



BARLEY CLOSE TERMLY NEWSLETTER

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It was lovely to see so many of you at parents evening this week, the children love showing you their work and you should all be very proud of their achievements.

Mrs J Williams

is very distressing for children to have to walk into their classroom once lessons have started. Please **BE ON TIME**. The school day finishes at 3.15 pm.



FUNDRAISING

Start saving your 1p, 2p and 5p coins. Penny Wars has started and each class has a jar in their classroom for the whole of March. The class that collects the most money will win and can spend the money how they wish for their class. All the other money jars will be combined; money will be spent on lunchtime play equipment.

Term 5- Break the rules day- pay to break the school rules!

Term 6- 8th July 3:15-6pm Summer inflatables event



ATTENDANCE

As you know we are working hard to improve our attendance in school as we have one of the lowest % across England. Term 3 did show an improvement but we still have a long way to go. We now have a school mascot Sir Attendo, a cuddly dog, that goes to each class with the best attendance each week. We also have a raffle for the children who have been in 100% for that week. We now have more children being on time and families telling us when their children are off. By working together we can make sure our children can attend school every day.



SCHOOL NEWS

Yr 5 had a morning at Mangotsfield school using their art classrooms to make a clay pot. We love taking our children to experience a secondary school environment as it supports their transition when they leave yr 6.

The school choir went to sing at a local care home. The children also read to some of the residents, who really enjoyed seeing the children.

We have been fortunate to have the 'Borrow the moon' resources at our school. The children have enjoyed seeing the meteorite samples and NASA Moon rock discs. The moon rocks are presented in a permanently sealed Perspex disc which contains labelled lunar soil and rock samples of different types.



STAFFING CHANGES

After 22 years Mrs Daniel is leaving Barley Close at the end of this term. She has taught over 600 children in her time here and led us through many curriculum changes. She will be greatly missed but is leaving teaching for an exciting new adventure. If you wish to donate to her leaving gift, please drop any donations to the school office.



START AND END TIMES

A reminder that school starts at 8.45 am. Children who arrive after 8.55am are classed as late. The gates shut at 9.00 am and it



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.

We kindly ask that Parents wishing to pay by Childcare Vouchers/Invoices, please email the school office at the beginning of term to book the relevant dates & then we can raise an Invoice for that term. As we are becoming busier lately, we have noticed an increase in children not being booked in, in advance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25/03	Y5 Techniquet trip
2/4	Pupil of the term End of term
20/4	Back to school
11-14/5	YR 6 SATS week
18-22/5	YR 6 camp 2:45 Pupil of the term End of term
20/05	Y4 Ashton Gate trip
1/6	Back to school
26/6	INSET
29/6 – 3/7	Sports week
8/7	Summer Inflatable event
10/7	Reports going home
17/7	Pupil of the term
21/7	9:30 Year 6 leavers assembly End of term

Future term dates 26-27

1/9/26-23/10/26
2/11/26-18/12/26
4/1/27-12/2/27
22/2/27-25/3/27
12/4/27-28/5/27
7/6/27-21/7/27

INSET DAYS 26-27

26/6/26
1/9/26
23/10/26
30/11/26
22/1/27
25/6/27