



NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th March 2022

Be Curious

Be Caring

Be Confident

Be Cooperative

HEADS' CORNER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Make it Happen March is well under way at Underhill and the children are really making things happen with their learning! This month, our focus is on pushing ourselves to meet our targets and show what we can do. It is all about being curious about what we can achieve if we put our minds to it. We are also thinking about how we can encourage one another to make it happen, by helping each other to see the positive. The children are earning orange stickers this month, and we have nearly run out already!

We have also been really impressed by the fantastic writing that we have seen all through the school this week. The children are making fantastic progress and really seeing themselves as writers. Thank you for all the reading and learning that you do at home, it really supports what we are doing in school each day.

Congratulations to our amazing Y5 and Y6 dancers, who danced at the Barnet Dance festival last night. They were absolutely incredible and made everyone very very proud!

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Nicola Hayles and Jennie Reed



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WORLD BOOK DAY READING CHALLENGE

Well done to Alfie in 1 Oak who has already completed the World Book day Reading challenge! I hope you really enjoyed all the fantastic books on your bingo card. Can't wait to see who's next.

Anniina Limbrick
English Lead



NETBALL

Huge well done to our Year 5&6 netball team;

Kayla, Natalia, Max, Tinaya, Shaheer, Jack.L and Lola.

They played an outstanding game against Christ Church. Their shooting was sublime and they demonstrated great skill, tactics and most importantly team work. Final score 7-0 to Underhill.



CROSS COUNTRY

Last Thursday students from Underhill participated in a cross country race against several other schools in the borough at Oak Hill Park. The course was tricky as there was a morning of torrential rain before the race leaving our resilient runners caked in mud. The children raced hard and fast showing determination and courage; we did particularly well in our Year 5&6 girls races achieving a 2nd place silver medal, Maggie (Year 6) and 4th place Willow (Year 5).

It was a brilliant experience for our children and we are incredibly proud of all those who were selected to take part.

Durja, Maria P , Hayden H, Dhama, Willow, Agnes, Zainu, Denis, Richmond, Tahar, Maggie, Daniella, Jasmine, Jon, Ella, Celine, Bethan, Millie, Freddie W, Edmond and Ortise.



PARENT CHAMPION

Could you be a Parent Champion?

If you live in Barnet and have a child under 5, use local services, enjoy talking to other parents and are available to volunteer 2-3 hours per week - you could be a Parent Champion!

Parent Champions make a real difference for their local community by:

- Talking to parents about childcare for under 5's
- Encouraging parents to access services
- *Helping shape Barnet's family services*

Find out more: www.familyandchildcaretrust.org/parent-champions-volunteer

Any questions please speak to Jess Crosby.



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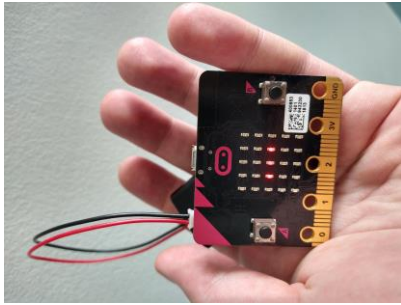


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STEM DAY AT THE RAF MUSEUM

On Wednesday, children from across Year 6 participated in the RAF museum's celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. Alongside exploring the incredible museum exhibits, children partook in a range of STEM related activities including coding Microbits to send each other messages in Morse code and designing and building lightweight and strong aeroplane wings to a design brief. Officers from the RAF delivered a number of sections directly and gave a wonderful insight into how vital STEM is to the operation of their organisation. The children represented Underhill fantastically throughout, proving themselves to be not only knowledgeable, but also very passionate about STEM.



CAREERS IN STEM

Children in Years 5 and 6 will attend a talk from our science governor, Sarah Westcott on Wednesday 16th about the different roles she has had in STEM and how a career in the field could potentially progress. We have lots of children who have demonstrated great desire to work in STEM and are really excited that they will have the opportunity to begin finding out about working in STEM at this early age.

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

National British Science week is due to take place from 11th-20th March. In order to celebrate the week to its fullest, Underhill will be postponing the celebrations to the last week of this half term. Look out for a letter explaining about how we will be engaging with the week closer to the time.



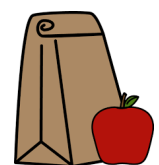
HEALTHY SELFIES

Mrs Sidney is looking for healthy selfies- if you'd like to be on her healthy selfie PE board take and print a selfie of you doing something healthy! We'd love to see how active you are when you're not being PE superstars at school.



SCHOOL MEALS

Please remember you can only change meal options by giving the office 1 weeks notice. School meals are £2.34 a day payable on school money.



