



Welcome to Barnet Hill Academy's Newsletter



BHA Summer Term

The summer term commenced with a refurbishment of the School Office and Administration area. There will be some adjustments to certain administration functions consequently, however, we anticipate that these teething issues will settle down quite quickly. We kindly request parents to cooperate with admin staff during this settling in period.

We also aim to develop the facilities further during summer term so look out for updates and news on these during the term.

Ramadan starts shortly and as per previous years we will be adjusting the timetable accordingly, these adjustments will be advised shortly to parents.

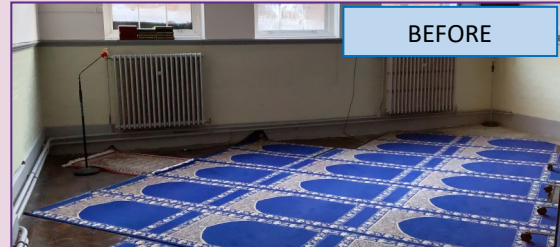
Finally, thank you to our excellent PTFA for organising a superb Teachers Lunch at the beginning of this term, the food was excellent and helped raise valuable funds for our students and resources for the school.



Wa' Alaykoun As-Salam,
Alimuiddin Shaikh,
Principal

School Refurbishment

We continue with our refurbishment programme. We have recently refurbished our prayer area with new carpet inserted. Here is a before and after picture for you to see.



School Communications Tools

We have launched the **ParentMail App** which allows users to view emails and communications in a much more convenient fashion on their SmartPhone.

Please download the app and look out for further instructions via letter.

For any assistance,
please contact the
school office.





EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

EFYS Newsletter

Early Years Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception)

DEAR PARENTS & CARERS,

This term the **Reception** and **Nursery** children focused on the topic of growth and change. They read non-fiction and fiction books such as the tiny seed, the very hungry caterpillar, the teeny weeny tadpole and the enormous turnip. Additionally the children learnt about how plants grow and what they need in order to survive. They even had a go at planting and made observations of their plants by measuring how much their plant grew each day/each week. Moreover, this term our children had their very successful cake sale, which raised an amount of **£353.60**. Alhamdulillah! We would like to thank all our parent's, children and staff for their hard work and continuous support. We also had our world book day this term. The children and staff looked amazing. Please checkout the school website to the professional photos. In addition, we had the road safety team visit our EFYS setting to teach the children about how to stay safe on road. Lastly, we would like to thank all our parent's that attended our drop in sessions and like to request those that have not, please join parent mail as we now send messages through that about updates and information's. JazakAllah.

RECEPTION



NURSERY



Our topic for summer term 1:

Animals

Primary

Year 1:

This term the Year 1 have had a very productive term. The topic was on Moon Zoom.

We have been learning different types of transports in history from past present and future. Linking to these transports we have created our very own transports for art, that we could use to travel to space. alongside learning about the Moon, we went on a role play trip to the moon exploring the physical movements and travelling to space with a space rocket. We even made our own space masks to breath through and spotted some hidden aliens linking to our story book 'Man in the Moon'.

To wrap this term up, year 1 visited 'Kidzania' to experience real life transports and understand what each transports are used for.

Year 3 Stone Age workshop

During the workshop the children worked in small groups where they made black pigments using charcoal and fat to represent paints used during the stone age period. They covered a temporary shelter with material representing leather and handled replica artefacts.

Children got to practise the skills necessary to start a fire, reenact a hunt. They learnt how to make cordage bracelet and strung an animal bone bead onto it to take home.



Year 4 Vikings workshop

Children learnt about thatching Viking roofs. They used straws, hammer and ropes to make the thatching. They learnt how to write in Latin and design brooches on circular metal pieces with patterns. They played Viking board games and played Viking style connect four. Finally, they learnt how to use swords and shields.



You can view more pictures of on our website gallery.
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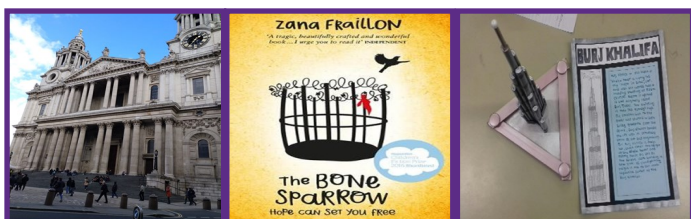
<https://www.barnethillacademy.org.uk/gallery>



