

Friday 18th October 2024

Barford Primary School Newsletter

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



Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/ Carers,

There have been lots happening at Barford as usual!! We had a lovely visit from the Reverend Katie from Summerfield church, who led our harvest assembly in school last week. We have never had so many donations for Harvest so a huge thank you for your generosity. The School Council will be presenting the donations to the Birmingham Food Bank next week. It has been lovely to see you all at our book fair this week. All the money raised will go towards new literature for our school library. The fair will be in school as well next week and during parents evening so you will be able to buy books for another week at school.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at our parents' evenings next week. Please ensure you have signed up for a slot to see your child's class teacher on MCAS before the end of today.

Finally have a super and safe weekend and we will see you all next week at school.

Head Teacher - Joanne Davies



Phonics LIVE

Year 1 enjoyed their second successful Phonics Live event this week. The parents were able to see first-hand how phonics is taught here at Barford and even had an opportunity to see the children using prosody during reading skills!

This week Reception had their first Phonics Live!. Parents were invited in to watch their children take part in both phonics and reading skills sessions. It was brilliant to see the children so involved in their reading, recognising graphemes and blending words together. Parents were very impressed with all the hard work that the children have done and how much they have learnt. Well done Reception!

World Mental Health Day

In recognition of World Mental Health Day 2024, each class made 'sense of self ball'. On each strip we described what each feeling looked like.



National Poetry Day

Year 5 have had a lovely afternoon to mark National Poetry Day, with a former pupil, turned poet Lauren Sophia.

Year 5 Beech also enjoyed a fantastic visit to the Library of Birmingham earlier last week.



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

Ofsted
Good
Provider

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

Barford's Glee Club

Eleanor Hewer will be running Barford's Glee Club every Monday between 3:30pm-4pm for 5 weeks. Monday 4th November - Monday 9th December. This club costs £10 for the term! We still have spaces available. Book now on MCAS!

SprintActive Holiday Club is running at our school during this **October Half-term!** Please sign up via the SprintActive website or contact the office for more details!

October Half-term

School is closed between Monday 28th October – 1st November. All children are expected back in school on Monday 4th November.

Celebrating Harvest at Barford!

We were delighted to welcome the Rev Katie Stock from Summerfield Church, who led our Harvest Festival assembly in school last week. Harvest is celebrated throughout the world in different ways in different faiths. Whilst Harvest is a time for us to celebrate, it is also an opportunity to reflect and give back especially to those who need it most. Thank you to everyone who has sent in donations this year! Our Barford school council will be presenting our harvest donations to the Birmingham Food Bank next week.



Book Fair 2024

The book fair is back again this year! The book fair is available until Thursday 31st October everyday afterschool in the main playground and also during parents evening on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Remember the more books you buy, the more books school receives!



Vote in these Tesco Stores!!

Sheepcote Street Exp Small unit
Frankley Birm Exp B31 5NJ
Bournville Bham Exp B30 1PA
Selly Oak Brst Rd Exp B29 6BA
Birmingham Spring Hill B18 7BH
West Heath Brmghm Exp B31
3LD
Handsworth Oxhill Exp B21 9RR
Birmingham Bristl Exp B29 6BE

We would love if you would share photos of you shopping and using your tokens to vote for our project!

PLEASE VOTE!

Vote for us in Tesco Stores now!

Our project - Barford's Journey to Become Novelicious!

At our school we are on a mission to develop our school library into a book-filled haven for our children and members of our community.

To vote, you can make a purchase of any value in any of the stores below. You will receive one token per transaction that can be used to vote for a project of your choice.

Barford Primary School
TESCO
Community Grants



Reception 2025 Reminder

We would like to remind all **Nursery parents** to apply for your child's preferred school for a reception 2025 place by **15th January 2025**. Please arrange an appointment with Miss Whorrie if you wish for some support with the application or come along to one of our open days!

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.