

Friday 4th October 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 fortnight at Barford! As you can see from everything going on at school, we have had lots of events that have taken place. Thank you to you all who have supported curriculum meetings in school and our exciting stay and read sessions. I am always trying to get your views about our school and listen to ways to improve, so please contact me if you have anything that you would like share. I am usually at one of the school gates at the start or end of the school day, or contactable by phone or email or ring the school office and make an appointment to see me. We all need to work together to make Barford the best place it can possibly be.

We have a parent governor vacancy and I will be sending out letters for any parent who would like to be part of our governing body. Being a governor of a school is an exciting journey and you will be able to have an even more active role in school evaluation and improvement. Please watch out for the letter next week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Head Teacher - Joanne Davies



Blackwell Adventure

Year 6 had an amazing time at Blackwell Adventure. We developed our teamwork skills during team building activities, laser tag and tree trek. We even travelled down a 240m long zipwire. The staff were really proud of all the children.



Black History Month

This week, Year 6 have had their Inspire Workshop focusing on Black History Month. We have explored the book 'Black and British' by David Olugosa and learnt about artist Lubaina Himid. We created our own pieces of art inspired by her work.



Football Festival

Girls from Years 3 and 4 have thoroughly enjoyed participating in the Football Festival at St John Wall School. They got the opportunity to practise some football skills and interact with other girls from local schools. Thank you to the School Games Partnership for the invitation.



We have School Places available!

Prospective Parents
Visit us on one of our open days
Open Days



Thursday 26th September
Thursday 10th October
Thursday 14th November
Friday 13th December

9:15am - 10:15am or
3:30pm - 4:30pm

Ofsted
Good
Provider

British Values

This week we have talked about **equality and protected characteristics**. At Barford we believe everyone is an important part of our school community. The children have been learning that in Britain the Equalities Act 2010 helps protect all people from being discriminated against.

There are nine characteristics that are protected.

Protected Characteristics



Visit to Birmingham Library

Year 5 Beech had a fantastic day at the Library of Birmingham this week. Over the coming weeks all Year 4, 5 & 6 children will be visiting this brilliant resource at the heart of our city.



Numbots Launch!



This week we launched our Numbots programme for EYFS and year 1. Staff dressed up as different numbers and we took part in number hunts in the classroom. Children were interested to learn all about Rusty and his adventures on Numbots. We looked at the interactive game and children are very excited to go home and try it out for themselves!

Spookball Club

Welcome to Barford's Spookball club. The home of Halloween. As the nights get longer, footballers have to dodge through gooey traps and moving pumpkins. Prepare yourself in a frightful world of spine-tingling football games such as:

- Dodge the pumpkin
- Score past the Scarecrow
- Hit the ghostly targets
- Gooey cone flip

And to finish off this frightful day we have a final football match between the Green Gooey Spider Team and the Red Witches/ Goblin Team.

It was a day for all sorts of tricks and treats.



Y2 visit Tamworth Castle

Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Tamworth Castle. They had an opportunity to become real life squires! The children also learnt about William the Conqueror which fits in with our current Topic!

Year 7 Application Reminder

We would like to remind Year 6 parents/carers to apply for your child's preferred secondary school by **31st October 2024**. Please arrange an appointment with Miss Whorrie if you wish for some support with the application.