



Fawbert & Barnard's Newsletter

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Welcome to our latest newsletter.

UPDATE ON EVENTS HELD

Swimming Gala

We took part in a very successful swimming gala on Friday 21 April 2023 and the children achieved a selection of medals. Our Y3 and Y4 team were ranked second overall, with the Year 5 and Year 6 team ranked third overall. Well done to all that took part and thank you to the volunteers who assisted us. Further details can be found on our festivals page [here](#).



Coronation Event

Despite the weather, F&B had a great day celebrating ahead of the King's Coronation. Lots of activities took place within classes followed by a special school dinner. In the afternoon all classes came together and celebrated with a street style party. We would like to thank everyone for their kind donations of food for this event.

Bus Learning Space

We are pleased to announce that we have secured permission to install our bus on our main field to create an extra learning space. We are now looking at having a hard standing fitted. If you are able to assist us with this project, either with manual help or donating supplies, please see our website [\(link\)](#) for more details.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sports Day

Our sports day will take place on Monday 12 June 2023 with KS2 events taking place in the morning and KS1 in the afternoon. We have a reserve date of Wednesday 5 July 2023 should we need to cancel due to weather.

Please also see our diary of events coming up below.

REMINDERS

Contributions for school visits/activities

We strive to provide the best education possible for all the children and schedule visits and other activities to enhance their learning. These often provide a valuable experience that some children would otherwise not have the opportunity to access. Some of these events do involve a cost either for just transport to the venue (such as swimming to enable them to meet the national curriculum 25 metre requirement) or an all inclusive day trip, where we ask parents for a voluntary contribution. We are aware of people struggling with the cost of living, but this is also impacting the school where we are experiencing huge rises in fuel costs, resources and everyday essentials which all need to come from our school budget. To assist us with balancing our school budget to provide these extras, we would be very grateful if all could contribute in some way to the costs requested where possible as detailed in each visit letter. If you are experiencing any financial constraints please do come and speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team so we could arrange an alternative, installments, later payment timeframe or part-payment contribution. Unfortunately, there may be times when trips will need to be cancelled due to lack of contributions received.

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Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club is growing and is enjoyed by those attending. Sessions start at 7:30 am each morning and children arriving before 8:00 am are provided with a breakfast of toast and cereals that are available before being taken to class at 8:40 am to start their day. We still have availability and you can sign up for a single day or a week, whichever suits your needs. Odd one-off occasions may also be accommodated provided 24 hours notice is given.

If you are struggling with the cost of living, let us provide your child with their breakfast by sending them in one morning a week to try our service and have them ready to learn.

For more information and a registration form please e-mail Jay Hutchinson at office@fawbert-barnards.essex.sch.uk.

HSLO parent drop-in sessions

Kim Douglas is our Home-School support liaison officer and is available to all families seeking this service. She holds regular drop-in sessions with parents when required. If you are seeking help, please leave your name and number with our office staff and your details will be forwarded to her to contact you directly.



Lost Property

Our lost property basket can be found in the main hall lobby which can be accessed at the beginning and end of each day to reclaim any lost items. Any articles left at the end of the term will be disposed of.

There is also a pre-loved tub of outgrown uniform where you are welcome to help yourself or exchange items.



FORTHCOMING NOTICE

We are pleased to announce that we have managed to secure a booking for our whole school pantomime. We will be visiting Harlow Playhouse again on Friday 8 December 2023 for their afternoon performance. We will be writing to you with more details and to collect deposits in September when we return for the new Academic year.

Dates for your diary

29 May—2 June 2023	Half Term
5 & 6 June 2023	School closed—INSET Days
7 June 2023	Pupils’ return to school
12 June 2023	Sports Day—KS2 morning starting 9:30 am KS1 afternoon starting at 1:15 pm
ADVANCE NOTICE	
5 July 2023	Reserve Sports Day (if needed due to cancellation of main event)
20 July 2023	End of Term BBQ

