

# Barnham Primary School

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**Successful Learners**



**Confident Individuals**

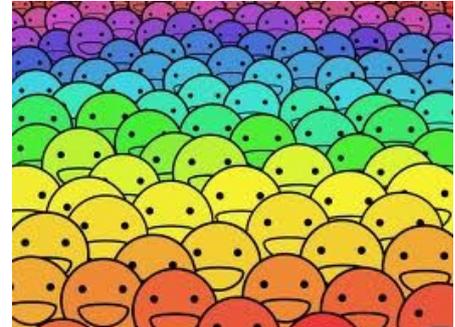


**Responsible Citizens**

## Barnham Pupils Shine

Welcome to our November Newsletter and I hope that it finds you well and healthy. As we move towards the mid point of this current half term I wanted to provide you with some updates as to how we are moving forward as a school community as well as update you on a few key projects for these coming weeks. As always, please remember that you can raise any questions or queries you may have by contacting our office or staff team using their year group specific email addresses or the office@barnhamprimaryschool.co.uk email address.

## November 2020



**Our Mission:** For all our children to be the best that they can be.

### Successful Learners

Thank you for all your support, perseverance and hard work in supporting the children with their learning journeys. The children are making steady steps of progress forward but it is not a journey without it's challenges and the staff team can't always predict what learning will stick and what needs to be returned to and over learned. The pathway is a winding one and it's going to take time for everyone to be working at the levels they could be. However, we are enjoying the challenge and so proud of the effort and hard work of the children. They are showing great grit and determination and this is brilliant to see. This half term we continue to focus on filling any learning and knowledge gaps that are there as well as continuing to develop the learning stamina of the children. By the end of term we'll hopefully continue to see steady progress being made and in the new year will be assessing the children again so that we can adapt and amend learning plans for moving forward.

### Responsible Citizens

I wanted to let you know that our attendance to date has been very positive so far with almost 97% attendance overall. This is in line with last year, and bearing in mind the impact of Covid, I am pleased that we are maintaining this level. Increased hygiene measures across the school are helping reduce general illness and the children continue to be fantastic in adhering to protective measures. Thank you for all your support here.

In preparation for the festive period we are planning for activities to take place in the final week of term which will help celebrate this time of year. These celebrations will include decoration of the school Christmas Tree, decoration of the classrooms and school, our annual Christmas School Meal and Christmas Jumper Day, Barnham's Got Talent, as well as fund raising for the Foodbank at Bognor. We'll continue to keep you updated as to what and how will be taking place so that everyone is prepared and ready to go.

### Confident Individuals

Since we have returned to school in September, I cannot emphasise enough how impressed we have all been with the confidence of the children to throw themselves into their studies and friendships. The school remains a vibrant, energised place to learn and the children have returned with a smile, a skip in their step and a desire to push themselves. Yes, like all of us, there are days when the last thing they want to do is push themselves further and harder but these days are small in number and pass soon enough. What has also been an absolute delight to see are the new friendships being formed as the children mix and play in their bubbles. Relationships are being developed that may not have been there before and the children are enjoying learning more about their classmates which in turn is bringing a positive community identity to their class. It is a wonderful thing to see.

### Covid Protective Measures

Our approach remains cautious and focused on reducing and restricting contact between staff and children, staff and staff, and children and children from outside of their bubbles. We continue to review our Risk Assessment on a weekly basis and when national guidance is released and update as required, however, our tone will remain cautious with a focus on adjustments being only made to further protect. If you have any questions or queries about the measures in place please contact me via my email address head@barnhamprimaryschool.co.uk.