



Fawbert & Barnard's Newsletter

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Welcome to our latest newsletter.

SCHOOL UPDATES

Weekly Achievements

Attendance

We are pleased to announce our attendance winners since our last newsletter:

Week ending	Overall attendance	Best Class
21 October 2022	99%	EYFS
Half-term House winners	98.28%	Barnard

TT Rockstars / Numbots

We are proud to announce the following winners over the past week:

Week ending	Class TT Rockstars	Individual TT Rockstars	Class Numbots	Individual Numbots
21 October 2022	Year 5	Lilly-Rose M, Y5	Year 1	Charlotte, Y1

Tokens

Our half-term winners for tokens is Moore House. They will be celebrating by attending the film festival at Cineworld, Edinburgh Way on Thursday 10 November 2022. Congratulations to you all and we hope you enjoy the film.

Update on Events Held

Volunteers

Thank to all our volunteers who have now attended KCSIE 2022 safeguarding annual training. We are very pleased that several people will be supporting reading in different classes this year. We also have several volunteers who will be helping with the sporting events too.

Parking

A meeting has been held with Essex Highways and consideration is being given to extending the railings outside school and making the zebra crossing more visible. A decision will be made in March 23 and if agreement is given, the work would be carried out during 2023/24.

School Lunches

Prefects have been busy asking different pupils what they think of the school dinners. The pupils either said they like school lunches and the puddings or they like some of the school lunches. The favourite dishes are pizza, chicken pie and roast. All but one child said there was a good choice of puddings. Those having packed lunches were asked if they have a piece of fruit and about 2/3rds asked, said they do. Well over half said they have a biscuit and quite a few said they bring chocolate or sweets. As a healthy school, chocolate and sweets should not be included in the children's packed lunches.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Anti-Bullying Week

We will be addressing anti-bullying week throughout school from 14-18 November 2022 in classes and in assemblies. On Friday 18 November 2022 children can wear odd socks to school for this event.

Coffee Morning

It would be lovely to see you all on Thursday 17 November 2022 at 9:00 am in our Hall for a cup of coffee and a chat, this is your opportunity to have your say about things which matter to you.

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Clubs

We try to offer a selection of clubs so that children can benefit from the enjoyment of learning something new. Unfortunately, this half term we have had a huge number of children who have signed up to school run clubs, who then have very irregular attendance or who decide to stop coming. All our clubs have huge waiting lists, but it is very time consuming to confirm children are no longer coming and approach those on the waiting list. It is also disappointing for those teachers and volunteers, who give up their time to run the clubs.

Therefore, from the spring term children will be able to sign up for only one school run, free club but of course can sign up for as many paid clubs as they like. This way we hope to be able to offer a club to more children and ensure that children attend as it will be their first choice of club.

School Council Events

Poppies will be for sale at the beginning and end of the school day along with a few other items by the school council during the week of 7th November. All proceeds will go to the British Legion Poppy Appeal. On 11th November we will hold our remembrance service where children and staff are welcome to bring in any small change they have for the appeal.

Children in Need will be organised by the school councillors, this year we will be SPOTacular, where children can wear anything spotty for the day, but donations can be made directly to the children in need [JustGiving](#) gift aid page. Your child is welcome to take part even if you cannot afford to donate.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Calling all Harlow Children & Young People!

Robert Halfon MP is inviting all children and young people from Harlow and the villages to submit their design for this year's Christmas card competition. This year's theme is 'Rudolph in Harlow' so designs should feature Rudolph visiting your favourite place in Harlow and the villages. The winner will have their design printed on cards which will be sent by Robert this Christmas. The winner and their runners up will also be invited to meet Robert and see the Houses of Parliament in the New Year.

Designs must be submitted by Friday 18th November 2022 by email to halfon4harlow@roberthalfon.com. All entries must include the child's name, age and school. Every child is eligible to enter the competition once and designs must be A4 in size. Good luck!

REMINDERS

Panto

Thank you to all of those who have made payment for our forthcoming pantomime. This has been heavily subsidised by the Friends to reduce the cost for all. Please ensure that any outstanding payment is made by Monday 7 November 2022 as we are due to pay our final invoice. To be in line with the other TMAT schools those not paying for this event will be unable to attend and will be required to be in school. This visit is being classed as a non-curriculum visit as stated in the TMAT Charging and Remissions Policy.

Collection of Children

To be in line with the other TMAT schools we would like to confirm that siblings from Year 8 and above are able to collect KS2 children from our school if parents wish. However, we ask for written or e-mail permission notification at least 24 hours beforehand detailing the siblings name(s) collecting. Emails can be sent to the class e-mail addresses.

Whilst we realise that sometimes the end of the day collections change and parents get caught in traffic or delayed, but please could you give us a little more notification rather than 3:00 pm calls so we can make sure that the teacher receives this information before dismissing children.

Home-School Support 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.

Fundraising whilst shopping

There are a number of ways that you can help raise funds for the school whilst shopping on-line or by joining our school lottery. Here is how:

- ◆ Join our [School Lottery](#) – This is open to all families, friends, neighbours, work colleagues etc
- ◆ Love Shopping? Each time you shop through [Easyfundraising](#), you can create donations for our school by

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selecting us as your charity.

- ◆ Shop AmazonSmile at <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1176035-0>, and Amazon donates to Friends Of Fawbert & Barnard's, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is also available in the Amazon Shopping App to all Amazon customers using an iPhone or Android phone. When supporters have activated AmazonSmile in the app, every eligible purchase will automatically generate a donation for our organisation. Go to "Settings" in your app's menu to activate AmazonSmile.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
7 November 2022	Flu Immunisations—complete on-line consent forms before 3/11/22
11 November 2022	Friends School Disco—details to be issued
17 November 2022	Parents' coffee morning (9:00 am)

