



Barnham Primary School

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Successful Learners



Confident Individuals



Responsible Citizens

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Welcome back to you all or a great big hello if you are new to our school. The whole staff team here at Barnham are excited about the year ahead. We are looking forward to working with you all as we continue towards our goal to help build Successful Learners, Confident Individuals and Responsible Citizens, and we cannot wait to see what we can all achieve in the months ahead. Please do not hesitate to speak with one of the team if you have any questions, queries or clarifications about your child's learning journey. Here's to another great year.

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Successful Learners

Last year was a very successful year for our children and we were delighted with their progress. We were able to achieve some very good results across the school and we are very much looking forward to this year and seeing how we can all progress further. As shared in June's newsletter, we will have adapted the timetable by bringing forward our lunchtime by 20 minutes from noon until 1pm (all other times remain the same). Our reason for this is to ensure our children are fuelled earlier in the day in order to be able to hit the afternoon with all the energy they need; as well as to increase the time we set aside for the foundation curriculum subjects, which primarily take place in the afternoon. At Barnham we believe in a broad and balanced curriculum and want to ensure we have the time to provide that. We believe that this decision is an exciting shift and we are looking forward to observing the positive outcomes for our children that we think they will achieve.

As we settle back into the routine of school life and all that this brings, please do speak with your child's class teacher if you wish to share information about your child, ask for support or to seek a better understanding of Barnham. The beginning or end of the day can work well for these discussions, but if it is something more confidential, or something that requires more time, then it is best to book an appointment with the teacher so that more space and time can be provided. This can be done with them directly or through the school office.

Responsible Citizens

It has been a busy summer here at the school with a variety of projects and works going on in order to further improve Barnham. This has included the corridors and classrooms in Years 5 and 6 which have been redecorated and painted throughout and the installation of a new boiler and heating system for the whole school, which has included new heaters in the Hall.

In light of our return, can I remind you to all be considerate and mindful of the needs of our neighbours. The streets have been considerably quieter for them during what would normally be drop off and pick up times, and so as we return, please could you make sure that driveways are not blocked and that we are aware of our impact upon the local community when arriving and leaving the school.

Confident Individuals

It is great to see so many of our children arrive at school full of energy and enthusiasm for the day ahead as they enter the school grounds. Could those of you who have children who scoot or cycle remind the children to ensure that they walk their bikes and scooters down the path, and that all children use the path to enter and exit the school site and not the road. We had many near misses last year on both the path, due to bikes and scooters; and on the road, due to children using it to arrive or leave school. Thank you.