



We Inspire, Cherish and Believe  
in each person that they might flourish  
and fulfil their potential

## Celebrating the winners from David Attenborough Day



The votes flooded in and have all been counted. We are thrilled to announce that the top 3 photographs as voted by everyone who visited our David Attenborough Art Exhibition were taken by:  
Finley in Fox Class  
Veia in Mole Class  
Laura Blackburn (represented in the photo by Lucas)  
A huge congratulations to you all!

Anna was the proud winner of the bear who was officially named in assembly as 'Turtle'.



All of our fundraising for this special day totalled to just over £460 which paid for the incredible animal experience that the children have definitely highlighted as one of their favourite parts of the day and some future projects too!

Thank you so much for your ongoing support, it is valued and appreciated greatly.

*Thank you to everyone for entering our competitions!*

# Our Sustainability Pledges and Promises



In Hedgehog Class we promise not to pick flowers and to care for nature around us. We will not waste paper, will use the correct recycling bin, and will put food waste in the worm bin. We will look after our resources carefully so they do not break.

In Mole Class we will try not to waste food and recycle scraps for the worms. We will look after the trees and plants around school and not pick flowers. We will switch off lights and taps when they are not needed and recycle plastic whenever possible.



In Badger Class we pledge to keep our school and environment free from litter by picking up rubbish when we see it. We will care for plants and trees, recycle and reduce waste where possible, and encourage others to make positive changes to help protect our planet.

In Fox Class we pledge to keep our school clean by putting rubbish in bins and picking up litter when we see it. We will help wildlife by planting trees and flowers, recycle food waste in the wormery, and save energy by switching off lights and electricals when they are not in use.



In Squirrel Class we pledge to look after our classroom resources for example, by making sure the lids are put back on the glue sticks. We will not waste paper and will not drop litter. We will make sure we do not waste water by leaving taps running and will be careful not to use more paper towels than necessary. We will pick up litter, even if we have not dropped it. We will save electricity when we leave the room.

In Otters we pledge to care for our school, community and planet by saving energy, reducing waste, protecting wildlife and using resources responsibly. We will learn outdoors, understand climate change, support one another, build confidence and teamwork, and use our ideas and actions to make a positive difference for people and nature.



*Each class worked on their own pledge/ promise for David Attenborough Day- they have also appointed some Eco-Warriors in each class to keep them accountable, More Sustainability News coming soon.*

# Well Done Year 6



This week, we are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils for the determination, resilience and positive attitude they have shown during their SATs. The children approached each test with maturity and confidence, and they should all feel extremely proud of themselves for the hard work they have put in throughout the year.

To celebrate the end of SATs week and reward the children for their fantastic effort, Year 6 enjoyed a lovely visit to the park on Thursday afternoon. It was wonderful to see everyone relaxing, spending time with friends and enjoying some well-deserved fun together in the sunshine.

A huge well done to all of Year 6 – you have been brilliant role models and we are so proud of you all!

# We are so proud of you!

# Thank you FOBS



The week ended in the best way possible for Year 6 with their leavers hoods arriving just in time. They were so excited to receive their gift from FOBS and all put them on straight away!

Thank you so much to FOBS for organising this for our Year 6 children.

Thank you too for Michael Richardson who organised the printing of these with his company Kalkwik and for the most perfect hand-delivery service to Barnham this afternoon.

# Please can you help us?



We are trying to increase biodiversity in our school grounds. We are looking to install more bird boxes, an owl box, hedgehog homes etc. Are you a woodworker or do you know someone who is? We'd love to have a conversation with you about making some of these to install on the school grounds.

Equally, if you'd like to purchase one of these and 'sponsor a habitat' in our school grounds we would be very grateful.

Please speak to us if you might be able to help in anyway.

We would LOVE to hear from you!

Thank you in advance.

