

**Barsail Primary News**

**April 2024**

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OUR VISION AND VALUES

Vision: Inspiring the Barsail family to:

‘Dream Big, Aim High, Achieve More!’

 We want all of the Barsail family to hold these **VALUES** in their **HEARTS**:

 **H**onesty

 **E**mpathy

 **A**mbition

 **R**espect

 **T**eamwork

 **S**uccess



**Parents’ Night – 22nd May**

You will have received your child’s report card just before Easter. If you wish to discuss your child’s report further or if you have any concerns about your child’s learning then there is an opportunity to meet the teacher on Wednesday 22nd May. This is an optional Parents’ Night.

In terms of reporting, we have a meet the teacher event in Term 1, Parents’ Nights for everyone in November, a report card in April and then an optional end of year appointment. Seesaw is used to report to parents throughout the session. There will be more information via Seesaw with regards to the appointments for 22nd May.

**P7 Prom – Wednesday 19th June**

Arrive – 6pm

Parents return – 8:45pm to join for final dances

End – 9pm

This event is in the school hall so please do not feel obliged to spend a fortune on it. The children will have a ball regardless.

**Absence**

If your child is absent from school, it is very important to inform the school why he / she is off otherwise this is logged as an unauthorised absence. Please call the school office before 9:15am. Please do not send a Seesaw message to log an absence.



**Sports – new date – Thursday 16th May**

We are looking forward to our sports day which will now take place on Thursday 16th May.  Children can wear a t-shirt in their house colour.  Parents are invited to come and watch:

**P1 – P3** Relay & Races: 12:50pm–1:50pm

**(Parents cannot enter playground before the lunch bell at 12:45pm)**

**P4 – P7** Relay & Races: 1:55pm–2:55pm

**Walk to the Euros Challenge**

One Ren have challenged Barsail to walk 1,111 miles from Hampden to Munich (where the Euros is taking place) to get fit and healthy for the Euros and celebrate Scotland’s achievements. We have taken up this challenge and each class will participate in a walk with the aim of accumulating 1,111 miles as a school.  This will be a sponsored event with money raised being used to enhance teaching and learning opportunities within Barsail. Some of the money raised will also pay for a whole school treat and some will pay for Active Schools coaches to deliver free after school clubs.

There is no pressure to get sponsors and all children will join in the fun regardless 😊 Your child’s teacher will provide information via seesaw regarding your child’s class walk.  On the day of their walk, children can of course wear Scotland clothing, bring flags / a scarf and have Scotland face paints!  We are very excited about supporting Scotland and taking on this challenge.

**Team Up to Clean Up**

We are hosting a litter picking event to improve our playground area. Classes will litter pick next week. We are having litter pickers and hoops delivered and we hope to ensure that the grounds are litter free. If you could help to reinforce the importance of putting litter in a bin with your child at home then that would be great.

**Pupil Leadership Week**

Our Pupil Groups have been working hard all year and many have undertaken tasks e.g. the STEM group have taught other classes, Gardeners have been planting etc.

28-31 May is Pupil Leadership Week. Many of the leadership groups are planning activities and fun for that week.

The Captains and Vice-Captains are hosting a Charity Fundraiser on Wednesday 29th May. They will run stalls for 20p-50p and children can bring in some change to take part. They are raising money for charity – Young Lives V Cancer and for their prom.

Pupil Council will be organising a talent show. Children will compete in their class and one entry per class will perform for the whole school on 31st May. If your child wants to show off a talent e.g. magic tricks, dance, football skills, jokes, singing then they need to have an act ready for 28th May. Children can enter on their own or with friends. A class competition will take place between 28-30 May.

**Holiday Dates**

Third term: April to June 2024

| Term dates May to June 2024 |
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| Event | Status | Date |
| Start of term | Schools open | Monday 15 April 2024 |
| Election day / In-service day | Schools open for staff only | Thursday 2 May 2024 |
| Normal school day | Schools open | Friday 3 May 2024 |
| May Day | Schools closed | Monday 6 May 2024 |
| Normal school day | Schools open | Tuesday 7 May 2024 |
| Local holiday | Schools closed | Friday 24 May 2024 |
| Local holiday | Schools closed | Monday 27 May 2024 |
| Normal school day | Schools open | Tuesday 28 May 2024 |
| Summer holidays | Schools closed | Friday 28 June 2024   |

**Dates for your diary**

**Transition events for new P1 in blue.**

**P7 events in red.**

* 18th April P3-4/3 Vikingar trip
* 22nd April – P5 to library
* 24-26th - April Loch Insh for P7
* 29th April – P4, 5/4 + 5 to Vikingar
* 1st May 1.30-2.30pm New P1 pupils from August will have a teddy bear picnic with some outdoor fun – dress for the weather and bring a teddy Some P6 buddies involved.
* 2nd May – Inservice
* 8th May – P7 register in Barsail then walk to Park Mains 9:30-2:15. Return to Barsail until 3pm
* 9th May between 1.30pm until 3pm (drop in at any time) New P1 pupils from August will be able to pop into Barsail for a tour of our school and an informal play session in the hall.
* 13th May - Parent Council Meeting at Park Mains 7:15pm
* 14th May 1.30-2.30pm New P1 pupils from August will have a disco with P6 buddies
* 16th May – Sports afternoon - rescheduled
* 21st May – P6 to Safe Kids Renfrewshire event at St Mirren
* 22nd May – Parents’ Night (attendance is optional)
* 28th -31st May – Pupil Leadership Week
* 28 – Talent Show entries ready for audition in class this week
* 29th May - P1-7 Charity event – some money / change can be brought to school
* 30th May – P7 to Park Mains 1:15-2:30 – P.E. Kit
* 31st May – Whole school Talent Show with class winners performing
* 7th June at 1.15pm New P1 pupils from August – lunch trial
* 13-14 June – P7 to Park Mains all day
* 14th June from 9.30-10.30am New P1 pupils to the class and parents in the hall
* Wednesday 19th June – P7 Prom
* Tuesday 25th June – End of year services for parents:

9:15 P1-3

10:15 P4-6

1:30 P7