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This week has been an interesting week to say the least!

I could not be prouder of the school community - children, staff and parents, in adapting to online learning so quickly this time around. I am really pleased with the changes we made to home learning so that all of the children can have English and Maths live lessons as well as having access to the wider curriculum (this week Art as it is Art Week). The staff pulling this together within less than 24 hours has been an incredible feat and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for all of their amazing and tireless efforts. They don't know it yet but I even took a few pictures of the staff on their Google Meets (see next page - sorry staff)!

Never has it been clearer across the school, whether the children are in or home learning, that the six Foulds values of kindness, resilience, respect, responsibility, self-belief and teamwork are embedded! I often talk about the word resilience. The resilience shown by all of the community has been phenomenal this week. Those children learning at home have shown such growth mindset and adaptability, they have focussed, joined in (the attendance has been fantastic) and are putting lots of effort into their learning, showing how much they care. Reception and Key Stage One are working hard to get ready for our first virtual Christmas Production. Every time I walk through the two areas, the children are beavering away and trying their best!

This week has been Art Week. In a focus week like this, we would always spend the afternoons immersed in art activities and that has been no different this week. The children have been totally immersed in creativity, and the enjoyment and fun has been felt throughout the school, both in the actual and virtual classrooms.

This week across the school:

EYFS: This week has been fantastic! The children have finished the focus book, Here Comes Jack Frost, and learned a lot along the way about body language, facial expressions and picking up clues from the pictures in a text. When we finally got to read the actual words of the story, the children were thrilled to find that lots of their predictions had been correct! Rehearsals for the Christmas Performance are going well (don't forget to send in the necessary costume items!) and we are looking forward to recording the real things next week! There has been an explosion of writing this week and suddenly the children are writing words independently. We are so proud!

KS1: Key Stage One has had a very creative time during Art Week this week. We have been busy constructing our 'World of Colour' displays as well as creating Christmas decorations for the school. We had the chance to try out a paper 'marbling' effect using shaving foam and ink which was lots of fun. In Literacy, we have been working hard on our own Beegu stories, retelling the tale in our own words. There have been some wonderful stories produced. Well done everyone! In Science this week, we measured the distance that toy vehicles travelled down ramps. Now we feel really ready to make our space buggies!

LKS2: Yr 3/4 have adapted to home learning fantastically well. With very little notice they have managed normal attendance 'online' from Day One. During the live Google classroom lessons, we've been exploring a new book, Gregory Cool. The children have amazed us with their detailed observations, using clues in the text to make a fantastic range of predictions, stepping 'into the shoes' of the characters to write diary entries and using their knowledge of speech punctuation to develop new plot twists. In Maths, the children have been continuing their work on multiplication and division or looking at measuring length. Finally, they have joined the rest of the school (from their own homes), and produced some great work for Art Week. The Year 3/4's (and their parents) really should feel proud of all they've produced in difficult circumstances. Well done.

UKS2: On Tuesday, Yr5/6 followed Yr3/4 into the realms of 'online' learning. Quickly becoming proficient at Google Meets, the children and staff have adapted well, and are continuing with their lessons on non-chronological reports, decimals, measures and even Art Week! A huge well done to all of the children for taking everything in their stride and being responsible users of the Google Classroom, respectful to each other online and for being independent resilient learners.

Wishing everyone a safe and calm weekend

Kim Sanett





Kindness

Resilience



Respect

Responsibility



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KS1 Marble Party



Rowan, Birch and Maple all celebrated reaching the magic 'Marbles In A Jar' tally with a Marble Party!

Festive films, cinema popcorn and (a few bursting) balloons were the theme of the afternoon as the children enjoyed their well deserved jamboree.

Well done KS1. Now let's start working towards our next Marble Party!

Fairytale Forest Workshops ≈ EYFS & KS1

EYFS and KS1 had a blast during their Perform workshops this week. We had so much fun tricking The Red Queen and had lots of energy too! All the children got involved and showed plenty of dramatic flair!

Thank you to Perform for another engaging series of workshops.



