

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024

# Barford Primary School Newsletter

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



## Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been a very busy few weeks with lots going on at our school. A very busy Barford! The children in year 5 & 6 have been sailing on Edgbaston reservoir and our reception children went to Kingswood adventure centre and had a fantastic time exploring the outdoors last week. We have a lot of other trips and events going on in school so please check your events calendar to help you plan ahead. Many thanks to all of you who have attended the transition meetings. We hope this new meeting will give you a flavour of what your child will be experiencing in the next academic year.

I hope to see you all over the next few weeks at our events in school.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Head Teacher - Joanne Davies*



## Reception's trip to Kingswood

Reception had an amazing day at Kingswood trust, exploring the woodland and learning all about the different animals and their habitats. The day was full of exciting outdoor learning and experiences from climbing walls and trees to adventure ropes and zip wiring. It was a great opportunity for the children to challenge themselves and develop their love and curiosity for the natural world. It was most definitely a breath of fresh air!



## Year 6 Take one picture Week!

This week, Barford has been participating in 'Take One Picture week'. We have been creating our own interpretations based on 'Surprised' by Henri Rousseau. Year 6 Sycamore have been exploring different media. They have used watercolour paints and fine line pens to create jungle images. They have also focused on a close up of the eye of the tiger and used pastels to blend colours.



## Nursery Trip!

Nursery had a fantastic day out at Ash End House Farm. They were so brave holding and feeding the animals all by themselves!



## Year 5 Sailing Experience

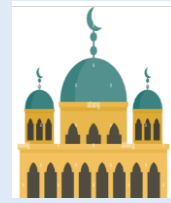
Year 5 had an exciting Sailing experience at Edgbaston Reservoir this week!



## Volunteers needed at Barford to support reading!

Do you have a spare few hours to listen to our wonderful children read in September. Full training will be given. If you would like to come in please could you email school office (FAO Miss Davies) -with your name and phone number with an expression of interest. Miss Davies will contact you and let you know the organisation for the Autumn Term.

## Year 5 Mosque Visit



This week, Year 5 visited Masjid Usman. They learnt about the 5 pillars and why these are important for Muslims.



## Community News!

### Round the Reservoir fun day 6th July 2-4pm

This fun filled community day, will be based Edgbaston Reservoir in support of protecting the surroundings of the Tower Ballroom Site that is currently being sold. Parents and members of the local community are organising this event to ensure the path remains open to the public. Please support the community by attending on the day. Please see the flyer below for more details.



## Barford's Summer Fair

Mrs Gulzar and Mrs Janagal have requested donations for our summer fair on 9th July, please bring any contributions you may have to the main office.



## Dates for your Diary Inset Days at Barford!

Autumn Term	
Monday 2nd September 2024	Teacher training day
Tuesday 3rd September 2024	Teacher training day
Wednesday 4th September 2024	Children back to school
Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024	Half Term
Friday 20 December 2024	Term Ends (half- day- finish at 1.45pm)
Spring Term	
Monday 6th January 2025	Teacher training day
Tuesday 7th January 2025	Children back to school
Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025	Half Term
Friday 11 April 2025	Term ends (half- day- finish at 1.45pm)
Summer Term	
Monday 28th April 2025	Teacher training day
Tuesday 29th April 2025	Children back to school
Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025	Half term
Monday 2nd June 2025	Teacher training day
Tuesday 3rd June 2025	Children back to school
Monday 21st July 2025	Term ends (half- day- finish at 1.45pm)