



## 2016 / 2017

### School events and Important Dates

New dates added in **Red**.

### Spring Term

5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	INSET DAY – school closed
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	INSET DAY – school closed
9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	First day back for children
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Primary School Application Deadline
17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y3 Swimming starts for the term
20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Yr3 Assembly to parents
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Yr4 Assembly to parents
1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Yr6 Trip to Verulamium

13th-17th Feb Half term

1 <sup>st</sup> March	Secondary school allocations
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Knex Challenge
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Secondary school acceptance deadline
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Yr2 assembly to parents
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Yr1 assembly to parents
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Yr3 last swimming lesson of this term
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Reports
31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of term

1<sup>st</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Apr Easter Break

### Summer Term

18 <sup>th</sup> April	Primary School Allocation Day
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Yr 3 & 4 British Museum trip
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Yr3 Swimming Lessons start
1 <sup>st</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY - school closed
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Primary acceptance deadline
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Nursery closed
8 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Rec class assembly to parents
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	NCPC Non uniform Day (Assemblies and Workshops)
25 <sup>th</sup> May	R & N trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park

29<sup>th</sup> May -2<sup>nd</sup> Jun Half term

22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Parent Consultations
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 1 & 2 Cuffley camp trip
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports day
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr3 Last swimming lesson
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Move up day Yr6 children to their secondary schools
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr6 Production
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery Graduation
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery last day of term
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception end of year celebrations with parents
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Yr6 Leavers assembly
24 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer holidays

**Our website has future dates and events for the next 2 years please check it regularly – [www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk](http://www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk)**

## Welcome Back

*We hope everyone had a peaceful break.*

*We would like to say a big thank you from all the staff for all the lovely presents the children bought them for Christmas and wish everyone a happy 2017.*

## Mobile Phone Presents

If you were one of the lucky ones that received a new mobile phone for Christmas please make sure you update the school with your new phone number.



## Comments from the Pantomime

*Thanks for a lovely afternoon, what a nice bunch of children you have. The girl next to you was having the time of her life!!* From a Governor

*It was wonderful to see all the children having such a fantastic time.* From a parent

*What a treat!! I had the most wonderful time with the children and I even got all the jokes!* From a Teacher

I would like to thank governors, volunteers and staff that gave up their own time to make this a special occasion for your child/children.

## Attendance Reminder

Please ensure your child is in class **by 8.50am**  
**School does not start at 9.00am.**

Government expectations are 96% or higher. Your child's attendance and punctuality counts in life.

**12 minutes late each day = 1 hour of lessons missed each week which is 40 hours missed each year.**  
Please help your child achieve in life by regular attendance and punctuality in school. Statistics show that children who have punctual and regular attendance at school achieve more in their future employment and social life.

## School Uniform Expectations Reminder

We insist on the following simple, but smart, uniform for all students at the school and rely on parents for their full support;

- White blouse / shirt / T-shirt
- Red jumper / cardigan / sweatshirt without logos (black for Y6 only)
- Grey skirt / pinafore / trousers / shorts / red & white gingham summer dress
- Suitable black shoes for outdoors
- Plimsolls for indoors
- P.E. (indoors) white T-shirt and red or black shorts
- P.E. (outdoors) grey or black tracksuit and trainers

We consider our school uniform to be a crucial part of the high expectations that we have for our school. Your support is very much appreciated and we would ask that all parents ensure that children come to school dressed appropriately, with only plain stud earrings and watches for jewellery.

Mobile phones, tablets, iPods, MP3 players and earphones should not be brought into school.

**ONLY Year 6 pupils** have the privilege of bringing in a mobile phone on the understanding;

1. They hand it to the School Office where it will be kept and will only be returned at the end of the day.
2. The school will not accept responsibility for these items so please ensure you have appropriate insurance cover as the school's insurance does not cover loss or damage.

## Attendance Award Autumn Term Winners

Reception	Alfie
Class 1	Riya
Class 2	Jennifer
Class 3	Leo
Class 4	Poppy
Class 5	Julieta
Class 6	Alisha

## Year 3 Swimming

Just a reminder to Year 3 parents that swimming lessons start Tuesday 17th January.

### Have you looked at the school website recently?

You will find forms for medicine, permissions etc at

<http://www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk/parents/forms.html>

Dates, newsletters and trip letters at

[http://www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk/news\\_dates/index.html](http://www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk/news_dates/index.html)

The Parents' Information page gives day to day information and the Clubs page will give you times and dates for all the clubs that are running each term.

Please check back regularly for updates.

## Trip payments

If you wish to spread the cost of any trips you can pay in instalments.

Payment cards will be given on request please had the card and payment into the school office for each instalment.

Deposit deadlines for upcoming trips are as follows

- Shepreth Wildlife Park (N & R) £2 deposit by 20-1-2017 – Total trip cost £9
  - Cuffley Camp Day Trip (Yr1 & 2) £2 deposit by 13-1-2017 – Total trip cost £18.00
  - The British Museum (Yr3 & 4) £2 deposit by 13-1-2017 – Total trip cost £10.00
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**Last term, GB Paralympic Skier Sean Rose visited our school and led a sponsored fitness circuit with all the pupils to inspire and encourage the children to take up sport.**

**We would like to thank the 12 children who raised £89.20 in sponsorship and received wristbands for their huge effort.**

### **Outside Toilets and Storage Area**

You will have noticed the work being carried out in the playground area of the school this week. We are in the process of refurbishing the outside toilets, changing room and storage area. We hope the work will be completed in the first few weeks of term and ask you supervise children in the playground before and after school to ensure they are not in this area. Thank you.