Welcome

As Salam Alaykoum Dear Parents,

We have had an abundance of activity throughout the Secondary Spring term; with the year 11's spotlight on the upcoming GCSE examinations and year 10's interacting with the world of work through Work Experience week. The school has been geared towards Competition mania, from English to Geography; pupils have enjoyed the excitement of preparing for, and entering a number of varied and thought provoking contests. Most notably, Ms Maha recently led a BHA Art competition, entries are currently under consideration! BHA also hosted a successful Interfaith event as part of the Alan Senitt Program led by Ms Saqiba, where pupils from Emmanuel school, Nower Hill School and the Guru Nanak Academy visited BHA to participate in a community project. Pupils have concluded the Spring term with Term 2 Assessment week. We anticipate that pupils will return, equipped to begin the Summer term with renewed aim and focus.



Secondary reminders.

Pupil diaries

Kindly check your daughters school diary weekly to ensure all homework is noted and completed. Diaries are also used to by Form Tutors and teachers to communicate with you; please do check and respond to comments regularly.

Chewing gum:

Kindly ensure pupils do not bring gum onto school premises; this is a prohibited item. We would like to keep BHA a gum-free environment and appreciate your continuous support in making our school a cleaner environment for our pupils.

Events & Activities

Work Experience week: 25th February-1st March

The year 10's ventured into the world of industry and employment gaining valuable skills and insights. Their inspiring experiences were shared with KS3 pupils during careers week, where Year 10 pupils evaluated and answered questions on their work placements.

Careers week: 4th- 9th March

Pupils discussed transferable skills learnt in school, and reflected on how these skills are applicable to a variety of careers. Pupils also considered the extensive range of careers available to them in the contemporary world.

World Book day: 7th March

Secondary year groups celebrated world book day, by a shared reading of Zara Fraillon's 'The Bone Sparrow'.

English & Business Trip : 11th March

The year 9's and 10's enjoyed a dual trip to Shakespeare's globe, and the Bank of England museum with Ms Zeina and Ms Kamna. Pupils participated in a workshop on Macbeth and were delighted by the valuables on display at the Bank of England.

Alan Senitt Activities: 20th & 26th March

Tremendous efforts from the year 10's this term, as they facilitated a fundraiser within school and hosted the next stage of the Alan Senitt program. Led by Ms Saqiba, pupils developed their leadership skills by planning a marketing campaign for a social action anti-discrimination community project. Pupils expanded their skills through planning, budgeting and advertising their project.

Rivers competition

The year 7's summoned their creativity to produce 3D models of the stages of a river as part of their topic on Rivers. Each entry showcased the features found within each stage of a river. Entries were peer judged and winners will be announced in the Term 2 Achievements assembly!

Tourism Competition

An exceptional effort from the year 8's who eagerly entered the Tourism competition. Pupils produced innovative images of tourist sites around the world. The competition culminated in a presentation to the class and peer judgement of each tourist site. Winners to be announced in The Term 2 Achievements assembly!

Mission contamination Competition—Young Writers

Ms Zeina is currently running a writing competition where pupils are encouraged to write a survival saga.



Extra Curricular Activities

Calligraphy Club - Every Monday after school

Science Club - Every Tuesday after school

Kickboxing Club - Every Friday after school

Please note the Ramadhaan schedule for clubs will change. Details issued in separate letter.

Key Upcoming Dates:

Proposed first day of Ramadan: New T/t start date – 7 May 2019

Bank Holiday: 6th May 2019

Half Term Dates: 27th – 31st May 2019

Eid Dates: 3rd – 5th June 2019



BARNET HILL PARENTS, TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PTFA) NEWS & UPDATES



Well done to the EYFS team and children who raised £353.60 through their cake sale!

Thank you to all those who supported it. The EYFS team will be making a decision on where best to spend that money for the children.

The KS1 cake sale is set for 02/05/19

We held our last coffee morning on 12/3/19 where we discussed Mental Health and children, how to recognise when our children aren't coping and different strategies to help them. We found the following links useful in our session:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/take20/20-activities-for-20-minutes/>

If you are interested in joining the PTFA, please email Amreena at: parentlink@barnethillacademy.org.uk

Or come along to the next PTFA Coffee Morning on

30th April 2019 | 9am - 10am @ Barnet Hill Café

SATs are around the corner, beginning on 13th May for our Year 6 students. Please join us on Tuesday 30th April at 9am for our info session facilitated by the PTFA to find out what to expect from the process and how to best support your child throughout this 'testing time' alongside some tips and hints for GCSE's and exams in general.