## Picture News This Week



**Story: This week, countries from across Europe and beyond are taking part in the Eurovision Song Contest.**

**Question: How can music bring people together?**

Virtual Picture News: [www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)



**Listen carefully to the tunes we are playing next week on the playground in the mornings- they might just be inspired by Eurovision Song Contests!**

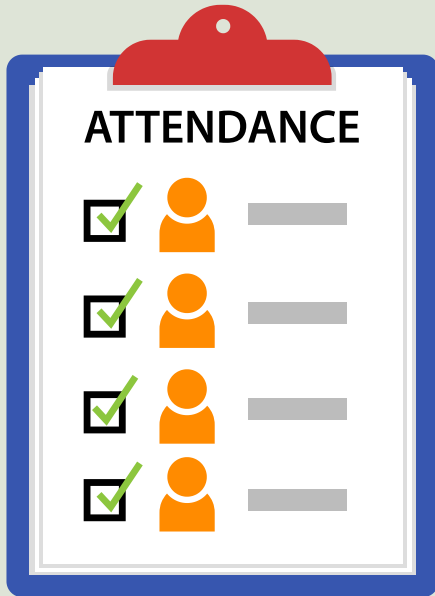
# Attendance Updates

Please find below our attendance for this week.

**A huge well done to Otter Class, you accepted the challenge of making your attendance 100% and have earned an extra playtime!**

Can any class make it 100% next week?

HEDGEHOGS	98.0%
MOLES	94.0%
BADGERS	96.4%
FOXES	97.6%
SQUIRRELS	95.8%
OTTERS	100.0%



**The Barnham Big Ball Drop**  
Friday 22nd May, 3.15pm-4pm  
Barnham School Field

Sell as many balls to family and friends and we will drop them from a tractor, the closest 10 balls to the post win.  
**1st prize is £100 CASH**  
kindly donated by Jez Blackburn Bird Trapping Ltd.  
9 more prizes to be won!

**£1 PER BALL**

**FOBS**  
FRIENDS OF BARNHAM PRIMARY SCHOOLS

## News from FOBS

This event is next Friday and we can't wait!

We hope to see you all there to end the half term in Barnham style!

Final deadline for purchasing balls is Monday at the very latest.

FOBS have sold 600 balls so far which is simply incredible! Can we get to 700?

# Musical Opportunities



Please do e mail Miss Bacon - [rbacon@barnham.org](mailto:rbacon@barnham.org) if your child is interested in playing the clarinet, saxophone, keyboard/ piano or recorder.

Val has said that clarinet and saxophone are only suitable for children in Year 4 or above but younger children are welcome to try the keyboard/piano or recorder with her.



**It is our Music Assembly on Monday morning** - please do not forget your instruments and music- if your child would like to perform in this assembly- please e mail Miss Bacon ([rbacon@barnham.org](mailto:rbacon@barnham.org)) so that she can add them to the programme.



## Spaces @ Barnham School

If you've got friends or family members who would like to join our Barnham Family, we have limited spaces available **for September** in the following year groups:

**Year 4**

**Year 5**

**Year 6**

Classes are filling up fast, though, so tell them not to hesitate in making an enquiry at the school office for more information.

Thank you for helping us spread the word



# Just a few reminders...

## PE Kits

We would like to remind parents and carers of the importance of children wearing the correct PE kit on their PE days. Recently, we have noticed an increasing number of children coming to school in incorrect clothing, which can make it difficult for them to take part safely and comfortably in lessons.

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the following kit:

Black shorts/ Black joggers or leggings

Black plain hoodie/jumper

PE T-shirt

Trainers



We appreciate your support in helping children arrive prepared and ready to participate fully in all PE and outdoor learning activities.



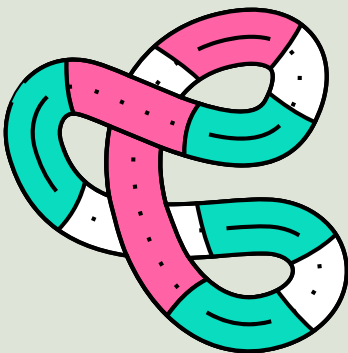
## Toys

We would like to remind parents and carers that children should not bring toys, games, or fidget toys into school from home. Recently, we have noticed an increase in these items being brought into classrooms, which can become distracting and may occasionally get lost or damaged.

If a child requires a fidget toy to support their learning or regulation, this will be provided by school staff. Only school-issued fidget toys are permitted in school.

We would appreciate your support in reinforcing this message at home and ensuring that personal toys and fidget items remain at home unless specifically agreed with school staff.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



# International Nurses Day Day - 12<sup>th</sup> May



We were delighted to welcome Ali (Max and Fern's mum) who works on the Rainbow Ward at West Suffolk Hospital, to help us celebrate International Nurses Day. The children enjoyed learning about her role as a nurse and discovering why the day is linked to the birthday of Florence Nightingale.

