **21/2/28- 31/3/28** **18/4/28- 26/5/28** **5/6/28- 21/7/28**