

Fawbert & Barnard's Newsletter

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Welcome to our latest newsletter.

SCHOOL UPDATES

Weekly Achievements

Attendance

We have celebrated the following attendance winners:

Week ending	Overall attendance Best Class	
4 December 2020	100%	Year 1
27 November 2020	99.27%	Reception

TT Rockstars / Numbots

Our weekly winners have been:

Week ending:	Class TT Rockstars	Individual TT Rockstar	Class Numbots	Individual Numbots
4 December 2020	Year 4	XCharlotte, Y4	Year 2	Alex, Y1
27 November 2020	Year 3	Annie, Y6	Year 1	Buzz, Y1

Staffing

Mrs Higgs has decided to resign her position as SENCO with effect from the spring term, but she will remain in her class teacher role teaching Year 1 alongside Mrs Carroll-Lane. For the next two terms Mrs Spearman will lead the provision of SEND and Miss Goodman will be the SENCO assistant, in addition to her class teacher role. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Higgs for the valuable contribution she has made to the school in her role.

Update on Events Held

Young Carers Award

We are pleased to inform you that we have achieved the Bronze Young Carers in Schools Award.

"To achieve our Bronze Award we have demonstrated that we support young carers in many ways, including homework clubs and drop-in sessions with a member of staff who is responsible for this vulnerable group of pupils. Vital information about how to identify young carers is made available to all school staff, and noticeboards and the school webpage let students and their families know where to go for help".

The Young Carers in Schools programme helps primary and secondary schools improve outcomes for young carers and celebrates good practice through the Young Carers in Schools Award.

Blue Peter Award

Congratulations to Daisy in Year 3 on achieving her Blue Peter badge. During the first lockdown she fundraised for the foodbank.



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Pantomime

We had a virtual Pantomime take place on Friday 4 December 2020 where children were able to go to the hall for the first time apart from their lunchtime sessions. The performance was shown to two classes at a time, keeping 2m distance, and we made the hall into a theatre with tiered seating as much as possible, Popcorn was kindly provided for each child from the Friends.

We also had a visit from one of Santa's elves to welcome the children to the show. A fun time was had by all.

Christmas Dinner

Our first Christmas lunch day was a resounding success for EYFS and KS1. The next Christmas lunch is now Monday 14th December for KS2. EYFS and KS1 remember to bring in your sandwiches on this day.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Class Parties / Christmas Jumpers

The class parties are on Tuesday 15th, children can wear Christmas jumpers if they wish and the children will be given a cone of sweets kindly donated by the F & B trustees as we are unable to provide party food.

See our dates for your diary for forthcoming event reminders.

Some Harlow schools have put together a virtual Harlow Schools Carol Service this year. Thank you to all the schools who took part in the readings and prayers. You can join us by clicking on the following link:

https://youtu.be/gIOCB7ob8OM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Essex Family Support Service https://www.community360.org.uk/efss/

Helping families with children age 8 to 19 and low level needs to feel more resilient and happier. Referral by a professional or families themselves families@community360.org.uk 01206 505250 Part of the Essex Child & Family Wellbeing Service. Click here to see their latest family bulletins for your information.

Celebrate Christmas with St Mary's Church, Old Harlow

Christmas services are in Church and online this year so they hope you can join them for one that suits you. See their website for full details of all events - www.stmaryschgate.org.uk

Especially for families, join them on Christmas Eve 1-4pm

The Christingle is a bit different this year. Follow their interactive trail through the Church to discover the Nativity Christmas Story, and pick up your free Christingle bag to make up at home.



Book tickets online www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-marys-church-old-harlow-31128298405 or via the Parish Office (01279 432135)

REMINDERS

<u>TikTok Update Parental Controls with Family Pairing Feature (SWGfL)</u>

TikTok is used by many teenagers and sometimes children younger than that 13 despite its terms and conditions. Using the new Family Pairing feature can allow parents to guide their child's TikTok experience in a safer way. Features include:

Search: Decide what can be searched for. This includes content, users, hashtags, or sounds Screen Time Management: Sets how long your teen can spend on TikTok each day Discoverability: Decide on the account being private (you decide who can see their content) or public

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(anyone can search and view content)

To find out more information about TikTok's Family Pairing feature and to download a helpful poster to share with pupils and parents, go to: https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/tiktok-update-parental-controls-with-family-pairing-feature/

Free School Meals

If you need vouchers for free school meals for the last 3 days of term, please contact the school before 11th December.

Essex County Council will be providing vouchers for over the Christmas period and details will follow of when you can collect these, once we receive more information from them.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
9 December 2020	Christmas dinner for EYFS/Years 1 & 2—Sandwiches required for those not having school dinner and other classes
14 December 2020	Christmas dinner for Years 3-6—Sandwiches required for those not having school dinner and other classes
15 December 2020	Christmas jumper day and afternoon class parties
18 December 2020	Christingle Service School finishes at 1:00 pm
4 & 5 January 2021	INSET Days—School closed to pupils
6 January 2021	Pupils return to school