



Great Barford C of E Primary Academy



Growing together through learning, friendship and worship

Newsletter 1, 11th September



Welcome back everyone. The children made a fantastic start to the new year. Everyone is looking really smart and they have settled very well into their new classes and are busily beginning their new learning journey. Please see the class curriculum letters for PE days and curriculum information sent out last week.

Just a quick reminder about Jewellery. Small watches are encouraged but no alarms or watches with photographic or internet capacity are allowed. One pair of stud earrings only. Watches and earrings must be removed for all PE lessons and the children must be able to do this themselves 'I've just had them pierced' is not an acceptable reason for not doing this.

As you know we have had to move a couple of classes as a precautionary measure due to the DfE RAAC guidance. A huge thank you to all the staff and family members who helped with the move and supported the children throughout the day. A big thank to the children as well who were so sensible and have been super adaptable. Well done everyone!

It's great to see that so many children are using bikes and scooters to come to school. Please remember, to keep everyone safe, that children and adults must dismount and push bikes and scooters as soon as they enter the school driveway.

Caterlink have been in touch and have advised us of an increase in price for their meals. Nursery meals now cost £2.72 and Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 meals cost £2.82

Please see on the following pages the stars and values for last week, the term dates for 2023/24 and 2024/25, the calendar dates for the autumn term and flyers for gym and multi-sports club.

We are looking forward to another great week.

Sarah Evans



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VALUES CHAMPIONS

OWLS - JESSICA
SWALLOWS - MEGAN
WOODPECKERS - FLORENCE
NIGHTINGALES - OLIVER W
KESTRELS - SKYLAR
EAGLES - JING-RAN
FALCONS - COLE

STARS OF THE WEEK



OWLS - JETT & ISABELLA
SWALLOWS - EMMA & JAKE
WOODPECKERS - TEDDY & LENA
NIGHTINGALES - ALEXA & GEORGE
KESTRELS - WHOLE CLASS
EAGLES - WHOLE CLASS



PE VALUES

OWLS - ERIK
SWALLOWS - ROSE
WOODPECKERS - AVA K
KESTRELS - ADA
(Not all classes have yet done pe)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 11th Sept - Safeguarding Training for Parents @12.30pm
MONDAY 11th September - Y1 Y2 Y3 Meet the Teacher @3.20pm
TUESDAY 12th September - Y5 Y6 Meet the Teacher @3.20pm
WEDNESDAY 13th Sept - Y5 & Y6 Jordan's Close Visit
WEDNESDAY 13th Sept - FRIENDS AGM Meeting @7.30pm
WEDNESDAY 13th September - Y4 YR Meet the Teacher @3.20pm
FRIDAY 15th Sept - Yr2 Parents invited to celebrate Worship

Autumn Term 2023

23rd - 27th October 2023

Half Term Holiday

Tuesday 19th December 2023

Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2024

Wednesday 3rd January 2024

Staff Training Day

Thursday 4th January 2024

First Day of Term

19th - 23rd February 2024

Half Term Holiday

Thursday 28th March 2024

Last Day of Term

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15th April 2024

Staff Training Day

Tuesday 16th April 2024

First Day of Term

Monday 6th May 2024

May Day Bank Holiday

27th May - 31st May 2024

Half Term Holiday

Thursday 18th July 2024

Last Day of Term

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September 2024

Staff Training Day

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

First Day of Term

25th October - 1st November 2024

Half Term Holiday

Friday 20th December 2024

Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January 2025

Staff Training Day

Tuesday 7th January 2025

First Day of Term

17th February - 21st February 2025

Half Term Holiday

Friday 4th April 2025

Last Day of Term

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Staff Training Day

Wednesday 23rd April 2025

First Day of Term

Monday 5th May 2025

May Day Bank Holiday

26th May - 30th May 2025

Half Term Holiday

Wednesday 21st July 2025

Last Day of Term

Thursday 22nd July 2025

Staff Training Day



MULTI-SPORTS

VENUE: Great Barford Primary Academy

DATES: Monday 11th September - 16th October (6 sessions)

