



Barnby & North Cove Primary School

Newsletter

16th May 2025

Message from Mr Lea

Dear Parents

It has been so good getting reacquainted with the wonderful pupils of Barnby again.

They have shown exemplary behaviour and a great attitude to learning in class - you should be proud of them all.

This week I introduced a new way of celebrating our learning in our sharing assembly and it was great to hear about the activities completed across the school and also outside of school. I would like to remind you that **ALL PARENTS** can attend our Thursday assemblies!

And finally.....

We would very much like to encourage you to complete the Spring Term survey by clicking on the following link <https://forms.office.com/e/gnc0weY1TH>

Please complete the survey by **Wednesday 21st May 2025**.

Barnby News

Diary Dates

20/05/2025 – Class photos

11th – 13th June – Year 6 Residential visit

24/06/2025 – Sports Day 12.45PM

27/06/2025 – Year 6 Prom

08/07/2025 – Move Up Day

08/07/2025 – Year 6 School Trip

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17th-18th July – Sir John Leman Transition Days

21/07/2025 - Sir John Leman Transition Day

22/07/2025 – Year 6 Leavers Assembly/Last day of term

PTA News

Story Event

We wanted to say a massive thank you to the families that came to our Story night and to everyone that helped transform the classrooms into magical worlds for the children to be transported to. A big shout out

to our readers too, we couldn't do these events without you all. We raised £195.41.

Upcoming Event

Our next event is the animal themed Scarecrow hunt that is being organised with the support of Barnby and North cove residents. It takes place on Saturday 24th May & Sunday 25th May (the start of half term). We will be set up in the school front gardens/ drive from 10-3 both days, selling maps for £3 each along with refreshments and a Tombola.

It's going to be a wonderful family and community event which we hope you can find the time to come along and enjoy. You will start by collecting a map from the school, it will take you on a journey around the villages hunting out animal installations that residents have lovingly created for all to enjoy. The map will have clues for you to decipher and fill in. If you get all the answers correct you will be entered into a prize draw. You can also vote for your favourite scarecrow. This event is open to everyone so spread the word! We hope to see you all there!

Support

We really need your support to be able to continue to fund things like school trips, the trim trail play equipment on the field, the library and many more things over the years and we hope many more wonderful things to come. We love organising events for the children and families to enjoy like discos, non uniform themed days, Prom & leavers gifts, Xmas fair and decorations, rainbow run, Easter egg hunt, family fun day, bingo, frozen Friday and many many more but need your support to be able to continue to offer these wonderful experiences.

Upcoming Events

Scarecrow trail - Sat 24th & Sun 25th May 10-3

PTA meeting - Thursday 5th June 1pm

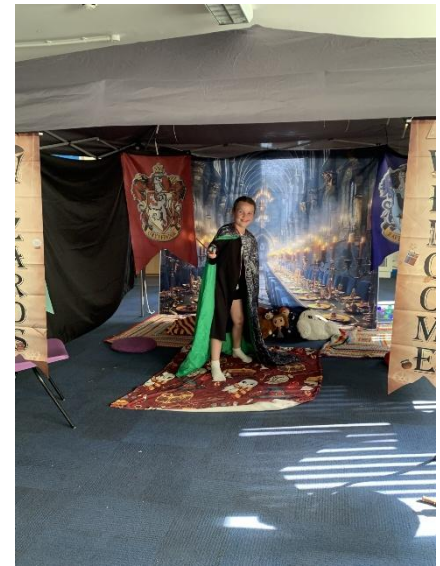
Sports day refreshments & raffle- Tues 24th June

Prom - Friday 27th June details to come

Frozen Friday- will be notified a few days before when weather is hot in summer term.

Rainbow Run- to be confirmed.





Message from Mrs Tilley

We've had a wonderfully *busy week* in Hazel Class, full of learning, creativity, and exploration!

