



Underhill School and Children's Centre



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Newsletter

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Friday 29th November 2024

Heads corner

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just 3 weeks to go until the end of term and we have lots of exciting events coming up so do check the school calendar! Rehearsals for the KS1 show have started and next week, KS2 will be going up to the church to practice for the KS2 carol concert. The children will also be going to see the pantomime at the Bull Theatre. The shows at the Bull are always fantastic and it is a wonderful way to start December. Thank you to everyone who is helping with supervising the children on these trips.

Last week was Road Safety Week and the children really engaged well with everything that they learned and practised. Everyone looked great on Be Bright Be Seen Day and the travel ambassadors will be announcing the winners of the best dressed and also the poster competition winners in Monday's assembly. A big thank you to all the children who entered the Star of the Week card competition - we had so many entries and it has been really hard to choose. The winners will also be announced in Monday's assembly. It really is brilliant how much effort the children put into special days and competitions!

30 of our Year 6 children had a great time at Barnet Library on Wednesday visiting the author, Helen Peters. They asked her some brilliant questions about her writing and being an author, and were very inspired by her. We have so many fantastic writers at Underhill...maybe one day one of them will be at Barnet Library being interviewed by the pupils from their old school!

This week in assembly, as part of our Do Something for Someone Else quest, the children were given the task of thinking of acts of kindness for our Underhill 'Do Something for Someone Else December' Calendar. We have put all their fantastic ideas together for things to do both at home and school. Today, the children have been given their first task for Sunday 1st December, which is to help with jobs at home. A copy of the calendar is available on the website for you to follow!

And finally, some brilliant news from Fireworks Night. Thanks to the hard work of the PTA, our office staff and all the volunteers, around £3000 was raised on Firework Night for Underhill PTA. A huge thank you again to everyone who helped out!

Have a great weekend,

Nicola Hayles and Jennie Reed
Co-Headteachers
Underhill School and Children's Centre





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Attendance

Absence

Please remember any absences need to be reported daily to
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

Attendance

95-100% Target for all pupils

90-95% Monitored by school, meeting arranged with teacher

85-90% Invited in for meeting with Heads and attendance

Referral Education Welfare Officer may come at any stage and will depend on individual circumstances/case

If you would like a meeting to discuss your child's attendance please call the school office

House Attendance WB 11.11.24

House	Last Week	This Week
Air	95.2%	92.53%
Fire	92.59%	91.66%
Earth	91.54%	92.16%
Water	93.24%	93.6%

Class Attendance	Last week	This week
Beech	90.17%	89.3%
Maple	94.22%	92%
1 Willow	87.55%	93.4%
2 Birch	93.42%	93.1%
2 Chestnut	87.36%	88.1%
3 Cedar	95.63%	97.2%
3 Hornbeam	94.4%	97.1%
3 Yew	82.72%	88.5%
4 Cherry	98.08%	96.3%
4 Larch	98.08%	89.2%
5 Holly	95.73%	97%
5 Laurel	100%	90%
5 Sycamore	90.82%	91.8%
6 Ash	96.77%	91%
6 Elm	94.62%	91.8%
6 Hawthorn	94.44%	94.4%
Total	93.01%	92.51%



BLOSSOM ROOM MASTERPEICE

The children in Blossom room have helped to decorate their snowman. They had lots of fun gluing, sticking and painting it ready for our Christmas display.



POPPY APPEAL

Thank you very much to all who donated to the Poppy Appeal, Underhill raised £139.46.



CHRISTMAS DINNER



CHRISTMAS LUNCH MENU 2024

Roast Turkey

With Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffing, Gravy and Sausage

Quorn Roast

With Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffing, Gravy and Veggie Sausage

