



# *Fawbert & Barnard's Newsletter*

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Welcome to our first newsletter of the new academic year and hope that we can return to a kind of normality as we learn to live with COVID. We would like to welcome our new families and members of staff who have joined us this year and we all look forward to getting to know you. The children are all settling in well to their new routines.

## **SCHOOL UPDATES**

### *Returning to school*

Please find the attached [letter](#) from Essex County Council regarding the changes to guidance around protective measures, testing, self-isolation, and vaccinations along with a [flow-chart](#) which we hope you find helpful.

### *Ice-cream sales*

Thank you to everyone who supported the Friends ice-cream sale at the end of last term. We are please to inform you that this raised a fantastic £120.85 to their fundraising.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### *Macmillan Coffee Morning*

You are invited to attend our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 24 September from 9:00 am where we will be trying to re-establish our valuable Friends Association committee. Have a look at the Friends tab of our website for information on [committee members](#) roles. A poster will be circulated shortly with more details. Donations should be made by using the following link: <https://thyg.uk/BUU004106939>

We also have a Y4 parent (Janna) who will be completing a skydive to also raise funds for Macmillan. You can sponsor her by clicking on this link: [https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/green-man-harlow?utm\\_source=whatsapp&utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=green-man-harlow&utm\\_campaign=pfp-whatsapp&utm\\_term=2703866245164103bd699605828ff5b6](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/green-man-harlow?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=green-man-harlow&utm_campaign=pfp-whatsapp&utm_term=2703866245164103bd699605828ff5b6)

### *Bike to School Week*

The return to school is a great opportunity to encourage active travel which can help the concentration of children in class, alleviate congestion at the school gates, help the environment and make everyone happier and healthier! We are therefore encouraging everyone to take part in the following events:

### **Bike to School Week: 27<sup>th</sup> Sep – 1<sup>st</sup> Oct**

[Bike to School Week](#) is a week-long event across the UK to encourage families to cycle and scoot to school. It's a great way to celebrate the huge benefits an active school run brings. All families that fill in the [short online form](#) to tell us their children will take part will automatically be entered into a free prize draw to **win a Frog bike**.

### **Win £5,000 for your school**

The [Rees Jeffreys Road Fund](#) is looking for new ideas on how can we ensure our roads and streets deliver a better outcome for all of us and square up to the challenges of the next 50 years. What is your idea? How does it work? Who will it benefit? Send us your idea and you could win £5,000 for your creative vision. Find out more [here](#).

### *Rotary Club "Boxes of Hope"*

We will be supporting Harlow Rotary Club by spreading a little happiness with their "Boxes of Hope" appeal. We are asking families if they could decorate and fill a shoebox with gifts and mark on a

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label the age and gender the box would be appropriate for. Ideas for filling your box can be found [here](#). Please see the following [link](#) for further information on the scheme. Once you have completed your box, please send these into school for collection by our contact at the Rotary Club.

## **REMINDERS**

### *Class e-mails*

The use of class e-mails has been working very well and we will be continuing these. Parents can use these to address any concerns they have, short messages or notify teachers of a change of collection arrangements. The format used is: Year1@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk . You will need to change the number to the class you require and use EYFS@fawbert etc for Reception. Absence related and other e-mails should be addressed to admin@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk to save you receiving a call regarding these.

### *Change of contact details*

If you or other contact members have changed mobiles or moved over the summer break, please ensure that we have these updated details to ensure we are able to contact you in an emergency and be in line with our safeguarding policy.

### *Charging of meals*

School dinners are now £2.20 per day for those children in Years 3-6. All dinners need to be pre-ordered in advance by completing our on-line form issued fortnightly. Please could you ensure that orders are completed by the deadlines set as we are unable to add any late additions so sandwiches will need to be provided for the weeks missed until a new order can be submitted. Suppliers are now finding it increasingly difficult to get their stocks and this is now impacting everyone. Any orders that are changed on the day to sandwiches will be charged for.

### *Parking*

We are still receiving complaints from local residents of parents blocking their driveway and garages which are causing them to be late for their school drop-off/collections, work or appointments. We would therefore be grateful if you could be considerate in your parking around the area. There are two local car parks near the High Street which are free of charge for the first hour, a disused garage area in Chippingfield and also a limited amount of parking permits for the 3PR scheme that the school operate using the High Street car park that can be used.

**Date**

**Event**