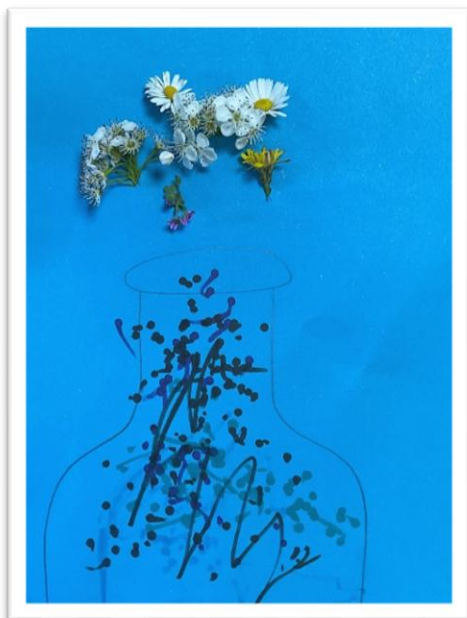
This week in Maths, we've been exploring the concept of *length*. The children have enjoyed comparing and discussing whether things are *bigger or smaller*, and using everyday objects to help understand these important measurements.

In Writing, we've been using the heartwarming book "*Is My Bucket Full Today?*" as inspiration for our learning. The children have engaged thoughtfully with the story and shared some beautiful ideas.

We took a *wildflower walk* around the school field and were amazed at the variety of wildflowers we found. The children turned their discoveries into lovely pieces of artwork, using both observation and imagination.

Our seeds are thriving thanks to the care and attention from Hazel Class! We're excited to report that our first shoots have started to appear — a wonderful sign of growth, both in our plants and in our young gardeners.

Thank you for your continued support. As always, it's a joy to watch your children learn and flourish



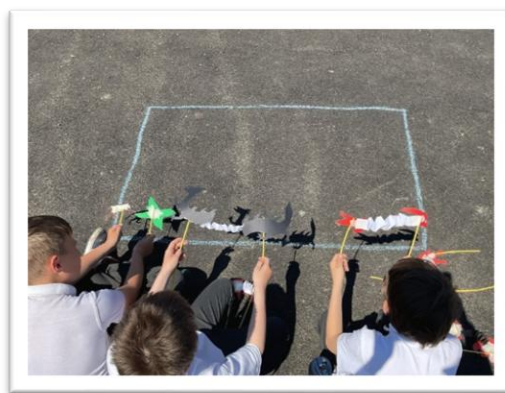
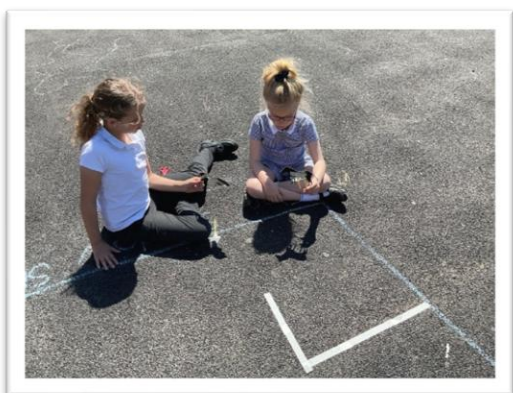
Message from Miss Forster

Juniper Class are deep into our Science topic and are enjoying the investigations!

In Juniper, our afternoon learning is as part of a 'thematic curriculum' where our Science, History, Geography, Art and DT learning is all linked together. We have been learning about light and shadows, so as part of this, we made our own movable shadow puppets of animals. We watched a shadow puppet performance of The 3 Little Pigs and used this as inspiration for our own stories with animals which we performed on the playground using the sun to create shadows on the floor.

The children had to think carefully about where to stand and how to hold their puppets to create an effective shadow - you may have seen some of our shadow silhouettes on the playground floor too!

The children showed brilliant teamwork and were particularly creative and imaginative.



