

# Newsletter



## 8th November 2019

# 'Together we are stronger. Together we achieve'

Dear Families,

Firstly, I would like to thank all the staff, children and parents who have made me feel so welcome since coming into the academy just before half term. Although I knew the academy very well from my substantive role as the Trust behaviour and safeguarding lead, it has been a privilege to get to see just how amazing your children are on a daily basis.

The quality of the learning taking place across all phases is fantastic to see; the Foundation Stage children working on topical themes around bonfire night and remembrance has been a particular highlight this week. The key stage 1 and 2 classes have been able to show their resilience through challenging literacy and numeracy lessons, with year 5 in particular, completing some high quality work on Guy Fawkes using Old English and poetry as the medium.

The culture of respect, responsibility, care and success at the academy can only go from strength to strength with your support. The most immediate way of staying in close communication is through Class Dojo. I would like to thank all of you for embracing this medium for home-academy dialogue. Samuel Barlow parents have the highest usage across our primary cluster, with over 94% coverage. Please ensure that you regularly check in with this fantastic app. Future parental surveys are likely to come out via Dojo.

The run up to Christmas is always a special time at primary school, and I look forward to seeing the excitement grow as we near the end of what promises to be a very busy term.

On behalf of all the staff at Samuel Barlow, thank you for your continued commitment *to* and support *for* your children's learning.

Mr P Knight

### **Aldi's Kit For Schools**

A big thank you to everyone that has handed in the tokens from Aldi. As you can see we are very proud to fill our first poster! We are well on our way to completing our second, so if you have any lying around, please bring to the academy office as soon as possible as entries close next week!!



#### September 2020

Applications for reception and infant classes to primary/junior schools for September 2020 is open until 15 January 2020. You can apply

### **Remembrance Day**

The whole academy is really looking forward to going to a Remembrance Service at All Saints Church on Monday. Don't forget we have Poppies for sale at the office.



#### **Allotment Visit**

Last term the Year 1 children visited the allotments. The children picked the fruit and vegetables that they had planted in the spring and harvested carrots, potatoes, hazel nuts and onions.



#### **Recommended Reads**

# Raj and the Best Holiday Ever By Sebastian Braun



Rated on TOPPSTA.com, approx £6.99 or FREE to borrow from your local library

Raj and his dad are going on a camping holiday. But, they arrive in the dark, Dad struggles to put up the tent, he can't light the stove and takes the wrong turn when they are out canoeing. However, a family of friendly bears invite them to join in with them so they really do have the best holiday ever in the end.

#### For younger readers

# Gribblebob's Book of Unpleasant Goblin By David Ashby



Rated on Amazon, approx £7.99 FREE to borrow from your local library

The tranquil charms of Uppington Down are torn apart one day when Anna and Nils meet the alarmingly rude Robert Gribble on their way home from school. Before long, their lives take a bizarre turn: they join forces with this goblin in disguise and his nearly not-there dog Dimple in a desperate battle to stop Mara, the queen of nightmares, opening a hidden book of power and spilling terror across the world.

Gribblebob's Book of Unpleasant Goblins is a laugh-out-loud adventure that reminds us that with friends, family and belief you can stand up to the scariest of enemies. And if you have a ginger biscuit and an invisible dog, that helps.

For readers aged 7+

## **Attendance**

Please could you telephone the academy by 9am if your child is going to be absent. Thank you

		WK 7		
F1 Ahlberg	HW/LW	88.76%		
F2 Blake	SP	92.46%		
F2 Jeffers	ML	93.50%		
Y1 Donaldson	SS	96.50%		
Y1 Thomas	ZP	95.73%		
Y2 Dahl	ZW	96.80%		
Y3 Cowell	LN	94.88%		
Y4 Pullman	LB	95.38%		
Y5 Said	RT/SK	98.58%		
Y6 Walliams	JC	97.19%		

Congratulations to Y5 Said for achieving the highest attendance!!

The whole academy attendance currently stands at 95.28%.

Please be reminded that our attendance policy has changed. A letter was issued before we broke up to confirm that we can now issue a penalty notice for persistent lates as well as absences.

The motto in the academy is to 'give it our best shot!' so even if we are feeling under the weather, we will come to school and if necessary we will send the children home. Please note that we have trained first aiders on site at all times, therefore your children are in safe hands.



