



## 2016 / 2017

### School events and Important Dates

New dates added in **Red**.

#### Autumn Term

30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	McMillan Coffee Morning
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Individual & sibling photos
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 2 Mini Olympics
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 5 Assembly to parents
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parent consultations
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	INSET Day school closed
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	HALF TERM
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Secondary applications close
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Primary School Applications open
10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Rec, Yr1 & 2 Cineworld Trip
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Yr 3, 4 & 5 Cineworld Trip
16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	School nurse Y1, 2 & 3 flu vaccines
18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 4 Assembly to parents
22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Nursery Cineworld Trip
24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Yr 6 Cineworld Trip
25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Decoration Day
26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christmas Fayre
2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Occasional Day
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3 last swimming of term
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS & KS1 Nativity
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS & KS1 Nativity
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Panto (pm)
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol service at church (pm)
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Class parties
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas dinner
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Last day of term
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half term
1 <sup>st</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Break
29 <sup>th</sup> May -2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun	Half term
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer holidays

Further Inset days & Occasional day to be added for the year.

**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)**



On Wednesday 12th October a Tempest photographer will be taking individual and siblings (pupils only). Proofs will be sent home with an order form as soon as they arrive at the school.

## 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
- **Red, Grey, Black or White Tights OR Black or Grey Leggings (NO bright colours or Patterns)**
- 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 a **small 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.

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## Invitation

On **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00am** we will be hosting our annual Macmillan Coffee morning, please come and join the fun.

This is always an enjoyable and successful event, in the past we have raised; £374 in 2011, £354 in 2012, £440 in 2013, £555 in 2014 and a fantastic £645 in 2015.

Please help us beat all of our previous years and make 30.9.2015 a very special day.



Congratulations to our Scarecrow Competition  
Winners.

Logan (Y5)  
Sonny (Y4)

Well done to everyone that took part.



## **Safety Notice**

**When leaving the car park, if another car is approaching, please reverse into the car park to give way. Not only is it dangerous, it is also illegal to reverse on to a main road. Thank you for your support in this matter.**



## The Year 5 Children enjoyed a trip to The Guardian

"The research we carried out was good for our education. I really liked it when we wrote our own news story, especially, the part where we added pictures and titles and played with words." K.J

"It was interesting but good fun at the same time. I liked working on the iMac computers and my favourite part was thinking up headlines. I liked the coach journey because I got to talk to my new friends. I felt proud because Jan, the teacher, really like my newspaper." C.O



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## Summer Reading Challenge

Well done to all the children that took part in the summer reading challenge. All those who took part were excited to receive their reward of a book, with one child saying "It's like book heaven".

Particular congratulations to year 2 with over half the class taking part.

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### Payment Drop Box

We now have a drop box in the front entrance to ease congestion in the mornings/after school. Please place all payments in an envelope with the following information;

1. Child's Name and class
2. Amount
3. Reason for payment ticked (e.g. Dinner money/Trip)
4. Include any permission slips in the envelope

### Attendance

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.

## **Can you help the Nursery?**

If anybody has any **boys** dressing up clothes suitable for the nursery, all donations will be very welcome.



## **Keep in Touch – Don't Miss Out**

We always try to keep you informed of all important dates in your child's school life. If you are a working parent don't miss out on events...

### **Please check:**

- book bags for letters,
- emails and texts,
- posters on classroom doors
- our Twitter account - @broombarns
- our website (future dates and events are published

**for the next 2 years!!) –**

[www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk](http://www.broombarns.herts.sch.uk)

**Please add our website to your favourites and come back regularly to check for updates.**

**Please inform the office if your child's meal pattern changes. Thank you**