



Barcombe CE Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another exciting term of learning at Barcombe. This term's learning journeys are Dinosaurs for Hedgehogs and Squirrels and Attack! for Badgers, Foxes and Owls. Lots of work has already started on the topics and the excitement is building.

Values for Life

Our new value is Perseverance. The weekly assemblies will focus on this value and it will be discussed in class too. Resilience is one our Growth Mindset key words and we will be drawing the link between resilience and perseverance.

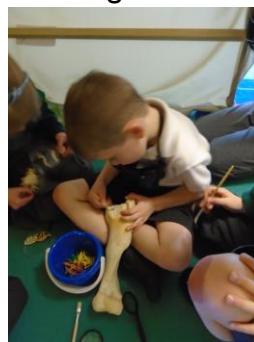
Before School Sports Activities

The children are really enjoying the morning sports activities. It is lovely to see so many children arriving with a smile ready to get active early in the morning. To help you know which activity your child can access each day, the timetable is below. We will be slightly changing the position of the activities to avoid parents' ankles being in danger from hockey sticks!

	netball	hockey	multiskills
Monday	Y5 and Y6	Reception, Y1 and Y2	Y3 and Y4
Tuesday	Y3 and Y4	Y5 and Y6	Reception, Y1 and Y2
Wednesday	Reception, Y1 and Y2	Y3 and Y4	Y5 and Y6
Thursday	Y5 and Y6	Reception, Y1 and Y2	Y3 and Y4
Friday	Y3 and Y4	Y5 and Y6	Reception, Y1 and Y2

Dinosaurs!

Squirrels got straight into their topic this week by excavating dinosaurs. Great fun was had by all, including Mrs Wilkins!



Cold Weather

The forecast for next week shows that temperatures will be below zero for most of the week. Please make sure that your child is well wrapped-up to come to school with a warm coat, scarf, hat and gloves. Some parts of the school building can be quite chilly at times so please make sure your child has a school jumper or fleece.

Should the weather be so bad that school has to be closed, the school website is where you will find information. It will also be announced on local radio stations.

After School Pick Up

If your child will be going home with someone different to usual, please go to the school office to fill in a form. This is to help us ensure that all children are safe. If you cannot get to the office in person, please phone and tell the office so they can inform the class teacher.

Parent Consultations

Our parent consultations will be on Tuesday, March 20th and Thursday, March 22nd. The online system for booking will open on Friday, March 9th. You will receive your individual login for the system by that date.

Illness

There is a lot of illness in school at the moment. You may be aware that several children have been ill with scarlet fever and there are other infections around too. If you have any worries about your child's health, please seek medical attention. Though we ask that children are in school as much as possible, please make sure that your child is better before returning to school, especially after vomiting or diarrhoea. 48 hours since the last episode is the safe time to return to school.

PE Kits

There are still several children who do not have their PE kits in school every day. We do some form of physical exercise every day and children need to be correctly dressed for their comfort and safety. It is easiest if PE kits are left in school and then taken home at half term for a wash.

Tree Physical

This week, our Year 4 children have started their Tree Physical sessions, spending the whole of Thursday morning at Wild about Barcombe while working towards the John Muir Award. We know they will enjoy their sessions just as much as the Year 5s did.

Swimming Gala

Children from Years 4, 5 and 6 represented Barcombe at the schools' swimming gala yesterday. There were some fast performances and all the team are to be congratulated for representing Barcombe well.



Healthy Snacks

Please make sure that any snacks your child brings in for playtime are healthy snacks that are under 100 calories. Good examples are carrots sticks and hummus, raisins and other fruit. Chocolate and baked goods such as cakes and croissants are not suitable and please remember that no nuts should be brought into school.

School Lunches

The ParentPay system for paying for school lunches is working well. We hope it has made life easier for you. Please make sure that your account is in credit before your child orders a school lunch.

Dates for your diary

Please note these dates are not exhaustive and can be subject to change.

Dates for Terms 3 and 4 2017 - 2018	
February 2018	
Monday 26 th	Owls visit to Bodiam Castle
Tuesday 27 th	Foxes and Badgers visit to Bodiam Castle
March 2018	
Thursday 1 st	Owls Class assembly
Thursday 8 th	Foxes Class assembly
Thursday 8 th	Badgers to Lewes Town Hall Music Day
Thursday 15 th	Badgers Class assembly
Tuesday 20 th	Parent Consultations
Thursday 22 nd	Squirrels Class assembly
Thursday 22 nd	Y5 STEM day at Ringmer Academy
Thursday 22 nd	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 27 th	Easter Service at St Mary's Church
Thursday 29 th	Hedgehogs Class assembly
Thursday 29 th	End of term 4
Dates for Term 5 and 6 2017 2018	
April 2018	
Monday 16 th	Return to school
May 2018	
Monday 14 th – Thursday 17 th	Year 6 SATs tests

Best wishes,

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Ruth Force

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