School diary of events

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Friday 11 December Tuesday 15 December PTA raffle draw

Christmas lunch for all children who normally have a school lunch and for those packed lunch children who have already booked & paid (KS2) or booked (Rec&KS1) - the deadline has now passed to book/pay for this! If your child is

bringing in a packed lunch on that day, you can put something Christmassy in for

them!)

Friday 18 December

Finish for Christmas

SRING TERM 2021

Monday 4 January Tuesday 5 January Friday 15 January Wednesday 27 January Tuesday 9 February **INSET DAY—School closed**

Children back to school

Closing date for Reception 2021 applications

Science Day
Safer Internet Day

Half Term Week Monday 15—Friday 19 February

Monday 1 March Thursday 4 March Book Week World Book Day



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| Rowan | Sana | For great listening, super maths and lovely sentences. Keep it up Sana, you are doing so well! |
| Birch | Erin | For being a super-hard worker, challenging herself, showing a fantastic attitude towards school, and being lovely always. |
| Maple | Stefania | For great focus, high standards and being a great friend to her buddies. |
| Hazel | Annie | For trying extra hard in class and being a part of our class discussions. She is listening to feedback given by teachers and improving her reading and writing immensely. Well done! |
| Willow | Bea | For her amazing focus, great contributions in class, her consistently positive attitude and THAT fantastic Roman helmet! |
| Beech | | This will be included in our next newsletter!! |
| Oak | Reuben | For showing responsibility and kindness during break times and working hard and showing resilience in literacy. |
| Chestnut | Liliana | For her fantastic attitude to all areas of school and for showing kindness and respect to others. |
| Elm | Кауа | For always being so cheerful and having a big smile on her face no matter the task. For fantastic effort in Literacy on her Macbeth narrative. |

Friday 27th November

| Rowan | Lottie | For trying super hard this week and writing some lovely sentences and being a wonderful friend with a winning smile! |
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| Birch | Betsy | For fantastic behaviour every day and being a role model in class. For trying hard, always listening carefully and being a kind, lovely friend to everyone. |
| Maple | Maaike | Mastering 'exchanging' for subtraction and showing great focus and effort in class. |
| Hazel | Eiji | For the huge effort and progress in his writing and his handwriting. |
| Willow | Persephone | For her enthusiasm, teamwork, her fantastic literacy and amazing smile. |
| Beech | Zoya | For always being so helpful to everyone in our class, including the teachers, and being so kind and caring to all |
| Oak | Stanley | For his resilience and growth mindset in all learning areas and always having a positive attitude. |
| Chestnut | Luca | For his excellent attitude in class and his fantastic Literacy work and great use of language. |
| Elm | Julia | For always trying hard, striving to be the best she can be and her great all round attitude to school and learning. |

OULDS NOTICE BOAR

PARKING Would parents/carers please remember to park considerately; not on the zig-zags outside the school nor over our neighbours' drives, thank you.



SCHOOL MEALS

Please use **ParentPay** to keep on top of your child's school meal balance, thank you



ABSENCES

If your child is sick or will not be in school for any particular reason please could you telephone the office on 020 8449 2714 as soon as possible in the morning to let us know.

This is particularly important if your child is on the 'Walk to School' register.

Please note children must not return to school for 48 hours following the last bout of either sickness or diarrhoea or both together. Many thanks.



NAMING UNIFORM & KIT

A reminder that all school uniform and kit should be clearly labelled.

LOST PROPERTY

Keep a look out for lists of items of unnamed lost property we are emailing out from time to time

PARENTS OF PRE-SCHOOL

CHILDREN

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, they will need a place in a Reception class during the school year which begins in September 2021

The way to apply is online at www.eadmissions.org.uk If you have any queries, please contact the Admissions Team at the London Borough of Barnet on

020 8359 7651 The closing date is Friday 15 January 2021





In these dark early evenings, please can students be reminded of how to stay safe and where possible:

- Walk on main roads
- Keep to well-lit routes home
- Walk in a group or with a friend
- Tell a trusted adult if they feel unsafe



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FOULDS PTA AGM MINUTES

2nd November 2020

Attended via Zoon

- Kim Sanett (Head Teacher)
- Madeline Dominic (Vice Chair)
- Debs Dodd (Treasurer)
- Carey O'Connor (Secretary)
- Sue Dovle
- Angela Cooper
- Rachel Jayapal
- Emma Fraser
- Edmund Lakin

WELCOME

Michelle welcomed and introduced everyone to the meeting.