Roast Parsnips, Brussel Sprouts, Carrots, Sweetcorn

Grinch Cupcake

or
Gingerbread Cookie

Fresh Fruit





Thank you card competition

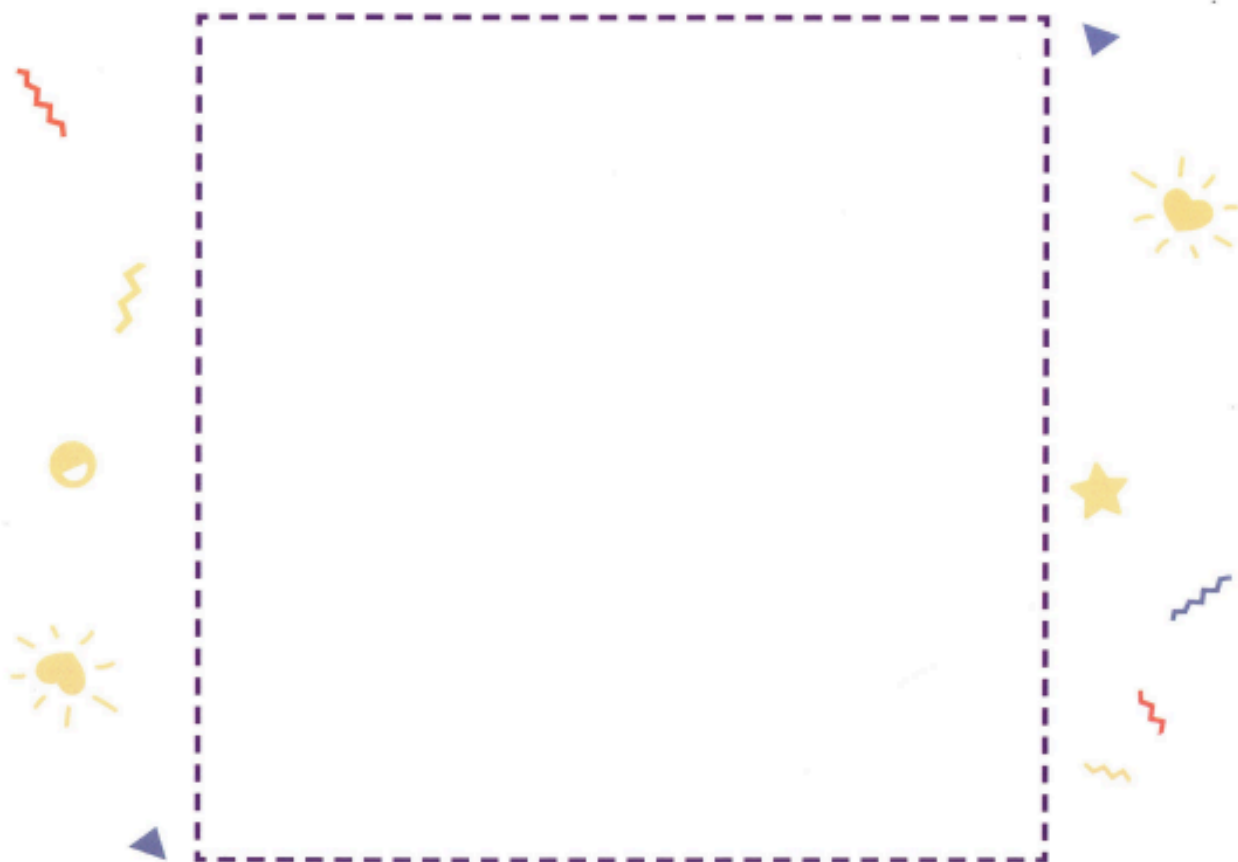
Help us say thank you to the incredible staff across the Royal Free London by designing your own thank you card for our competition.

By donating £1 to enter, you'll be supporting the Royal Free Charity to provide services which benefit NHS staff and the patients they care for.

Draw your design in the box below and ask your teacher to scan and return your entry to: fundraising@royalfreecharity.org

The winner of the competition will be contacted through their school. The card will feature across our social media and e-newsletter at the end of the year as we say thank you to our NHS staff for their hard work. The winner will also be invited to visit their local hospital to present their card to a member of hospital staff.

Design the front cover of your card below:



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please take note of the following dates for your diary. All calendar and term date information can be found on our school website here - <https://underhillschool.co.uk/term-dates-and-calendar>

December 2024	
Monday 2nd December	Year 3 Panto pm
Tuesday 3rd December	Year 6 Panto am
Tuesday 3rd December	Year 5 Panto pm
Wednesday 4th December	Rec & Yr 1 Panto pm
Thursday 5th December	Year 2 & Year 4 Panto pm
Friday 6th December	5 Holly class assembly 14.50
Monday 9th December	Assessment week
Monday 9th December	KS2 Christmas concert rehearsal 1-3pm
Wednesday 11th December	KS2 Christmas concert rehearsal 1-3pm
Thursday 12th December	Christmas jumper day
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Lunch
Monday 16th December	KS2 Christmas concert rehearsal 1-3pm
Tuesday 17th December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Wednesday 18th December	EYFS Christmas concert 2pm
Thursday 19th December	KS2 Christmas concert 1.30pm
Friday 20th December	Class Christmas parties
Friday 20th December	Last day of term - School closes at 13.30
January 2025	
Monday 6th January	INSET DAY- School closed for children
Tuesday 7th January	Children back to school
Tuesday 7th January	Chanukah assembly
Thursday 23rd January	PTA Movie night sing-a-long
Friday 24th January	Year 3 Bake sale
Monday 27th January	Holocaust memorial day assembly
February 2025	
Monday 3rd February	Design Technology week
Thursday 6th February	PTA Parents bingo night with fish and chip supper
Friday 7th February	NSPCC Number day
Monday 10th February	INSET DAY - School closed for children
Monday 10th February	Assessment week
Monday 10th February	Book fair week
Tuesday 11th February	Safer internet day
Wednesday 12th February	Parents evening Year 1-6 15.30-19.00
Thursday 13th February	Parents evening Year 1-6 15.30-17.00
Monday 17th February	HALF TERM WEEK School closed for children
Monday 24th February	Back to school
Friday 28th February	Just One Tree day
Friday 28th February	Year 2 Bake sale

RECEPTION 2025

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, you will need to apply for a reception school place, for September 2025.