Miss Bacon also challenged us to learn more about how Florence Nightingale used mathematics and statistics to improve nursing. We discussed the important qualities nurses need, especially kindness, which Ali reminded us is something we should practise every day.

We are very grateful to Ali for visiting us and for kindly bringing stickers for every child. We are sure she inspired some future nurses during her visit.

# Pyjama Day - 5<sup>th</sup> June

Olivia in Badger Class recently shared the story of her brave best friend, Aubrey. Diagnosed with a rare brain tumour at just 2 years old, Aubrey showed incredible strength and resilience throughout her journey. Remembered for her love of purple, lions, and her joyful spirit, she remains deeply missed.

In her memory, Olivia is raising money for Abbie's Army, a charity supporting children with DIPG. We're very proud of Olivia for wanting to make a difference.

**We will be holding a charity Pyjama Day on Friday 5th June to support this cause.**

Olivia would like to invite everyone to wear their pyjama's to school on this day for a donation for Abbie's Army in their support of children with DIPG. If your child doesn't want to wear their pyjama's maybe they could wear something purple or lion themed to show their support instead.

Please support Olivia in her fundraising mission and give generously.



## Cake Raffle News!

Thank you so much to Jude's Mum for donating this week's offering for the cake raffle!

All the names went into the 'Lucky wheel' and in Collective Worship, we announced the winner!

Well done to **Leo Croucher** for winning the raffle!

We've had a couple more volunteers so can continue the cake raffle until half term.

**Please speak to Miss Bacon if you can help with further weeks after the half term holiday or e mail her at - [rbacon@barnham.org](mailto:rbacon@barnham.org)**

Our cake raffles bring in around £30-£40 each week which makes a huge difference to providing resources for our children in school. The children also love the excitement of announcing the winner each week.

Please help us if you can!



# Our Value is Resilience

*Something to ponder:*



Something different to reflect on this week on the theme of our current value of Resilience and also fitting with our focus to be the best guardians of our planet. Perhaps this is something that you can discuss with your family. Would you agree with these things? What else could make the world more resilient? How might you connect with nature this weekend?

## Well Done Maksim



A huge well done to Maksim from Hedgehogs Class, who has been putting our school values into action outside of school too!

Inspired by last week's environmental activities in school, Maksim spent time litter picking at a car boot sale this weekend. He started by collecting litter in his pockets before quickly upgrading to a carrier bag – which he soon filled as he walked around the stalls. Maksim shared a very important message with us: "If we dump our litter on the floor, the world will be sad." We are incredibly proud of Maksim for showing such kindness and care for the environment.

What a fantastic role model!

**Our RESILIENCE Bible Verse -**

**"I can do all things through Christ because he gives me strength."**

**Philippians 4 v 13**

# Lunch Menu for next week

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Mac and cheese  Or Loaded your way jackets  Marble cake slice	Meat balls and pasta  Or Tomato pasta  Chocolate drip rice Krispie cake	Sweet and sour chicken with rice and veg  Or Quorn chicken  Jelly and Fruit	Sausage roast & Fresh vegetables  Or Quorn sausage  Ice Lolly	Fish & Chips with beans or veg  Or Veggi fingers  Chocolate ice-cream pot

**Please note, our menu is subject to changes and these will be communicated via ParentMail**

## Diary Dates

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Music Extravaganza Assembly  
 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - The BIG Barnham Ball Drop - FOBS Event 3:15- 4pm  
**Half Term - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**  
 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Bikeability for Year 6  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Charity Pyjama Day**  
 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Class Photo Day  
 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June - Monster Kickabout - Special Football Themed Day in School  
 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Sports Day (Reserve incase of bad weather- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July)  
 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Year 4 Concert @ The Apex  
 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Vision & Values Week  
 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Crucial Crew Trip for Year 6  
 Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - KidsFest 2026  
 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Year 5 & 6 Pantomime - 2pm and 6pm Performances

### OUR SCHOOL BIBLE VERSES:

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,  
 whose confidence is in him.  
 They will be like a tree planted by the water  
 that sends out its roots by the stream.  
 It does not fear when heat comes;  
 its leaves are always green.  
 It has no worries in a year of drought  
 and never fails to bear fruit."  
 Jeremiah 17:7-8

Jesus said 'I am the vine; you  
 are the branches.  
 Those who abide in my and I in  
 them, will bear much fruit.'  
 John 15:5