Explained from her perspective, as Chair, she felt it was a very positive year financially (01/04/2019 -31/03/2020)

mmer Fair (2019) raised close to the Christmas fair

Many parents had taken over with the organising of various fundraisers so it wasn't completely down to the committee to organise. By spreading the load, it was a very successful year, especially the Pamper Night, Sara Starr who organises the class reps, and the Cakes Sales (organised by Vic Dillon and Luan Abbott-Williams). This should be the model that we use going forward.

Income and Expenditure Report for Year 01/04/2019 - 31/03/2020

- It was the best year the PTA has ever had financially
- Some money has been held back to help with this year (because of Covid 19)
- Approximately £20,000 made in total £5,500 more than the year before

- It helped that parents took over bits and pieces (Cookbook, Pamper Night etc)
- Pamper Night made approx. £1.800 with expenses only at £417
- Overall expenses were practically the same as the year before, but we made approx. £6,000 more
- We need to continue tightening the ship and worrying about the expenses
- Sponsorships were £1,000 less than the year before
- PTA gave the school approx. £18,000 plus £1,000 in cake sales (£19,000) £3,000 more than ever given before
- Going forward, fundraising is going to be difficult we need to be inventive.
- . Christmas cards do not make us much money, approx. only £300 but are lovely
- Summer fair made £100 less than Christmas Fair
- Concern if PTA provide money to the school this year, insufficient funds will be available next
- Summer fair was £100 less than the Christmas fair which is incredible as has never got that
- Well done to Madeline Dominic who organises the Christmas Cards and Karen Hanrahan who organised the Foulds Cookb
- Closing bank balance for FY 19/20 was £16.417. In the bank, we now have approx. £20,000 to
- Thanked Michelle for fantastic job as Chair with exceptional organisational skills

MISS SANETT

Cake Sales - it was decided that each class would make an Amazon wish-list (with their teacher) and the money their class made from their cake sale, would go straight into buying an item from it.

£8,000 has been spent on departmental items. This money has been spent on various subjects and the resources needed to make sure it's enjoyable and exciting for the children. The school also boug curriculum resource called *Teaching Maestro*, which is used by teachers to update the curriculum.

The rest of the money has gone into the running of the school

Many schools in Barnet, and across the country, run on a (near) in year deficit. At the moment most schools have a carry-forward, which has been accumulated by Head Teachers holding money back from previous years from when schools were given more money annually.

Because of the in year deficit and heads having to now make up the shortfall, the carry-forward is diminishing each year. Schools are spending less in order to try not to go into a deficit - so they don't spend all of the carry-forward. Presently, there's no money available to spend on 'nice extras', because the running of the school is more than the school can afford through what the government gives us

During the first Lockdown, the school was kept open for us and Whiting's Hill School. Due to Covid, the school spent more money on cleaning and cleaning products than usual, and new tables for KS1. This is because the tables have to be set out a certain way (the old KS1 tables were shaped so they couldn't be set out in rows).

reimbursement for the tables – the school are unsure if they'll get the money back – the tables cost £2,000 so this might be something the PTA money would go toward if not.

The school have lost approx. £3.000 in lettings due Covid-19 so far.

The plan for next year, apart from the general running of the school, is to update the school CCTV system. Two quotes obtained so far – one in the region of £2,000 and one at £3,000 – an additional quote is to be obtained in due course. This is something that impacts the whole school, and a priority for PTA fundraising in the coming year

The Eco Garden will hopefully go ahead at Easter, and a grant for half the cost is available to spend on it. The school believe it will improve the children's education, and is a community orientated project. It has been delayed due to Covid-19.

Finished by thanking Michelle and the PTA committee.

OTHER RUSINESS

Discussed the sponsored run that Miss Sanett and some parents took part in over the summer. After the issue with JustGiving returning donations, PTA have approx. £4,000, plus £750 in a charity account.

Own Clothes Day recently raised approx. £300. This is nearly 3-times the usual amount. Many parents

The Lottery (set up by Karen Hanrahan), had initially 111 people signed up for it, but the number has now dropped. If it continues with the current level of players, it should raise between £2,000 and £3,000 pa, with a guaranteed winner every week. There is a chance to win £25,000.

