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# NEWSLETTER

22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

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**A big welcome back!** We hope you all had a lovely half-term and are ready for a busy Spring 2 - half term!

**CHRIST CHURCH, BARKISLAND  
EVERYONE WELCOME!**  
CHURCH SERVICE



Sunday 25th February-11am Parish Communion

**Y6 – Bikeability.** You will have received a letter regarding bikeability, please complete the form and return it to school by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>! Thank you.

## Artists' summer show competition.

Each year we invite pupils to enter the young artists' summer show competition – we usually get a handful that do.

Parents submit their child's creations to the website under the school's account. The poster on page 2 explains deadlines and what to do. This can also be found on our website: [https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve\\_file/24028026](https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve_file/24028026)

## Fundraising – Pupil Voice

Each class put forward ideas regarding fundraising and have chosen spokespeople to promote their ideas. As a pupil voice group we have decided that we are going to be hosting 'mini stalls' on Fridays in the KS1 & KS2 playground to raise funds!

The first mini stall is a bake sale so we are asking for cakes/baked goods to be brought into school to sell on our mini stall. **Please can these be brought in on the morning of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.** Remember, we are a nut free school!

**PUPIL VOICE CURRENT THEME  
Red Nose Day**

**EVERY  
VOICE  
MATTERS**

**Be aware information is over 2 pages 😊**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### MARCH

1 <sup>st</sup> March	Fundraising - Pupil Voice – Bake Sale
7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Fundraising -Pupil Voice – Hot Dog Stall
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Fundraising -Pupil Voice – Hot/Cold Drinks
16 <sup>th</sup> March	BSA BARKISLAND BALL at The Arches
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Egg Competition – more info to follow
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Online Parental Consultations (am) – more info to follow
20 <sup>th</sup> March	9:30 Easter Service @ Christ Church all welcome
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Face-to-face Parental Consultations, from 4pm – more info to follow
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Y6 Football Team - National League Trust North Finals @ Chesterfield
21 <sup>st</sup> March	EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Fundraising -Pupil Voice – Ice lollies / ice-creams
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM

### SAVE THE DATE

8 <sup>th</sup> April	SCHOOL REOPENS
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Y3 School Trip to Magna– letter to follow.

## JOIN OUR TEAM

### Cleaner



- 25 hours per week (term time)
- 5 hours per day to be worked between 6am-9am and 3pm-6pm
- £11.79 per hour

For more information please contact us

[www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/page/staff-vacancies/126570](http://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/page/staff-vacancies/126570)



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Link to website regarding vacancies:

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## BSA BARKISLAND BALL

DOORS OPEN

6pm

LIVE SINGER

6.30pm

TABLES

7.15pm

STARTERS

7.30pm

STAND UP BINGO

Between Main Course & Dessert

DJ

Until Close

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING CASH FOR THE RAFFLE & BINGO

## Foodbank Project 2024

During the period of Lent we are collecting items for the foodbank. Including tinned items, dried products and toiletries. The final day for collections will be Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Mrs Young would like to share the NSPCC Newsletter with you, it contains lots of helpful links and resources to support parenting and caring for children.

[https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve\\_file/23988975](https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve_file/23988975)

Below is a poster provided by Place2Be as part of Childrens Mental Health Week, it includes some top tips for families. The full letter can be found on our website: [https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve\\_file/23988932](https://www.barkislandcofeschool.org.uk/serve_file/23988932)

## Instructions for anyone wanting to enter the Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists' Summer Show 2024

"...we believe in nurturing and celebrating the next generation of artists."

Deadline 5pm Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024



Entry is free and open to young artists aged 4-19 years. All children 12 years old or under will need a parent/guardian to enter on their behalf. 13 and overs can submit themselves. Only 1 entry per person. There are prizes awarded and the public can vote for prize winners too.

Judging: May 2024 - Online exhibition open: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 -  
Display at the Royal Academy of Arts, London: 16<sup>th</sup> July - 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

### HOW TO ENTER

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/submissions/1>

You'll need to register an account as a parent/guardian. The school is registered so when you have an account, you can log in and submit your child's work and select Barkisland CE (VA) Primary School from the list.

Select 'I am a parent' and enter your details. You will then be asked to upload an image of the artwork.

## What kind of artworks do you accept?

We've written [some guidance](#) on the kinds of artwork the judges are looking for when they review submissions. The artwork can be made using any material; it can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme so artworks can be of any subject and we don't mind when you made the artwork as long as you are between 4-19 years old when you submit it. We also welcome collaborative pieces made by more than one student, a whole class, a whole year group or even a whole school!

Link to guidance: <https://www.royalacademy.org.uk/2024/NAAS-Submission-Guidance.pdf>

Good luck!

## MY VOICE MATTERS

### TALKING TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH

Are you a parent or carer who wants to talk to your child about mental health?

This Children's Mental Health Week we want all children and young people, wherever they are, and whenever they are in the world, to be able to say - and believe - 'My Voice Matters'.

We visited primary and secondary schools to ask students what they wanted from the week - to help shape the activities we create for schools, the messaging we give to teachers, the tips we give to other children, and the advice we give to parents, carers and families.



LOOKING FOR FREE PRACTICAL ADVICE TO HELP YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD?

Parenting Smart, Place2Be's site for parents and carers, is full of expert advice and tips on supporting primary-age children, and managing their behaviour. And act on their views.

[PARENTINGSMART.ORG.UK](https://parentingsmart.org.uk)

### Here's what children and young people told us they need from you:

- 1 We don't need to have 'one-off' conversations about our mental health - sometimes a chat on a journey or at bedtime is enough.
- 2 I need to know it's okay to talk to you about any and all of my feelings. Please hear what I have to say, without interrupting me.
- 3 Please listen to me carefully and acknowledge how I am feeling - it might seem silly to you but what I am going through is important to me.
- 4 Playing with pets can make me feel better. Same with playing football, basketball or whatever type of sport I am into.
- 5 Don't compare my experiences to your own when you were a child.
- 6 Sometimes I just need you to listen and hear what I'm saying - I don't always need answers (or lectures)
- 7 Please don't worry about trying to fix things for me - I often just need to know you are there for me and understand what I am going through.
- 8 If you are open with me about your feelings, this can help me to be more open about mine.
- 9 Sometimes I don't want to talk. Please trust that I will come to you (or another grown-up or someone my own age) when I'm ready. Sometimes it's easier for me to talk to someone nearer my own age - my siblings, cousins, friends, younger teachers at school - because they 'get it'.
- 10 Sometimes a hug is all it takes to make me feel supported.



### WHAT MATTERS TO YOU? CREATIVE VIDEO ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

These wellbeing activities can help children and young people think about and share what matters to them.

For primary children: [bit.ly/3PzQ8IB](https://bit.ly/3PzQ8IB)

For secondary children: [bit.ly/3LBD2wK](https://bit.ly/3LBD2wK)

[CHILDRENSMENTALHEALTHWEEK.ORG.UK](https://CHILDRENSMENTALHEALTHWEEK.ORG.UK)