

Friday 24th April 2026

BARFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

“Happy hearts, healthy minds, exhilarating experiences - inspires success”



Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is lovely to see everyone back to start our Summer Term. Already we have been very busy in true 'Barford style'! Children in Reception have been learning to ride a bike with 'Balanceability'. We have also had our annual visit from the Royal Ballet; year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their first ballet lesson from a professional dancer from the Royal Ballet!

By now you should have received our letters via MCAS about events and parent meetings coming up this term. They will also be displayed outside school in the display units outside KS1 entrance, the Main School entrance on Brandon passage and outside the nursery entrance. Please make sure the office have has your up-to-date phone numbers. you have registered with MCAS so you can receive the most up to date information & communication from school. Thankyou as always for your continued support.



Head Teacher - Jaanne Davies

KS2 CURRICULUM

WE ALL LOVE TO READ !

This week, in year 4 we all love to read !
[@mobilelibrary](#)



KS1 CURRICULUM

EXCITING TIMES !

This week, we celebrated Vaisakhi Miss Akhtar led a wonderful assembly of our children, Year 1 enjoyed a visit from the Royal Ballet. A few have even been selected to attend a final dance competition in May!



WE NOW OFFER 30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE FOR NURSERY – SEPTEMBER 2025!

YOU CAN NOW GET UP TO 30 HOURS' FREE CHILDCARE FOR WORKING PARENTS OF 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS. COLLECT A FORM FROM OUR OFFICE OR SPEAK TO OUR BUSINESS MANAGER FOR MORE INFORMATION.

BALANCEABILITY

RECEPTION ENJOYED
THEIR FIRST
SESSION OF
BALANCE ABILITY
WHICH SUPPORTS
WITH DEVELOPING
THEIR BALANCE AND
FINE AND GROSS
MOTOR SKILLS



AMAZING BARFORD ART IN YEAR 2

YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN LEARNING THE STIPPLING TECHNIQUE FOR
THEIR FIRST LESSON USING OUR NEW ART SCHEME.



SUSTAINABILITY AT BARFORD!

ECO CLUB HAVE BEEN BUSY WATERING
PLANTS IN THE POLY TUNNEL TO HELP THEM
STAY HEALTHY. BY GIVING YOUNG AND NEWLY
PLANTED GREENERY THE WATER THEY NEED,
WE'RE HELPING THEM ESTABLISH STRONG
ROOTS AND CONTINUE GROWING. THIS SMALL
ACTION IS IMPORTANT AS IT SUPPORTS
SUSTAINABILITY BY CARING FOR OUR
SCHOOL'S GREEN SPACES AND REMINDING
EVERYONE THAT LOOKING AFTER PLANTS
TODAY HELPS CREATE A HEALTHIER
ENVIRONMENT FOR THE FUTURE.

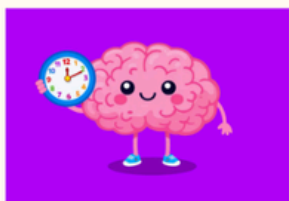


ONLINE SAFETY FOR ALL

How much screen time should my child have?

Limit total screen time for young children,
wherever possible.

- **Under 2 years:** Avoid screen time other than for shared activities with family that encourage bonding, interaction and conversation.
- **2-5 years:** Try to keep it to 1 hour a day. Less if possible.



SCREEN TIME FOR CHILDREN

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN, EXPERTS RECOMMEND LIMITING
RECREATIONAL
SCREEN TIME.

WHILE SCREENS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING AND PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT,
IT'S IMPORTANT
THAT THEY ARE BALANCED WITH ACTIVE PLAY, READING, FAMILY TIME,
AND PLENTY OF
SLEEP.

SETTING CLEAR ROUTINES AROUND SCREEN USE, KEEPING DEVICES OUT OF
BEDROOMS WHERE POSSIBLE, AND
ENCOURAGING REGULAR SCREENFREE BREAKS CAN HELP CHILDREN
DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS THAT SUPPORT THEIR
WELLBEING AND LEARNING.