



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Be Curious**

**Be Caring**

**Be Confident**

**Be Cooperative**

## HEADS' CORNER

Dear Parents/Carers,

We wanted to write to thank you all very much for your fantastic support since we notified you on Tuesday that we were being inspected by OFSTED (Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills).

Thank you for the overwhelmingly positive responses to the parent survey; thank you to everyone who wished us good luck and thank you also to all the parents and carers who spoke to the inspectors in the playground yesterday morning. We all feel very privileged to be part of such a wonderful and supportive community. We would like to say another huge thank you to all of your children; they truly are the heart of the school.

The inspection team spent a lot of time talking with groups of children across the school and they could clearly see how caring, cooperative, curious and confident they all are. Following the inspection on Wednesday and Thursday this week, the lead OFSTED inspector will now write a report to share details of the inspection and the judgements they have made.

We are expecting to receive the report in around 30 working days and this will then be shared with you. We wish you a restful and enjoyable half term break and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Best wishes,

Nicola Hayles and Jennie Reed Co-Headteachers

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### February 2023

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Half term week

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb – Back to school

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb – 4 Larch class assembly

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb- Coffee and Mini eggs morning (Speech and Language focus) all welcome

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb - 5 Holly Parent assembly



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# ATTENDANCE

## House attendance

House	Last Week	This Week
Balmoral	90.18	89.79
Holyrood	91.68	89.90
Sandringham	93.87	93.13
Windsor	91.53	88.61

## Absence

Please remember any absences need to be reported daily to

[attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net](mailto:attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net)

Or via the school website

<https://underhillschool.co.uk/attendance-1>

Absences before and after a school holiday may be liable to a fixed penalty notice from Barnet Education welfare team unless medical evidence is provided

## Appointments

As far as possible, parents/carers should attempt to book medical and dental appointments outside of school hours.

Where this is not possible please remember to let the office know in advance about all appointments booked during school time.

You will be asked for proof of the appointment in order for the absence to be authorised, this can be emailed to

[attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net](mailto:attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net) or shown to a member of the office team.

You will not be able to collect children for appointments during the lunch period as the office staff may not be able to find them.

## Class attendance

Class	Last Week	This Week
Beech	88.17	75.48
Maple	92.05	93.40
1 Hazel	95.63	71.79
1 Oak	84.24	88.17
1 Willow	92.39	92.35
2 Birch	98.43	92.06
2 Chestnut	92.98	87.50
2 Palm	95.24	96.88
3 Cedar	96.60	92.90
3 Hornbeam	95.45	97.14
3 Yew	90.97	93.29
4 Cherry	96.08	96.06
4 Larch	90.20	83.82
4 Pine	89.67	94.31
5 Holly	91.96	97.96
5 Laurel	88.95	85.35
5 Sycamore	85.86	98.41
6 Ash	93.84	97.63
6 Elm	92.89	91.43
6 Hawthorn	93.84	95.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>92.05</b>	<b>91.79</b>



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# NOTICES AND NEWS

## PANCAKE DAY

To celebrate pancake day on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February all children who have school dinners will have the option to order from our pancake day menu below.



## COFFEE AND MINI EGGS MORNING

All parents & carers are invited to attend a coffee and mini eggs morning on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 9-10am with Sue (SENDSCO) and Laura the Educational Psychologist. This will take place in the school canteen. The focus of this coffee morning will be to discuss speech and language. If you would like to attend please submit the short google form below. We look forward to seeing you there!

<https://forms.gle/XAVcTPKnaPjrJUnEA>

## CLOTHING DONATIONS

We would be very grateful for any donations of large girls knickers and boys large socks. Please bring any donations to the school office.

## PARKING

Please can we remind parents to be considerate when parking outside of school at drop off and pick up times. We have had complaints from some local residents that have noticed some of our parents parking dangerously on the pavements.



## 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.
- 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](http://www.beatrust.org.uk)

## MUSIC TUITION

Any budding musicians out there?

Please book your child's online music lessons through BEAT directly, for drums, guitar and piano lessons. The Summer term 2023 is now open for booking, so if your child is interested in lessons please click on the link below as soon as possible.

Parents can enrol and pay for lessons directly by following this link <https://beatrust.org.uk/enrol/school-based-instrumental-lessons/>

If your child is already having lessons at school you will receive information from BEAT notifying you how to pay for next term, you **do not** need to **re-enrol**.

There you will find details of the cost of lessons and the terms and conditions. If you are in receipt of pupil premium parents can still receive a £50 discount off one instrument per child they enrol. Teachers can contact parents directly through the app.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> BARNET BEAVERS

Do you have a child aged 4 - 6 who likes playing games, arts & crafts, cooking, learning new things, going on adventures and having lots of fun? Come along to 1st Barnet Beavers on a Tuesday from 5pm - 6pm where we will be doing all of that and more!

If you would like more information about when we will be starting, please contact Becky on 07734 252 665.



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# HALF TERM ACTIVITIES



**FEBRUARY HALF TERM SWIMMING CRASH COURSE AT WHITINGS HILL SCHOOL**  
**13th - 16th February!**

- Lessons run for 30 minutes everyday
- 1:1, 2:1 and Group Lessons available
- Competitive Pricing
- Experienced, Qualified, Kind Teachers

Get in touch today!  
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 07927 483627

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**WOODY'S SPORTS ACADEMY**  
**FEBRUARY FOOTBALL CAMP**

**2023**

**£50**  
 INDIVIDUAL DAYS £25

JOIN US THIS HALF TERM FOR OUR THREE DAY CAMP FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-11 YEARS OLD.