Please go to - <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-primary-school/starting-reception-september-2025> to make your application.





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Children's Centres

East-Central Locality

Autumn Term Timetable

03.09.2024 – 20.12.2024

Inset Days: BEYA – 03.09.2024

Underhill 03.09.2024 & 21.10.2024

	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
Monday	Stay and Play 9.30-11 am 0-5 Years Queenswell Infant School N20 ONQ Dance & Movement for babies 10.30-12 pm 0-9 Months St Margaret's Nursery School EN4 9NT Starts: 16.09.24 Outdoor Stay and Play 3.45 – 4.45 pm 0-5 Years Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD	Baby Stay and Play with Self-weighing 10.30-11.30 am Non-walkers Stay and Play 1.15-2.15 pm 0-5 Years	Baby Stay and Play with Self-weighing 10-11 am Non-walkers Stay and Play 1.30-2.30 pm 0-5 Years	Childminders 9.30-11.30 am Boogie Mites 1.30-2.15 pm 0-5 Years
Tuesday	Stay and Play 9.30-11 am 0-5 Years St Margaret's Nursery School EN4 9NT Baby Massage 12.45-1.45 pm 8 Weeks-Non-rollers St Margaret's Nursery School Baby Group with Self-weighing 2-3 pm Non-walkers St Margaret's Nursery School	Baby massage 11.15-12 pm 8 Weeks-Non-rollers 3 Week Course - Booking Required Physical Stay and Play 1.15-2 pm 18 Months – 5 Years	Childminders 9.30-11 am Baby Rhyme Time 1-1.45 pm Non-walkers Finchley Youth Theatre N2 9ED	Baby Stay and Play 10.30 am-12 pm Non-walkers Nursery Stay and Play 10.30-11.30 am 2-4 Years – 01.10, 05.11, 03.12 Baby Massage 12-1 pm 8 Weeks- 4 Months 3 Week Course - Booking Required
Wednesday	Childminders 9.30-11 am 0-5 Years St Margaret's Nursery School Baby group 10-11.30 am Non-walkers All Saints N20 9EZ Baby self-weighing 10 am -12 pm Under 1's St Margaret's Nursery School	Stay and Play 9.15-10.30 am 0-5 Years Shake, Rattle & Roll 10.30-11 am 0-5 Years	Forest Play 10-11 am Walkers Barnwood N2 Baby Massage 2-2.45 pm 8 Weeks-Non-rollers Booking Required	Stay and Play 10.15-11.45 am 0-5 Years Fun Toddler Circuit 11.45am-12.30 pm 18mths-4 Years Baby Self-weighing 1.30-3 pm Under 1's Booking Required
Thursday	Stay and Play 1-2.30 pm 0-5 Years St Margaret's Nursery School EN4 9NT	Forest Stay and Play 9.30-10.15 am Confident walkers-5 Years Both Children and Parents need to be dressed appropriately. Please be prompt. Childminders welcome	Stay and Play 10-11 am 0-5 Years Baby Self-weighing 1-4 pm Under 1's Booking Required	Stay and Play 9.15-10.45 am 0-5 Years Meet, Sing and Sign 1.15-2 pm An introduction to baby Makaton 6 Months-1 Year Booking Required Hope Corner Community Centre EN5 2DY
Friday	Advice drop-in sessions 10-2 pm Brookhill Nursery School EN4 8SD	Perinatal Mums group 10-11.30 am 6 week course – Booking required The group is open to anyone who is registered with a GP in Barnet. Baby Stay and Play with Self-weighing 1.15-2.15 pm Non-walkers	No Sessions	Boogie Mites 9.15-10 am 0-5 Years Infant Feeding Support Group 12.30-2.30 pm Under 1's

Caring for people, our places and the planet

Activities offered weekly unless otherwise stated



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External Adverts

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SJB BARNET CHURCH
Supporting Barnet to walk in God's footsteps.

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SUNDAY
8th DECEMBER 4pm

St John the Baptist, Barnet Church
Junction of High Street and Wood Street
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Child Car Seat Checking Events – your views matter



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Around 90 child car seats were checked by an expert from Good Egg during six events in Barnet with a total of 180 errors reported. The events took place in supermarket car parks during August – October 2024 and future events are planned next year. We'd love to hear your thoughts on how we can host these events to best meet your needs. Please take a few minutes to fill out this survey: [Child Car Seat Survey](#) or scan the QR code.