## **Dates For Your Diary**



23rd December—6th January academy holiday. 17th February—24th February academy holiday. 6th April—20th April academy holiday. 8th May Bank Holiday.

25th May—1st June academy holiday.

17th July—academy year ends.

### **Travelling Books**

A reminder that Travelling Books will be back in the academy whereby we will receive rewards from all sales made that can be used to buy resources for our classrooms and books for our library - so everything you buy helps support the children of Samuel Barlow.

Visit <u>www.travellingbooks.co.uk/parents</u> to buy book vouchers - if you purchase these before coming to the event, you get a fabulous 20% off. We hope to see you there.



#### **Lunchtime Award**

Harry from our Foundation 2 class has been awarded a Lunchtime Star Award from last term by our mid-day supervisors for 'outstanding behaviour and attitude at lunchtime.'

He is always on hand to help the mid-day team and is always sensible when it is time to line up to go back to class.

Well done Harry - a brilliant demonstration of the values we expect from all pupils at Samuel Barlow Primary.



# **Lunchtime Superstars**

Well done to the following children for their excellent behaviour at dinner time: Jorji, Adam G, Archie B, Toby W, Charlotte F, Jack B, Lilly-M, Lailynd, Alex O, Jessica T, Alfie M, Ruby-Lou



# Children in Need





Please donate any pennies and coins to help Children in Need. Each class will create a line with their pennies which class will bring in the most coins? Let's show how much we care by donating to this important cause.





Friday 15<sup>th</sup>
November. Bring
pennies in a small
bag and take them
into your class.

BBC Children in Need is not responsible for the organisation of this event or for the collection of the money.



Any questions please ask your child's class teacher.



BBG Children in Need

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**ALLERGY INFORMATION:** If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child.







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	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	Dessert		Sandwich	Vegetarian	Main	
	Banana Loaf with Custard	Peas Carrots	Tuna Sandwich	Quom Burger with New Potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognaise (made with organic beef mince)	Wholemeal Pear Crumble with Custard	Peppers Green Beans	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Vegetable Tagine with Couscous	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes	Orange Drizzle Cake	Sweetcom Coleslaw	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Quorn Sausage in a Hot Dog Roll with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausage in a Hot Dog Roll with Potato Wedges	Monday
	Chocolate Cocoa Cookie	Sweetcom Broccoli	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Creamy Vegetable Pie with Mashed Potato and Gravy	50% Plant Based Chicken, Lentil and Gravy Pie with Mashed Potato Topping	Chocolate Shortbread	Peas Cauliflower	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Vegetarian Soya Spaghetti Bolognaise	50% Plant Based Cottage Pie (made with organic beef mince) with Gravy	Carrot and Courgette Cake with Custard	Green Beans Carrots	Cheese Wrap	Five Bean Chilli with 50/50 Rice	Macaroni Cheese	Tuesday
	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Roast Chicken Baguette	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Roast (as advertised) with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Apple Flapjack	Cabbage Carrots	Hot Roast Baguette	Quorn Fillet with Roasted New Potatoes and Gravy	Roast (as advertised) with Roasted New Potatoes and Gravy	Oaty Cookie	Cauliflower Broccoli	Hot Roast Baguette	Mixed Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Roast Chicken and Stuffing with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Wednesday
Available Daily	Chocolate and Mandarin Sponge with Chocolate	Tomato and Onion Salad Green Beans	Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap	Roasted CauliflowerCury with Rice	Chicken Arrabiata Pasta	Eves Pudding with Custard	Sweetcorn Baked Tomatoes	Cheese Brown Baguette	Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Chicken Tagine with Rice	Apple Crumble with Custard	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Cheese Brown Baguette	Shepherdess Pie with Gravy	Beef Lasagne (made with organic beef mince)with Garlic Bread	Thursday
Daily	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	Fish Finger Wrap	Vegetable Wholemeal Pasta Bake	MSC Fish in Batter with Chips	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	Fish Finger Wrap	Red Pepper and Cheese Frittata	MSC Breaded Fish with Chips	Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Baked Beans Peas	. m	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Chips	MSC Fishfingers/Salmon Fishfingers with Chips	Friday

Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised)