

Canon Barnett Primary School

Newsletter 640 6th September, 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, and welcome to new families who have joined Canon Barnett, we hope that you feel very welcome here. I hope that you all had a wonderful summer!

I certainly have some big shoes to fill after Jackie's departure, my nerves over the summer have quickly turned to excitement and I am really looking forward to the year ahead. I am very fortunate to work with such a dedicated team of staff that share my vision of ensuring all pupils at Canon Barnett get the best education that they deserve. I also feel very relieved that I know all of the parents at Canon Barnett, you have been so supportive to me taking on the new role, thank you.

I will no longer be leading on Inclusion, however I will be working closely with Rebekah who will be leading it from now on.

Our website has lots of information about our curriculum, important dates and photographs of the children's learning and experiences, please check it regularly to keep updated.

I am normally available to speak to every morning and every afternoon and will be either by the gate on Gunthorpe Street or in the main playground, please do not hesitate to come and chat to me.

Sarah Jane



Routines and sleep

Returning after the summer holidays can be a struggle for some, especially getting back into a routine. It is very important that your child gets to sleep at a good time so that they are ready to learn and do not feel tired. Tablets and other digital devices should be limited in the evenings and should have a cut-off point so that children are ready to get some quality sleep – Haleema (parent support worker) would be more than happy to help you with routines. We also have future workshops coming up on boundaries, routines and how you can support your child's education at home.

NHS Guidance for sleep

3 years

- daytime: 0 to 45 minutes
- night-time: 11 hours 30 minutes to 12 hours

4 years

- night-time: 11 hours 30 minutes

5 years

- night-time: 11 hours

6 years

- night-time: 10 hours 45 minutes

7 years

- night-time: 10 hours 30 minutes

8 years

- night-time: 10 hours 15 minutes

9 years

- night-time: 10 hours

10 years

- night-time: 9 hours 45 minutes

11 years

- night-time: 9 hours 30 minutes

Attendance

The target for attendance is 97%! We had lots of children get 100% last year and to reward this commitment to school, Haleema, Helen and Inji will be taking the pupils on a trip to the London SeaLife Aquarium on Friday 13th September.

There are unavoidable times when your child will become unwell and need to stay at home. Please ensure that you call the school office in the morning to notify them if your child will be absent. For more details, please read our attendance policy which is on the school website.

Lateness

The school gates open at 08:50 every morning, the bell will ring at 08:58, the gates close at 9am. If your child arrives after 9am then you will need to go to the office and let them know why you are late. Being late can affect important learning time, it can also affect children's emotional wellbeing as it is not nice walking in late in front of peers so please make sure that you are on time every day.

Haleema (parent support worker) is here to support families with attendance and ensuring you get to school on time.

Establishment curriculum

The children are already settling in to their new classes and getting to know their teachers. For the first part of the term we focus on the values of the school and the rights of the child where children are given the opportunity to establish themselves for the coming year. Activities include: a democracy day (with a visit from the local MP Rushanara Ali), school jobs and leadership role applications, problem solving day, rights respecting school's day and many more – please see our website for photographs. Year groups 1-6 will also be preparing for a poetry performance, we welcome families to come and watch the pupils perform and hope that you can make it.



Poetry performance

Thursday 12th September

Year 4, 5, 6 - 9:30 in the bottom hall

Years 1,2 and 3 2:45 in the bottom hall

Date for your diary – Parent voice

Tuesday 24th September at 9am – this will be an opportunity for you to learn about our whole school action plan and for you to have your say on any changes we could make to make our school even better.

See the calendar below for the rest of the term events

12th September – Meet and greet coffee morning at 09:00 in the Community Room

13th September – 100% attendance trip to the Sea Life Aquarium

16th September – Gorsefield drop in for parents at 09:00 – 09:30 in the ICT Room (meet in the office)

23rd September – Y6 school journey to Gorsefield

24th September – Parent voice at 09:00 in the middle hall (meet in the office)

25th September – Y2 trip to The Museum of London

27th September – Y4 swimming

27th September – Y6 return from Gorsefield

2nd October – Teddy bear hospital – KS1

4th October – Y4 swimming

11th October – Y4 swimming

15th October – Y1 trip to The Museum of London

15th October – Museum of London visiting Y3 and Y4

18th October – Y4 swimming.

18th October: **Half term – school will reopen on Monday 28th October.**

PLEASE CHECK THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR SCHOOL TERM TIME DATES.