



Barnham Primary School

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Successful Learners



Confident Individuals



Responsible Citizens

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Welcome to our newsletter for October and welcome to Autumn; wow, what a difference a few weeks make. As we move towards the half term, it really does reinforce how quickly time passes and how important it is that we at BPS, make the most of the time that we have with the children to help them progress academically but also (and more importantly) to progress as good people. Our school community is a rich and supportive one, and we'd like to thank you all for helping make all families feel welcomed and included. Being connected helps us as a school stay strong and achieve our goals over being successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens.

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

Successful Learners

Already the children are rising to the challenges of new and interesting learning experiences with enjoyment and perseverance. Whilst the curriculum here at BPS is planned in preparation for delivery, it has the space to be able to adapt to meet the needs of all children and it has been wonderful to see these adaptations as the children have embarked on their learning journeys. One of the simplest of ways you can help at home is by asking the question, 'What have you learnt today?', and dig a little deeper so that the children have space to explain their learning that has taken place rather than just the activity used as the vehicle for the learning. If the children can explain their learning then it means things are becoming embedded and that is good news as they move forward.

Confident Individuals

The children have made such a fantastic start to the new year, which we are very pleased about. But, like all things in life, sometimes things might be quite plain sailing and so we thank you for all your support in helping to support the children as they embrace the exciting challenges of school life. Please do reach out if you need any help or guidance and remember to make use of some of the links we have on our website's 'Information for Families' page which can be useful.

Whole School Dates

Face to Face Parents Evenings - 16th and 17th October 3.30 to 6pm

Inset Day 30th October - Curriculum Development (School closed for pupils)

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality remain a vital part of the learning jigsaw for our children. This therefore means there will continue to be tighter regulation regarding absence and this could impact upon you when requesting absence for holidays or other similar activities. It will continue to be less and less likely that I am going to be able to agree to such absences. Please continue to share with me any requests that you have so that we can work together to find a solution. It is also important to continue to encourage the children to keep on going and to come to school, even if they are feeling tired or a little under the weather. We need to work together to continue to build their learning stamina and capacity as the children move through the year.

Responsible Citizens

Thank you for your continued support in helping to reduce issues and problems on the local roads around school. Remember, if you do witness illegal or unsafe behaviours then please do contact Operation Crackdown <http://www.operationcrackdown.org/> to register the issue.

Safeguarding

Remember that our website has all previous On-Line Safety newsletters that have been emailed out. The newsletters provide useful advice and guidance as we all try to navigate through this complex area in order to support our children in staying safe. Please do speak any members of the staff team if you have any questions or queries, or require any support.