



# *Fawbert & Barnard's Newsletter*

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Welcome to our latest newsletter.

## **SCHOOL UPDATES**

### *Friends Disco*

We would like to thank the Friends for providing the opportunity for the children to attend a disco on Friday 12 November 2021. This received a good response and was thoroughly enjoyed by all those taking part.

We will update our website with the fundraising figure when known.



### *Saturday Working Party*

Thank you for all the support from parents and pupils. The front of the school is looking much better. The next working party will be in the new year to carry on with the path and clearing the ivy.



## **VACANCIES**

The school is currently looking for some temporary staff to help until the end of term. We have the following roles available:

- MDA 12:00 - 1:00 Monday to Friday
- Teaching Assistant 9:00 - 12:00 Monday to Friday

If you are interested in any of these roles, please contact [office@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk](mailto:office@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk)

## **REMINDERS**

### *Self-Testing for Families*

To help limit the spread of the infection within primary schools we are asking you to:

- Support your primary school child, if you are not already doing so, to undertake twice-weekly lateral flow device tests. All children over 2 can now test.
- Be alert to COVID-19 symptoms in your child (high temperature, new continuous cough, or loss of sense of smell or taste).
- Encourage good hand hygiene within your household.

Whilst we understand this is different guidance for some of you, we would strongly encourage you to begin this practice as a family, excluding any child/ren under the age of 2. This will ensure that as much asymptomatic infection as possible is picked up and will help schools to continue to operate at

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full capacity and minimise the spread of infection through the school and wider community. You can collect test kits from your nearest pharmacy using one of the new collect codes which can be downloaded from <https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits>. You can then hand this into your local pharmacy, who will provide you with test kits. You can also collect test kits from your local library or order them online via this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/> .

If a positive result is returned, your child/young person will need to seek a confirmatory PCR test and isolate for 10 days according to national guidance. If the PCR test is negative, your child can return to school if they are well enough to do so. More information about lateral flow testing can be found here: [Regular Rapid Lateral Flow Coronavirus \(Covid-19\) Tests](#)