



# Barnham Primary School

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**Successful Learners**



**Confident Individuals**



**Responsible Citizens**

## Barnham Pupils Shine

Is it true? No it can't be! Oh gosh, I think it is... we are actually past the mid way point of the school year and soon we will find momentum building, or running away with us, as we move towards the Summer. Each school year seems to go quicker and quicker (or it might well be my increasing age), and before you know it you are wondering where the past 3 terms went. For all of the team here at BPS, one thing that doesn't pass you by is the fantastic smiles and energy of the children. I am really pleased with what has been and is still yet to be achieved.

## March 2018



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

### Successful Learners

As we reach the mid point in the year, we have been analysing the progress that has been made by the children. There have been some wonderful personal stories of success and achievement that we are really proud of; from developing confidence in reading, to knowing more timetables or number facts; from being able to spell with greater precision to speaking with greater clarity and depth when involved in class discussions. The analysis is also proving that as a school we are heading in exactly the right direction to meet our progress goals for the year. This is great news and is down to the hard work of the staff team, you and the children. House points to us all!!

### Responsible Citizens

Thank you with your ongoing support with regards to collection and drop off of the children when visiting school. As shared in an email to you all in February, we are making positive inroads (again, apologies for the pun) but need to continue to behave in a considerate and positive manner. I will be writing to you soon to share our ongoing plans with you including that Caroline (our School Crossing Officer) will be wearing a Body Camera in order to help with the identification and prosecution of dangerous drivers and illegal/ unlawful parking. The funds for the camera have been provided through donations from families as well as some fundraising through our PTA, Many Hands, and will hopefully help to provide a safer traffic zone outside of the school.

### Confident Individuals

Just before the half term break in February, we welcomed to the school the Regional Director for the South of England and Director of Quality, Curriculum and Assessment for the Ormiston Academies Trust. As part of our developing relationship with Ormiston Six Villages Academy, we were offered expertise and experience to help provide an external view/ snapshot of our school. The feedback that has provided has been really powerful and has resulted in some changes being made to the way we are implementing our School Improvement Plans as well as the way we present our outward facing documents. One key area that we can all work on together, is the children being able to talk confidently about how they can improve their work. Children talking with precision about their next steps in maths, reading, spelling and writing can hugely support their ongoing learning journey. This subtle change can, we believe, have far reaching impact and should hopefully help us continue to improve the learning outcomes of the school, which will turn help us help the children be the best they can be.