**14TH FEBRUARY - 16TH FEBRUARY**  
**10AM - 3PM**

EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE 9.30AM £5 EACH DAY  
 GAMES, SKILLS, DRILLS, QUIZ AND TROPHY DAY!

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 07961437202 www.woodyssportsacademy.com



**PERFORMING ARTS HOLIDAY CAMP**

**13th-17th FEBRUARY**  
 AGES 3-5 & 6-11

**£30 / DAY**  
 FROM **£110 / WEEK**

\*Early bird price offer - ends January 31st 2023

**TIME : 9AM - 3PM**  
 OR LATE PICK UP AT 4PM

**MARTINS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
 PLANE TREE WALK  
 EAST FINCHLEY, N2 9JP

**WHITINGS HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
 WHITINGS ROAD  
 BARNET, EN5 2QY

**SIBLING DISCOUNT!**

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 info@fixationacademy.co.uk

## PETER PHILLIPS CRICKET

HOLIDAY COACHING COURSES FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5 - 16



## FEBRUARY HALF TERM CRICKET COURSE

**MONDAY 13TH - FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY**

Absolute beginners to established club players  
 Everyone is welcome!  
 With fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities it's ...

**NON STOP CRICKET WHATEVER THE WEATHER!**  
 Working Mums and Dads? Early bird drop off and late pick up available!

Courses take place at:  
 The Totteridge Academy Indoor & Outdoor Sports Centre, Barnet Lane, N20 8AZ

For more information please visit: [www.peterphillipscricket.co.uk](http://www.peterphillipscricket.co.uk)  
 Or call Peter anytime on 07930 44 55 66



## ADULT COURSES SPRING 2023

ESOL - English for speakers of other Languages course Wednesdays 9.15am - 11.15am starting on 11.02.23  
**Paediatric First Aid course will be starting after the February half term.**

If you are interested in joining any of these groups please email [info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net](mailto:info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net)

## Children's Centres

East-Central Locality

Spring Half-Term 13.02.2023 – 17.02.2023

	BEYA A Sure Start Children's Centre	Coppetts Wood A Sure Start Children's Centre	Newstead A Sure Start Children's Centre	Underhill A Sure Start Children's Centre
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Stay and Play</b> 9.30 –11 am 0-5 Years Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD  <b>Stay and Play</b> 1-2.30 pm 0-5 Years Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD	CLOSED	<b>Valentine's Stay and Play</b> 9.30-11 am 0-5 Years	<b>Stay and Play</b> 9.15–10.45 am 0-5 Years  <b>Rhyme Time</b> 1.15 –2 pm 0-5 Years
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Stay and Play</b> 9.30 –11 am 0-5 Years Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD  <b>Stay and Play</b> 1-2.30 pm 0-5 Years Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD	CLOSED	<b>Childminders Stay and Play</b> 9.30-11 am  <b>Valentine's Baby Stay and Play</b> 1.15-2.30 pm Non-Walkers	<b>Baby Self-Weighing</b> 9.30-11 am Under 1's Booking Required  <b>Stay and Play</b> 1 –2.30 pm 0-5 Years
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Childminders Stay and Play</b> 9.30-11 am Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD  <b>Baby Group</b> 10-11.30 am Non Walkers All Saints Church N20 9EZ	CLOSED	<b>Explore Barnwood</b> 10-11 am Walkers Only  <b>Baby Stay and Play</b> 2-3 pm Non-Walkers	<b>Baby Play with Self-weighing</b> 10.30 am – 12.30 pm Non-Walkers
<b>Thursday</b>	NO SESSIONS	CLOSED	<b>Stay &amp; Play</b> 10-11 am 0-5 Years  <b>Baby Self-weighing</b> 1-4pm Under 1's Booking Required	<b>Stay and Play</b> 9.15 –10.45 am 0-5 Years  <b>Rhyme Time</b> 1.30 –2.15 pm 0-5 Years
<b>Friday</b>	NO SESSIONS	CLOSED	NO SESSIONS	<b>Boogie Mites</b> 10-10.45 am 0-5 Years

Activities offered weekly unless otherwise stated



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**Barnet**  
A Sure Start Children's Centre



## Paediatric First Aid Course

At Underhill School & Children's Centre,  
Mays Lane, Barnet, EN5 2LZ



Free 6-week course  
Monday 9.15am – 11.15am  
Starting 20.02.2023  
Booking required

- Resuscitation procedures
- Preparing for and dealing with emergencies
- Coping with bleeding and choking

Tel: 020 8449 2423 Ext 206  
Email: [info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net](mailto:info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net)



[www.barnet.gov.uk/directories/childrens-centres](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/directories/childrens-centres)

[www.barnet.gov.uk/0-19](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/0-19)



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# PIZZA & COOKIE EVENING

## FRIDAY 3RD MARCH

We've teamed up with Doughies for a fun family night in. Order your pizza & cookie making kits and you'll receive everything you need to make artisan margherita pizzas (**regular or vegan**), and warm gooey cookies in your home oven.

