



# Northside Newsletter

## Important Information for Parents

Barnet council is consulting on changes to the admission arrangements for Barnet community schools. The following changes are being proposed:

1. To give priority for places to children of teaching staff of the school where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made and will be in employment as a teacher at the school when the child starts school.
2. To amend the In-Year admission oversubscription criterion which gives priority to former pupils at the school, restricting this priority to former pupils without a school place that live in the geographical area and have attended the school in the previous 12 months.

The consultation will run until 31 January 2017 and can also be viewed online at <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

We encourage all parents to express their views by taking part in the online survey.

### Tennis Workshops

On Monday some people came in to show us how to play tennis. In the tennis workshop we learned how to take control of the tennis racket and ball. We played tennis with a partner. Our partner was separated from us by a bench and on each side there were hoops. We had to drop the ball and hit it into the hoop. After that we had a rally with our partner and had to hit the ball into the hoop. We all enjoyed it and all of us wanted to have more time to play! By Riya and Nathan in Year 5.

### Passport Assembly

In the creativity passport assembly we were guessing things that members of staff were doing creatively. When we got one right our team got a point. We were surprised at Ms Palmer's music record! By Charley and Leah in 3B.

### Library

The school library will be open for all parents from Nursery to Year 6 every Monday and Wednesday from 3.30 to 4.30. Please come along and choose books with your children. We look forward to seeing you. All welcome to our Library Coffee Morning on 27th January 8.30-9am.

### Reception Class 2017

If your child was born between **1st September 2012** and **31st August 2013** you will need to apply to your home council for a place in a primary school for the 2017/2018 academic year. Guidance documents are available on the Barnet website. You must submit your application online using the [eAdmissions](http://eAdmissions) website. The application process opened online on **1st September 2016** and the closing date for applications is **15th January 2017**. Offers will be posted on **18th April 2017** notifying you of the outcome ([online results](http://online results) will be available in the evening of 18th April).

### Numeracy Information Meetings

Next Friday 20th January we will be holding a Numeracy information meeting open to all KS2 parents from 8.45 to 9.30am. We will be talking about some of the methods we now use in school, demonstrating Mathematics and offering some ideas about how you can help your child at home to improve their numeracy skills. We will then hold a numeracy meeting for KS1 parents on Wednesday 25th January from 8.45 to 9.30am. Don't forget the Reception parent Numeracy meeting on Monday 16th January.

### Free Health and Weight Sessions

Barnet Public Health Team have commissioned Barnet Alive N Kicking to deliver free health and weight management programmes for children, and their parents/carers above a healthy weight in The London Borough of Barnet. You can find all the details of these free sessions on The Parents Noticeboard.

## Reminders

**Nut Free School** A number of children and staff at Northside School have allergies to nuts. In some cases contact with nuts can make them very ill. Therefore our school is a 'Nut Free School'. Please ensure that your child does not bring nuts or nut products to school. For children who have packed lunch please remember that peanut butter sandwiches should be avoided as this can also cause allergic reactions!

**Money** If you need to pay money to the office for any reason please send it into school with your child in their book bag. The correct money should be sent in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name, class, amount enclosed and what the money is for. We will not accept payments in the office.

**Playground Equipment** Please note that the play equipment in the main playground is **not** to be used by the children before or after school. This is to comply with health and safety regulations.

**Uniform** please make sure all uniform is labelled clearly as we have lots of items in the lost property box, none of which have names on!

# 2016/17 Term Dates

Friday 13th January	Reception— Hearing and Vision
Monday 16th January	Bikeability - Year 4 (2 days)
Monday 16th January	9am—Reception Parents Numeracy meeting
Friday 20th January	Year 2 at The Museum of London
Friday 20th January	KS2 Parents Numeracy Meeting
Wednesday 25th January	Pathways Assembly
Wednesday 25th January	KS1 Parents Numeracy Meeting
Thursday 26th January	3P visiting The Tate Britain Museum
Friday 27th January	8.30 –9am Library Coffee Morning
Monday 6th February	Science Week
Monday 6th February	Science Boffins Assembly
Tuesday 7th February	RSPB in school
Wednesday 8th February	Magic Science Day
Wednesday 8th February	Zoo Lab in school
Thursday 9th February	Owl Time in school
Friday 10th February	Dogs Trust in school
Monday 13th February	Half Term
Monday 13th February	Y6 Super SATS Club Mon-Thurs 9am—12pm
Monday 20th February	INSET DAY school closed
Tuesday 21st February	Internet Safety Assembly
Wednesday 22nd February	Pathways Assembly
Thursday 23rd February	Y1 Assembly—9am
Friday 24th February	9am and 2.45pm Parent E-Safety Meetings
Monday 27th February	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Fairytale workshop

## This Week's Achievement Award Winners



<b>Reception</b>	Carter for being really creative and making Barnaby Bear a bag and Luiza for always being helpful and playing nicely with others.
<b>Year 1</b>	Aisha for her hard work in literacy this week and her fantastic independent writing and Yahya for his good work in phonics lessons this week.
<b>Year 2</b>	Fatjon for an amazing illustrated timeline of the events of The Great Fire of London and Sara for superb progress in our place value maths lessons, excellent focus and listening.
<b>Year 3B</b>	Loren for working really hard in numeracy this week calculating unit fractions of amounts and Leah for being independent in class and a good friend to everyone in 3B!
<b>Year 3P</b>	Mergen for excellent work on fractions and Timofey for using his English with Ms. Palmer.
<b>Year 4</b>	Breno for being responsible with his actions and Aziz for being creative in Art.
<b>Year 5</b>	Khushal for an amazing little bull model for homework and Ali for being the first person to complete our times table challenge.
<b>Year 6</b>	Hanying for great revision posters for homework and John for an amazing presentation on The Forbidden City.

**Special birthday wishes to everyone who celebrates a birthday this week:  
Samir in Year 2, Sura in 3P, Otis Year 4, Laiya in Year 5 and Tyrone in Year 6.**



## Class of the Week

Reception



Year 3B



## Challenge Winners

No challenge this week.

## Raffle Winners

The winners of this week's raffle are Antoni in Reception, Dennis in Year 1, Fatjona in Year 2, Kelsiana in 3B, Evan in 3P, Natalie in Year 4, Clive in Year 5 and Jacob in Year 6.

## Attendance

Year 4 had the best attendance this week, with 100% attendance! **Excellent!!!!**

94% of children came to school every day this week. **Well done!**