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Spotlight

To our new starters: don't forget to get your orders of uniform in – alternatively we have a selection of second hand available here for just £1 per item.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Y1 – 4 to Aerodrome**
 - 16th July – Stanstead Day Trip
- * **FOBBS BBF CAMPOUT & BBQ**
 - 17th July from 15.30 – Please make sure all food orders are sent to Mrs Whitaker.
- * **Oak R Graduation**
 - 21st July – 14.00 to 15.00
- * **Leavers Service**
 - 22nd July at 9.00am – all staying at Barley all day.
- * **End Of Term**
 - 23rd July – EYFS & Y1 to finish at 12.30 and Y2, 3 and 4 finish at 12.45pm.

“Living life in all it’s fullness” – John 10

A message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week it has been across the federation!

This week, we enjoyed our annual Transition Day, which is always such a special occasion for our children as they get a little taste of their next year group, classroom, teachers and teaching assistants. I absolutely loved visiting every classroom and seeing both children and staff so happy, engaged and enjoying their time together. There was such a calm atmosphere across the federation, and it was lovely to see the excitement on the children's faces as they spent time with their new teachers, teaching assistants and classmates.

A special thank you to everyone at Barley for making our new Year 2 children feel so welcome. I know they had a wonderful morning and really appreciated the warm welcome they received.

I hope everyone had a truly memorable and fantastic day, I know all of our teaching staff certainly did, and they are already looking forward to welcoming the children back in September!

Oak Class have had an incredibly busy and exciting week. They enjoyed a wonderful seaside-themed day, which concluded with a fantastic Punch and Judy performance that Year 1 and Preschool also joined to watch. The children also explored and learned about what seaside holidays were like in the past and enjoyed comparing them with the seaside today.

EYFS also had a wonderful trip to Hay Green Farm in Therfield, where they had the opportunity to feed the cows and weigh the sheep, a very exciting experience and one that I know the children will remember for a long time.

We were also delighted to welcome two lovely students from KJAR this week for their work experience placement. Thank you to Annaliese and Elsie for all of your help across the federation. We hope you enjoyed your time at BBF and wish you all the very best for the future.

Although the end of term is fast approaching, we still have lots of lovely events to look forward to next week:

- Monday 13th July – Apple Class Assembly, 2.40pm
- Tuesday 14th July – New to Nursery and Reception Information Meeting, 2.00pm
- Tuesday 14th July – Year 3 Zoolab Rainforest Session at Margaret House, 2.00pm
- Wednesday 15th July – Mini EYFS Sports Morning with Preschool at Barkway, 9.00am–10.30am, parents and carers welcome
- Thursday 16th July – Years 1–4 Stansted Aerodrome Trip
- Friday 17th July – FOBBS Camp Out and BBQ at Barley

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Miss Mière

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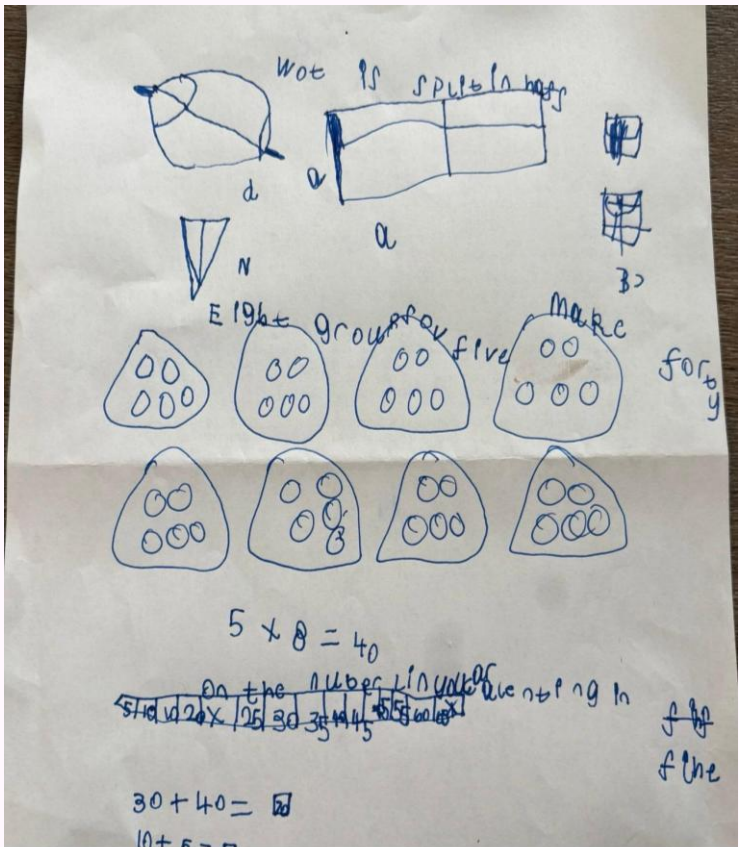
Stars of the Week

Nursery

This week Hallie is our shining star! Hallie has been trying incredibly hard with her phonics recently!

