



BARHAM PRIMARY NEWS AUTUMN EDITION

15TH DECEMBER 2023

BARHAM PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN

18th December – Instrumental Concert
 18th December – Whole school sing along
 19th December – Class parties
 20th December – Christmas Carol at 2:15pm: School office will be closed during this time
 20th December – Last day of term
NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY RESULTS

Last week our whole school attendance was 92.8%. Our target is 97%. Ensure that your child attends school regularly.

Well done to 3I and 6Y for achieving the highest attendance of 99.3%

Lates:

We had 60 lates in total last week.

Please make more effort to come to school on time.

The year group with the highest amount of lates was Year 2 with 12 lates.

Congratulations to 1D, 4P, 5T and 6Y for achieving 0 lates last week!



Tuesday 19th December

Please provide your child with a small snack box/bag for them to consume at the Class Christmas Parties on Tuesday 19th December. This should contain several snacks only for your child; we are not asking parents to provide for the whole class. Please ensure there are **NO NUT PRODUCTS** in the snack bag.

Dear Parents,

As we approach the festive season, I wanted to take a moment to extend my warmest wishes to you and your families.

It has been a remarkable year filled with achievements and growth of our children, and we are grateful for your continued support. Your commitment to your children's education is truly appreciated.

As we welcome the New Year, may it be filled with renewed hope, success, and prosperity. Thank you for being an integral part of our school community.

Wishing you a restful and enjoyable winter break and a Happy New Year!

Looking forward to seeing you all back on Monday 8th January 2024 at 8:45am

Warm regards,
 Mrs Thakore
 Interim Head of School



NHS Guidance for sick children

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school or nursery when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines on the following pages for you to use.



Book recommendation –
 "Viking Boy" by Tony Bradman

Ms Donnellan

This is a brilliant, fast paced read! It is full of action, magic and the power of self-belief. I devoured it in one sitting and I am sure you will too.

Happy Reading.

REPORTING ABSENCES

To report your child's absence from school due to sickness, please contact the school with a reason for your child's absence. Either call the school on 0208 902 3706 before 8:30am and leave a message, or send an email to the school office, admin@barham.brent.sch.uk

Please ensure you make non-urgent appointments e.g. to the dentist in the school holidays or after school.

See letter about unauthorised leave

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZyyV1Bqf86cB6sMQaiWJmF7ghDHg-QW/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=111564513715057901570&rtpof=true&sd=true

When leaving voicemails please state the reason for your child's absence along with the full name and class for your child.

It's Christmas at Barham!



Here you can see The Nativity assembly by 5R, children decorating our Christmas tree and a selection of our Winter Poems!

Three girls from Year 6, Sonam, Narmika and Varinigaa took part in an International Conference for The future of girls in STE(A)M which was hosted in Madrid, Spain on Wednesday 13th December 2023 alongside Mrs Thakore. Barham was invited as the only UK school alongside two other schools - one from Iceland and one from Uganda to join.

During this conference the girls had an opportunity to participate in discussions about their interests and aspirations in future careers linked to science and technology and engage in dialogue with other young students from diverse countries via a live virtual link. They also had an opportunity to speak to Sara García Alonso, ESA Astronaut and Spanish National Cancer Research Centre (CNIO) scientific researcher.



RECEPTION APPLICATIONS 2024

Please make sure you apply online for your child's Reception place by **15th January 2024**. Visit: www.brent.gov.uk/reception for further information.

No Term Time Holidays



Please do not book holidays during term time.

All children are expected to attend every day, up to and including 20th December.

All leave from school must be requested. A form is available in the office. If you take holidays during school time the school will have no alternative but to report this to the EWO.

You may also receive an Educational Penalty Notice. More information can be found on

ews@brent.gov.uk



Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school or nursery when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

Illnesses

Follow this advice for other illnesses:

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor [cough](#) or [common cold](#). But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

High temperature

If your child has a [high temperature](#), keep them off school until it goes away.

Chickenpox

If your child has [chickenpox](#), keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Cold sores

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a [cold sore](#).

Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have [conjunctivitis](#).

Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

COVID-19

If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, and feels well enough, they can go to school.

Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have [symptoms of COVID-19](#) and they either:

- have a high temperature
- do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities

What to do if your child has tested positive

Your child is no longer required to do a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test if they have symptoms. But if your child has tested positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test.

Ear infection

If your child has an [ear infection](#) and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Hand, foot and mouth disease

If your child has [hand, foot and mouth disease](#) but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice.

Head lice and nits

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice.

You can treat [head lice and nits](#) without seeing a GP.

Ringworm

If your child has [ringworm](#), see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP.

It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

If your child has [scarlet fever](#), they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks.

Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Slapped cheek syndrome (fifth disease)

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have [slapped cheek syndrome](#) because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious.

But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

Sore throat

You can still send your child to school if they have a [sore throat](#). But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.

A sore throat and a high temperature can be symptoms of [tonsillitis](#).

Threadworms

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have [threadworms](#).

Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with [diarrhoea or vomiting](#) should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

 **Brent's**
Holiday
Activities
and Food
Programme

2D
STAGE

WINTER
HOLIDAY CLUB

FREE PLACES
AVAILABLE

2 - 5 January 2024
8am-4pm

OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES:

Arts & Crafts
Sports
Trips include
Trampoline Park
Cinema

OUR VENUE:

Barham Primary School
Danethorpe Road,
Wembley, HA0 4RQ



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CHILDREN
5-12 YRS