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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers,

You are warmly invited to come to the drop-in morning on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February, from 8.30am to 9.15am, where you can view your children's work in their classroom.

Please note additional dates for the diary:

On **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May** the school will be closed as we will be used as a **Polling Station**.

**Year 3 Parents** please change the date on your calendars for the Year 3 **Class Assembly**. It will no longer take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> February; it will now take place on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March**.

Barnet are canvassing the views of residents. If you would like to have your say please see the section below titled Barnet Council and follow the link provided.

*Lisa Walker*

**Congratulations** to Rocco Hughes, Ben Edgar, Eden Kessel, Alex McNicholas, Kameron Estabrook-Clay and Dylan Manajanov who were recorded in the Golden Book for their outstanding work!

**Congratulations** also go to Kayah Patel who passed her Prarambhik Dance Exam in First Division and to Lakesha Patel who passed her Violin grade 3 exam.

*Our SEAL theme for this half term is "Going for Goals"  
'Everyone makes mistakes, so instead of getting angry with myself, I try to do better.'*

## SWIMMING LESSONS

If you have not already returned your swimming slip and donation, could you please do so asap.

## SCHOOL MEALS

The cost of school lunches for the first half of the Spring Term is £62.35 (from 5<sup>th</sup> January to 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016). The amount for the second half term is £60.20 (from 22<sup>nd</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> April). The total for this term is therefore £122.55. Payment must be made in advance; if you wish to pay weekly, it is £10.75 per week, payable in advance on Monday morning for that week. Please send your school lunch payments to the school office as soon as possible (cash or cheque payable to Courtland

School). You may also pay by card to the LBB Catering Services on 020 8359 5055 and they will reimburse the school. Please check your current balance with Mrs Hall.

### **SQUAD FOOTBALL MATCH**

There is a football match for the squad on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January. Please remember to bring your football kit into school.

### **SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS**

We are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers again. They will be giving them from the middle of next week. Please ask for them when you do your shopping, and post them in the box outside the School Office. We hope to use the vouchers to order extra equipment for the playground. All will be gratefully received! Thank you.

### **BARNET AUTISM FREE SCHOOL**

Courtland has been sent information about this new school in the borough. They are holding a Parent Consultation Morning on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 10am. If anybody would like information on this school, please come and talk to Mrs Kikuchi.

### **PTA NEWS**

A PTA meeting will be held at 2.15 pm next Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> January, in the ICT room at school. On the agenda so far: review of the Christmas Fair and of all forthcoming events for the year. You are all welcome to come along; we would very much love to see new parents/carers!

### **CINEMA EVENING:**

There will be a fun cinema evening in school for both Infants and Juniors on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. More details on this to come soon, watch this space! Many thanks PTA.

### **COLD WEATHER**

As the temperature has now dropped, please can you ensure your child wears a coat to school, and remind them to wear it during all playtimes. They are welcome to wear hats and gloves too if they wish.

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

If you have any unused crossword, sudoku and word search books or children's magazines we would love to have them for our library as an extra resource.

### **BARNET COUNCIL**

Barnet would like to hear residents' views on savings being proposed for 2016/17 as well as on Council Tax. Next year, the council will need to find savings of approximately £20 million, due to continued reductions in Government funding and increasing pressure on services as a result of a growing population. The budget proposals include changing the way some services are delivered, for residents to remain in their own homes for longer, instead of moving into more costly residential care, as well as strengthening the council's in-house foster care service.

The results of this consultation will help to inform the final decision on their 2016/17 annual budget, which will be taken at Full Council on 1 March. The consultation can be accessed via the Engage Barnet website and will be open until 12 February. Please click on the following link

<https://engage.barnet.gov.uk>



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