TIMES: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

CLASS: Years 3 - 6

COST: £33.00



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GYMNASTICS CLUB

VENUE: Great Barford Primary Academy

DATES: Wednesday 13th September - 18th October (6 sessions)

TIMES: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

CLASS: Years 1 - 6

COST: £33.00



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AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR 2023

Fri 1 st Sept	INSET day
Mon 4 th Sept	First day of term
Tues 5 th Sept	Nursery new starters stay and play 9am – 10am
Wed 6 th Sept	Nursery new starters stay and play 9am – 10am
Wk beg Mon 11 th Sept	Families chance to visit classroom & meet teacher at 3.20pm – 3.40pm Monday 11 th – Y1, Y2 & Y3 Tuesday 12 th – Y5 & Y6 Wednesday 13 th – Y4 & YR
Mon 11 th Sept	Safeguarding training with Donna for parent helpers (trips, Friends events etc.) 12.30pm
Wed 13 th Sept	Y5 & Y6 Jordan's Close
Wed 13 th Sept	Friends AGM 7.30pm
Fri 15 th Sept	Y2 parents invited to Celebration worship
Wed 20 th Sept	KS2 Times tables Rock Stars day & KS1 Numbots day (dress up)
Fri 22 nd Sept	Y3 parents invited to Celebration worship
Mon 25 th Sept	School photographs (individual and families) TBC
Tues 26 th Sept	Parent Forum Meeting 6.30pm - 7.30pm in the hall (SEND focus)
Wed 27 th Sept	YN Harvest stay and play 2pm – 3pm
Thurs 28 th Sept	YR Harvest stay and play 2pm - 3pm
Thurs 28 th Sept	Y1 – Y6 Harvest festival at the church 10am (children only)
Fri 29 th Sept	Inspired playground training for Y5 & Y6 Play-leaders
Fri 29 th Sept	Y4 parents invited to celebration worship
Tues 3 rd Oct	Y3, Y4 & Y5 Amazing Acts Exhibition (RE) Andy Little (in gym)
Fri 6 th Oct	Y5 & Y6 parents invited to celebration worship
Mon 9 th Oct	Book Fair 3.30pm
Wk 9 th –13 th Oct	PSHE week (World mental health day on 10 th)
Fri 13 th Oct	Y1 parents invited to celebration worship
Mon 16 th Oct	Design a Christmas card with Friends event 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Tues 17 th Oct	YR phonics stay and play 2.30pm – 3pm
Wed 18 th Oct	YR phonics stay and play 2.30pm – 3pm
Thurs 19 th Oct	YR phonics stay and play 9.30am – 10am
Thurs 19 th Oct	Golden coin mufti for winning team
Half term 23 rd Oct – 27 th Oct	
Wed 1 st Nov	Y1 – Y6 Parent consultations 4 – 6.30pm
Fri 3 rd Nov	Y2 parents invited to celebration worship
Mon 6 th Nov	Y5 planetarium
Thurs 9 th Nov	Y1 – Y6 Parent consultations 5 – 7.30pm
Fri 10 th Nov	Y3 parents invited to celebration worship
Fri 17 th Nov	Y4, Y5, Y6 parents invited to celebration worship
Fri 24 th Nov	Y1 parents invited to celebration worship
Fri 1 st Dec	YR parents invited to celebration worship
Mon 4 th Dec	Christingle making & service in school for children
Wed 6 th Dec	Y1 & Y2 Nativity with families 2.30pm
Thurs 7 th Dec	YR Christmas stay and play 2pm – 3pm Y5 & Y6 Lessons & carols (church) 9.30am
Fri 8 th Dec	Y3, Y4 Christmas play (2pm in gym)
Mon 11 th Dec	Christmas dinner & Christmas jumper day
Wed 13 th Dec	YN Christmas Stay & Play 2pm-3pm
Thurs 14 th Dec	Golden coin mufti for winning team
Mon 18 th Dec	Christmas party p.m. (Christmas Mufti)
Tues 19 th Dec	Christmas film day
Tues 19 th Dec	Last day of term