The PTA are hoping to raise a reasonable amount of money over the Christmas period due to reduced

There will be the Run. Walk or Cycle sponsor. The PTA will ask the children to document the miles they There will be the hair, was to cycle sponsor. The raw lies at the funder to document the limits they cover through December and it will be recorded in the hope we cover the miles its takes to get to Lapland. Hamilton Chase are sponsoring it and contributing £500. The children can ask for donations from family members and there will be prizes for those who travel the furthest.

There will be a Snowman Trail. Local businesses will display a snowman picture in their window for the children to find. Distances recorded in search of the snowmen will count towards total distance travelled.

There will be a raffle and we have some raffle prizes already donated.

Mrs Tree has offered to run a movie night with Reception. The PTA will organise snacks to be delivered to school. Discussed opening up this up to the whole school and the logistics of possibly the teachers and TA's donating their spare time to help out with it. Reception will be a trial run. Suggested events / activities:

- 1. Own Clothes Day every month
- Zoom Quiz Night in February (Pete Williams has volunteered to host) Bottle, chocolate & toy tombola discussed logistics
- 4. Sponsored run or walk everyone can participate as there was lots of interest in the last one

SWEARING IN PTA MEMBERS

All current PTA members stepped down from their current roles and were voted in as follows:

CHAIR Michelle William: VICE CHAIR Madeline Dominio

Thank you to everyone that attended the meeting. The PTA had a really successful year, and we look forward to raising as much money as we can in the year ahead

FOULDS TO LAPLAND CHALLENGE

It is 2,032 miles to Lapland from Foulds – can you help us cover this distance before New Year and raise money for our school?

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

All you need to do to take part is walk, run or cycle as far as you and your family can, then at the end of each week of the challenge email us at fouldspta@gmail.com telling us how far you have gone.

Each week your miles will be added to our whole school total.

Send us photos of your travels that you are happy for us to share or tag us on Facebook or Instagram.

To make covering the miles more fun, there is a Snowman Trail around Barnet, advent window displays on The Drive and Regina Close will be lighting up their decorations from the 29th November.

WIN WIN WIN!

Every family who makes a donation, sends us photos, completes our quiz or completes the Snowman Trail will receive a certificate for taking part. We will also select at random winners of little festive teddies and one lucky family will win a £25 voucher for use at the Lewis of London ice cream farm.

DONATIONS FOR OUR SCHOOL

With no Christmas Fair this year our school really needs as much financial help as possible, so why not get sponsored for your efforts or you could donate £1 per mile?

All donations via PayPal (fouldspta@gmail.com) large or small are all gratefully received.

Please join the fun, let's get Foulds moving and raise money for our wonderful school.







FOULDS RAFFLE PRIZES

Sponsored by Extrastaff.com

£150 Cibo Christmas Italian Goodies Hamper

Donated by Karis Millington of KAM Mortgage Solutions

John Lewis Christmas Eve Basket

Donated by Extra Staff our Raffle sponsors

A Course of 10 Pilates or GYROKINESIS®[]

Donated by the Pilates Studio High Barnet

Nespresso Vertuo plus Coffee Machine

Donated by RGC Therapy www.rebeccageorge.com

£150 Jewellery Voucher

Donated by M&E Jewellers

Lunch for 2 @ The Coffee Bean

2 x £50 Vouchers from Terre Di San Vito

AMP Blue Tooth Speaker

Homemade Christmas Cake made by Paul Southern

£50 Wickes Voucher donated by KinderList

£50 Pearl & Moss Voucher

1:1 Parenting Consultation with handinhandparenting.org

Santas Grotto Slot for 2 children at the Santas garden grotto, Cockfosters

£75 worth of Natural skincare Tropic goodies

Jurassic World Destroy N Devour Indominus Rex Dinosaur

1 x Home Medics Back Stretchin Mat

2 Pizzas + Dessert from L'Antica

A Bottle of wine from the Sebright Pub 'premium' selection

£25 voucher to spend in The Sebright

12 cupcakes of your choice from @cakeycronin





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