Message from Miss Danks – Acorns Class

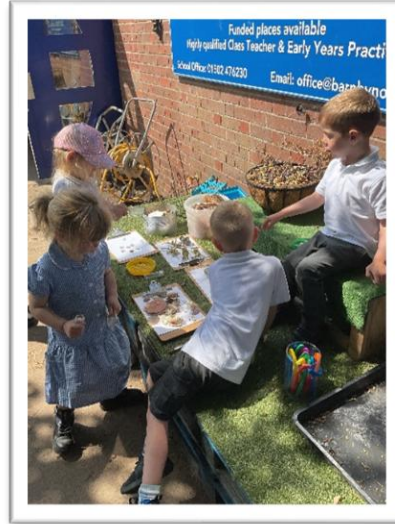
This week in Acorn class we have been learning all about dinosaurs. Our talk 4 writing story has given us lots of new information about how we know dinosaurs existed! We have been palaeontologists, digging for fossils and shells, observing and investigating our findings.

In Maths we have been consolidating our learning about pattern. We have become quite the experts and can show a pattern with our words, objects, actions and more! We have also started investigating numbers over 10. We are learning to use what we know already about the number 10 to help us learn about numbers 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Lastly, we have been working hard in the fairy garden, looking after our vegetables and making sure they are watered every day. We have been moving soil to get ready for new plants to be added and are very excited about our upcoming flower garden! If anyone would like to come and 'spruce' up the section we have reserved for the fairies you are more than welcome!

Thank you for a wonderful week!

Miss Danks



Message from Mrs Bramwell

This week in Oak Class we have set up an experiment to find the most unusual place to grow a plant. We have planted beans in either sand or soil and then put them in different locations around the school. We have put some in usual places like the windowsill and outside but we have also thought about more unusual places like the fridge, freezer or in the dark cupboard. We also discussed seaweed - we know seaweed grows in salt water so will our beans grow if we give them salt water to drink. We have made some predictions and can't wait to discover if we are right.

In computing we have been using an online website to support our unit of learning on data. We have been using <https://www.j2e.com/jit5#pictogram> to make pictograms of our favourite fruits and colours. This week we have been looking at hair and eye colour to find out which is the most popular. If you have access at home, you might like to create your own pictogram using one of the examples or even make your own.



Message from Mrs Hall – Willow Class

This week, Willow scientists have been investigating shadows. We discussed what a shadow is and how they are created. Our investigation took us further into recognising objects that are transparent, translucent and opaque and what effect they have on shadows.



Message from Chestnut Class

The year 5s have been going to different classes to do their work as the Year 6s have finally finished their SATs. In Maths we have been learning about 24-hour clocks and have found it difficult! In English, we have been describing the island that Michael gets washed up on in 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. We have added adjectives and lots of describing words to our sentences. In our Spellings, we have been practicing words with the suffix; 'en' in them such as 'blacken'. It has been a really busy week for everyone. Written by Sophia.

After lots of really hard work and revising, we finally completed our SATs this week. It has been a really stressful week for Year 6 and some of us found them quite hard, while others found them just fine. On Thursday after we finished, we had a lovely picnic. There was enough food to feed that whole class! We are really happy that they are finally over and that we can relax again. We are certainly looking forward to the weekend! Written by Hettie.

Safeguarding Information

The DSL (Designated safeguarding lead) for safeguarding in school is Mr Simon Lea. The ADSL's (Alternate designated safeguarding lead) are Mrs Claire Tilley and Mrs Kathy Lloyd.

A copy of the safeguarding policy and all other policies are available on the school website.

The Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership website contains a wealth of information: www.suffolksp.org.uk

If you are worried about the welfare or safety of a child speak directly to Mr Lea, Mrs Tilley or Mrs Lloyd. If concerns are outside school hours, please contact Customer First on 0800 917 1109 (24 hours). If the matter is urgent because a child or vulnerable adult is in immediate danger, phone 999.