She has been carefully practicing her letter formation and even starting to sound out words using newly learnt digraphs.

We are all super proud of how hard Hallie is working. Well done!



Reception

This week's Star of the Week goes to Elsie. Elsie consistently tries hard in everything she does and is a fantastic learner. She always demonstrates great learning behaviours and is a great role model to her friends.

Elsie is always kind to her friends, offering help whenever it is needed and showing a caring nature every day. She is a caring and cheerful child who brightens the classroom with her kindness and helpful attitude. Keep shining Elsie!



Year 1

This week our shining star is Henry for his effort in Maths. Henry has been growing in confidence week on week in Maths and is always keen to attempt the extra challenge.

After completing his Maths homework at home, Henry chose to make his own sheet as well! His work shows excellent understanding of our recent multiplication and addition units. Well done Henry!

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Stars of the Week

Year 2

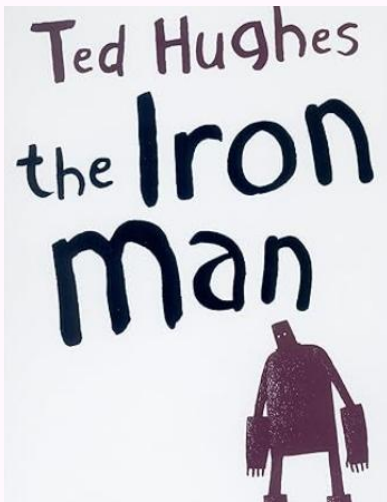
This week, the star of the week in Year 2 is Maisie for her fabulous work in English this week, particularly her focus on using contractions correctly in her writing this week. It is a fantastic skill to be able to apply what you have learnt recently in your work.

Well done Maisie!



Year 3

Alice is our superstar this week. Alice innovated a fabulous ending to the story Iron Man by Ted Hughes. She used conjunctions, prepositions and adverbs and took her time over her presentation. Her writing was a joy to read. Mrs Porter is exceptionally proud of Alice's writing and her wonderful imagination.



Year 4

This week, our star of the week is Reign. We have been working on coordinates this week and Reign has been an absolute superstar. As well as grasping the concept quickly, Reign has been able to explain it to other children in the class, helping me with the teaching!
Well done Reign!



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Stars of the Week

Sports Star

This week Lorena is our PE shining star!

If you all had all been in our rounders tournament you would understand why!

She can hit the rounders ball so far even Usain Bolt couldn't have got it back in time. She has learnt all the rules and uses them to her advantage. So impressed with her. Well done Lorena!



Science Star

This week all of year 3 are stars of the week. The children worked collaboratively to carry out an investigation using magnets and paperclips. The children made predictions, recorded their answers and created neat tables in their science books.

Well done Beech Class for your scientific predictions, observations and recordings.



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Happy Birthday

A big **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Dolly who is celebrating her Birthday this week!

We hope you have a fantastic time filled with fun and the things you enjoy the most!



This weeks activities

Oak Class

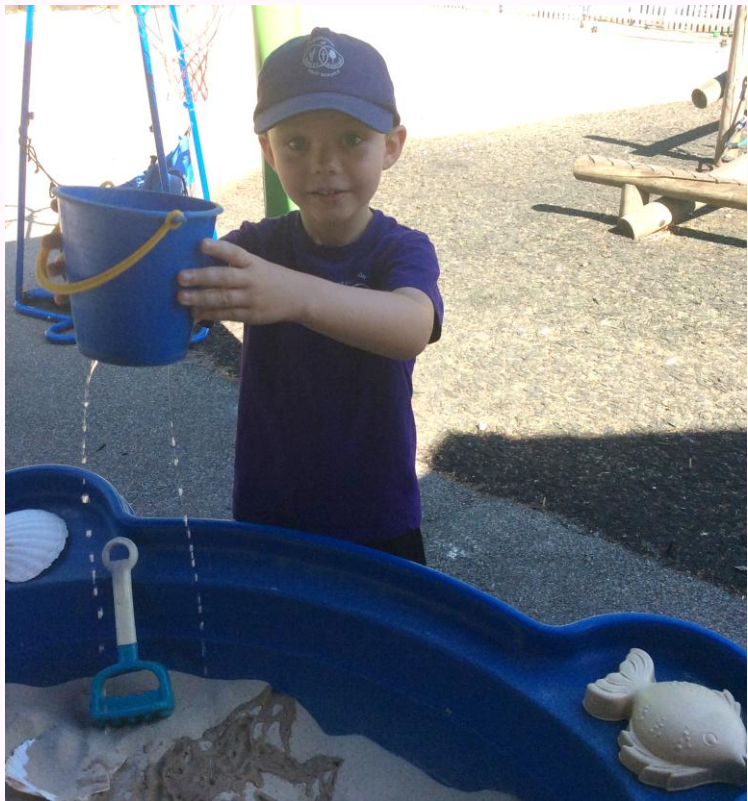
Our EYFS children have been enjoying a range of exciting beach-themed activities this week, combining fun with lots of valuable learning opportunities.

