



Barrow Hall Community Primary School

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Transition Week in School

This week has been 'Transition Week' in school and all children have spent time in their new classes with their new teachers. We have also welcomed the children who will be starting in reception in September.

Two of our 'new' children settling into school during Transition Week

School Council Update

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the School Council will be holding their final fundraiser of the year on Friday 21st July. This is a non uniform day to raise funds for Alder Hey Children's Hospital. The School Council would like to encourage children to follow the theme of 'Wear your Stripes' (although this is not essential) which is the charity for the Hospital. The 'fee' for wearing non-uniform is £1 which will be passed to Alder Hey.

Friends of Barrow Hall Summer Disco

The Summer Disco is being held on Tuesday 25th July in the school hall. KS1 will be 5 - 6pm (doors open 4.40pm), KS2 from 6.30pm - 8pm (doors open once KS1 have left). The cost of entry is £1.50, which includes a drink and is to be paid on the door. Children are requested not to bring mobile phones. Please note that no children will be allowed to walk home alone. For the first time, parents will be able to stay on the premises while the discos are taking place - should they wish - with a selection of refreshments and cakes available to purchase. Cakes will also be available to purchase to take home. If anyone is available to volunteer to assist with getting children signed in before the discos, please let FOBH know via the FOBH Facebook page.

We are aware that this is the night after the Y6 disco but a number of factors have made this date the best available option.

Please also note that FOBH are planning some additional and exciting new fundraising events (as well as some old favourites) for next year, which will be unveiled after the summer holidays. The next FOBH meeting will be in the Trigger Pond on Tuesday 19th September at 7.30pm - all parents welcome.

School Bins

Recently we have noticed that some parents have been disposing of dog waste in bins on the school site. We would politely request that, for obvious health reasons, school bins are not used for this.

Netball

Our netball teams have played another match recently - away against St Phillips. One of our teams won 16-4, whilst the other narrowly lost 3-2. Well done to all of the children and staff involved.

Penketh High School Sports Personalities of the Year

Parents will be aware that a number of our children take part in various sports festivals at Penketh High School each year. This year, two pupils from each school have been selected to receive the 'Sports Personality of the Year' award. The two winners from our school are **Sam Miller** and **Lois O'Neill**. Well done to both of them!

Sam Miller and Lois O'Neill receiving their awards

End of Year Reports/Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening takes place on 19th/20th July. Appointments will be sent home early next week. End of year reports will be sent home prior to this.

Penketh Library

Penketh Library have asked us to share the following information on events that are taking place at the Library in July and over the Summer holidays.

From Saturday 1st July: Every Saturday morning between 9:30am and 12:30pm Lego and Duplo will be available to play with in the Junior Library. (if parents or children would like to donate any unwanted to the Library, it would be most appreciated).

Monday 3rd July is the starting date for the 'The Reading Agency Summer challenge which will be running at Penketh Library.

The [Summer Reading Challenge](#) is designed for children between the ages of 4 and 11. Last year over three quarters of a million children took part.

This year's Summer Reading Challenge is *Animal Agents*, illustrated by the UK's best-selling children's illustrator Tony Ross. For 2017, there's something peculiar happening at the local library - and that's where the *Animal Agents* come in! It's a detective agency staffed by all kinds of clever animals - furry, scaly and slippery - and these guys are out to crack the case with a little help from their friends.

As children read library books on the Summer Reading Challenge, they will receive a host of stickers, some with mysterious smells. By collecting the stickers on their collector folder, young readers will help the *Animal Agents* find out what's really been going on behind the scenes! *Animal Agents* is a must for all eagle-eyed kids and will test their skills and ingenuity along the way. But with the Agents on their side, solving these mysteries comes with a large helping of fun!

Local Football Clubs

We have been asked to inform parents about some local football clubs that are currently looking for players.

Whittle Hall JFC Athletic Under 11's (Yr 6 in September) are currently looking for new players boys or girls to join our team for next season as we change up to play 9 a side. Your child will be in a safe and supportive environment to learn and develop. As a team we have developed well over the last 2 years by a mix of positive attitudes and fantastic support from our parents and our coaching staff are FA accredited and First Aid Trained. Training is currently every Thursday 6:30pm - 7:30pm at St James School in Sankey. All Home games are played on Saturday mornings at Dakota Playing Fields. A training top and full match kit is provided. If you have a child who is looking to start playing or is looking for a new team, contact me via a message or ring Andy on 07397871111 to arrange coming down for a no obligation training session.

Eagle JFC under 11 (current year 5) are looking for players for the new season. If anyone is interested please contact Rich 07872131321

Beamont Collegiate Codier Dojo Event

Details of the 'Coder Dojo' event at Beamont Collegiate Academy are below. 'Amazing FREE STEM event for Children aged 7 plus at Beamont Collegiate Academy in Warrington. It's the last Coder Dojo of the year (Until Sept!) and we have some awesome new stuff! <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/coder-dojowarrington-tickets-35627226995>