



# Barnham Primary School

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**Successful Learners**



**Confident Individuals**



**Responsible Citizens**

## Barnham Pupils Shine

Welcome back and welcome to our first newsletter of the Summer Term. We all hope that you have had a marvellous break and not indulged too much in yummy, lovely, chocolatey eggs/ snacks. The term ahead is again a busy and activity packed one with what many exciting learning opportunities for the children. Please do not hesitate to speak with your child's classteacher or Year Leader if you have any questions or queries and we look forward to a fantastic few weeks ahead.

## April 2018



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

### Successful Learners

As you are aware, we have adapted the way that we teach spelling over the past term. These changes stemmed from some support and guidance we received from Hampshire County Council and have now been implemented across the school. I wanted to update you and let you know that we feel that there has been a positive impact across the school. The children now have a better understanding as to the strategies which can be used to help learn spellings, as well as having a more proactive response when faced with a word that they do not know how to spell. The current improvements we have in place will remain as we move through the rest of the academic year and we would like to thank you for all your continued help and support.

### Responsible Citizens

As you may have seen from the signs outside of school and the letter that was emailed out to you all before Easter, Caroline, our School Crossing Patrol Officer is going to be using a Body Camera. This is part of our ongoing improvements, in order to achieve a safe zone around the school, as well as to reduce issues relating to inconsiderate parking behaviour. As we move into the summer term and with lighter and hopefully warmer evenings ahead, anything that you can do when traveling to and from school to reduce congestion around Elm Grove by parking further away and walking in, would be greatly appreciated. Can I also remind us all not to park in Elm Grove (the private road) and Oriel Close. Thank you for your continued support with this.

### Confident Individuals

One of our most valued group of supporters here at Barnham, is our group of volunteers who come into school on a weekly basis in order to hear readers or to support in the classroom. This support is absolutely vital for us and helps our children enormously. As we move towards the new academic year, we are looking to recruit an even larger team of volunteers to take us into 2018 - 2019, and so invite any of you who would like to volunteer with us to contact the school office and we can begin to set the wheels in motion. If you would like to learn more about what being a volunteer means and the required process which is in place to ensure all checks have been implemented before you begin, then we are holding a Volunteer Open House on Monday 21st May at 2.30 to explain more. If you would like to attend or if you would like further information but can't attend this meeting, then please contact the office at the email address above and we will get back to you in due course.

### A Big Thank you!

We would like to thank Many Hands, and all of you for the fundraising that has taken place over the past year. With decreasing budgets for schools, any financial support that we receive is absolutely invaluable and means that we can complete projects which we would not normally be able to. One projects that has just been completed is our new blinds in the hall. These replace our dusty tired curtains and will make a huge improvement to the use of the hall. Thank you once again.