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ODD SOCK DAY 2021

The Anti-Bullying Alliance would like to say a massive thank you for the fundraising you have done! Underhill raised £188.33 on Odd Sock day back in November.



making young lives musical

Instrumental & Vocal Lessons

Available Now!

Learning a musical instrument can help ease anxiety and boost mental wellbeing.

Playing music helps boost confidence and improve concentration, all whilst having fun!

- Lessons are available for most instruments and voice for children and young people of all levels and ages 7-18.
- Individual or small group tuition available
- BEAT has been successfully delivering individual tuition during these past few months. This shall continue as before and can be delivered face to face, or online.
- Our specialist tutors work in schools and academies in Barnet and with our evening and weekend Music Academies.
- All tutors are fully DBS checked and their teaching is regularly monitored.



To register for tuition please contact your school or visit our website for more information:

www.beatrust.org.uk

MUSIC TUITION

Barnet Educational Art's Trust offer music lessons at our school.

Do you have a child who is interested in learning a musical instrument?

Any budding musicians from Year 3-6?

Bookings for instrumental lessons for the Summer term 2022 are now open. Please book at:

<https://beatrust.org.uk/enrol/school-based-instrumental-lessons/>

Here you can find details of the music lessons on offer and can log into your online account to pay or, register if new.

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES



mysportscentre



multi-sports coaching

Every Saturday

10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm (5-11 yrs)

Book a Free Trial



at Underhill Primary School

www.mysportscentre.co.uk



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ATTENDANCE

Beech	88.00
Maple	80.99
1 Oak	94.17
1 Willow	93.60
2 Chestnut	93.93
2 Palm	94.40
3 Cedar	93.79
3 Hornbeam	96.43
3 Yew	95.00
4 Cherry	93.33
4 Larch	95.00
4 Pine	95.52
5 Holly	92.07
5 Laurel	86.55
5 Sycamore	92.67
6 Ash	97.78
6 Elm	93.38
6 Hawthorn	96.33

House attendance

Balmoral – 93.96

2

Windsor – 93.23

1

Holyrood – 92.72

3

Sandringham – 91.91

4

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

31 st March	Last day of the term for Nursery
1 st April	Last day of term - school finishes at 2pm
19 th April	Staff INSET (School closed for children)
20 th April	Children return to school



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BARNET COURSES

Please find attached a flyer for the Autism pre-school programme starting mid- March. This programme is open to all parents with a child who has a **diagnosis of Autism, aged 0-6**. If you have any questions regarding this you can speak to our SENCO Sue York.



Professionals and parents will deliver modules designed increase your knowledge and skills with understanding autism and using practical strategies.

The criteria for accessing the programme:

- Barnet Resident
- Child has a diagnosis of autism.
- Child is 0-6 years old (up to year 1)

To book please go to the link below and complete the form. We will then send weekly emails with details for each session including the opportunity to watch the session as a you tube video and to join a live ZOOM session.

Click on the booking form link below

[BOOKING FORM](#)



BELS Autism Parent/Carer Programme

Programme Content	
<p>1. Promoting Communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of speech, language, and communication • Strategies for promoting this in the home. <p>Professionals: Speech Therapist & BEAM</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 10th March 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>	<p>2. Introduction to Autism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is autism? • Autism and early education. • Autism voice • Strategies for support <p>Professionals: BEAM</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 17th March 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>
<p>3. Understanding Sensory Processing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of our 5 senses and 3 hidden senses. • Practical strategies to promote alertness and calm. <p>Professionals: Occupational Therapist</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 24th March 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>	<p>4. Eating and Drinking Difficulties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of development of eating and drinking skills. • Practical strategies to use at home. <p>Professionals: Occupational Therapist & Speech Therapist</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 31st March 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>
<p>5. Structure, Routine and managing change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of visuals and other strategies for setting up routines in the home and managing changes and transitions. <p>Professionals: BEAM</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Wednesday 21st April 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>	<p>6. Sleep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding how to improve sleep. • Practical strategies to promote good bedtime routines. <p>Professionals: BEAM</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Wednesday 27th April 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>
<p>7. Toileting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of development of toileting skills. • Strategies for promoting using the toilet at home. <p>Professionals: BEAM & Parent</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 5th May 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>	<p>8. Understanding Education Health and Care Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is an EHCP? • How can an EHCP help my child? • How long this process takes? • Who can help? <p>Professionals: SENDIASS</p> <p>Live ZOOM sessions: Thursday 12th May 2022 at 10am-11:30am and 1pm-2.30pm</p>



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Would you like to improve your English speaking, reading, writing and listening skills? We will be starting ESOL - English for speakers of other languages in January 2022, Wednesday mornings 9.15am - 11.15am. Please contact us at info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net or text 07511 273 564 to book your place. We are unable to offer creche facilities.

This is the link for the autumn term timetable.

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