In maths, the children explored addition and subtraction through our ice cream activities, using colourful scoops to solve number problems and practise their counting skills. The children loved making their own “mathematical ice creams” while developing their confidence with numbers.

There was also plenty of sensory play as the children explored water beads, describing how they felt and building their fine motor skills through scooping, pouring, and sorting

Creative imaginations came to life as the children designed and built impressive sand castles outdoors, working together to create seaside-inspired structures.

The children were also lucky enough to watch a Punch and Judy show that was fully funded by FOBB's, thank you FOBB's for this great learning experience!



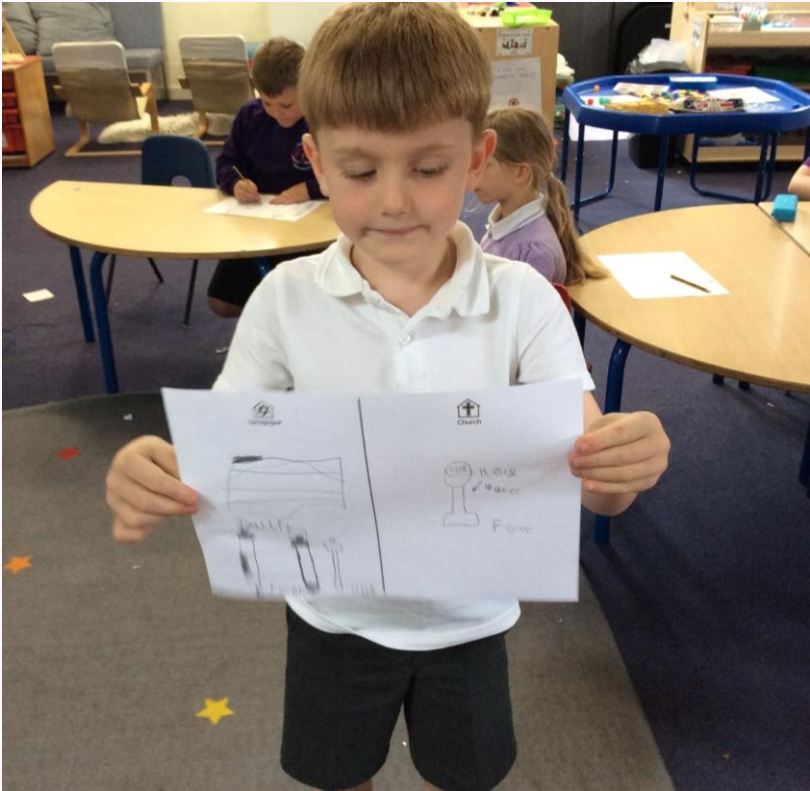
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Apple Class

Apple class have been learning about sacred places in RE and have looked at synagogues, churches and mosques. The children compared sacred objects they would find in a church and a synagogue and then enjoyed finding out about Muslim traditions for visiting a mosque.

Vincent remembered that at times of important festivals such as Eid, some Muslims " sleep in the mosque to always stay with God". Lexi remembered what we learnt about the holy book, the Qur'an, "They do not put the book on the floor because it is holy." Louis remembered that some Muslim people "pray 5 times a day". Finley remembered that when visiting a mosque, Muslim people "took their shoes off because it is holy and they don't want the floor to get dirty".

The children loved looking at images of different mosques and Hunter thought "It looks like a palace, like a castle".



This weeks activities

Beech Class

Year 3 carried out a scientific investigation to find out which magnet had the strongest non-contact magnetic force. They tested different magnets using paper clips and recorded their results in a table.



This weeks activities

Sycamore Class

In Year 4, we are currently preparing for our end of year service and leavers' events.

The children have written their own leavers' song that they are currently perfecting as well as creating beautiful memory boxes.

We are looking forward to sharing it all with you on 22nd July at our Leavers' Service and Tea in the Gazebo which follows straight after the service.



Summer Savings

This Summer the Government is cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on family days out — from cinema and theatre tickets to attractions, and children's meals out. Less to pay, more summer to enjoy.

To find out more please follow the link:
[https://summersavings.gov.uk/?es_c=A81B5D1AE5DB9B76B387FE713DEAA57B&es_cl=4B5792677EA94279E590705CE261C46A&es_id=ph7%
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Forms Reminder

This is a reminder for those who haven't already sent us your completed BBF Pupil Allergy Management form:

On 16th June we sent out, via email, our new 'allergy management' form which would allow our trained staff members to administer Piriton (antihistamine medication) or an Adrenaline Auto-Injection (AAI / JEXT EpiPen) if there was a medical emergency regarding your child on our school site that required either of these medications. The email was followed by hard copies going home in book bags on Monday.

At Barley Barkway Federation school the health and safety of all our pupils is paramount, and anaphylactic reactions can be fatal which is why it's so important for us to know whether we may be able to medically assist your child using our medications that are stored on both school sites.

If you require another copy or have any questions regarding this form being sent home either via email or a hard copy please contact the school offices:

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