

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new academic year.

It has been a pleasure to welcome back our pupils and families, and to extend a very warm welcome to the new pupils and staff who have joined our school community this term. We are delighted to have you with us and hope you are already feeling part of the school family.

The year has got off to a fantastic start, with pupils settling quickly into their routines and demonstrating the enthusiasm, positivity and determination that make our school such a special place. We have already celebrated many successes, and our recent Sports Day was a particular highlight. It was wonderful to see so many pupils taking part, supporting one another and enjoying a day filled with teamwork, achievement and fun. Thank you to everyone who helped make the event such a success.

As we look ahead, we are excited about another busy and successful year, with many opportunities, events and achievements to look forward to. To ensure you don't miss any important information, please keep an eye on the school calendar dates and our Facebook page, where we regularly share news, updates, celebrations and details of upcoming events.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to working with you all throughout the year and celebrating the many successes that lie ahead.

Victoria Harrington - Headteacher



Protect legal right to support for children with SEND

A parent has asked us to share this petition with families. If you would like to sign, please visit: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/764268>

Celebrating Languages

On Friday 25th September, the whole school came together to recognise a child's right to speak their own language. Staff and children wore the colours of the European flags and football kits, there were European themed challenges to enjoy and lunch had a distinctly European flavour. This all followed a hilarious assembly on Wednesday that involved the students hearing staff speak in different languages and many of us following Petter on the drum in our own version of the Norwegian football team's rowing celebration.



Young Voices 2027 Update 🎵

Rehearsal Details

When: Wednesdays at 1:25pm

Where: Primary Hall

This Week's Progress

This week, our talented young singers have been working hard on the ABBA Medley – and they're sounding fantastic!

How You Can Support at Home

We'd love your support in helping your child prepare for Young Voices 2027.

Please encourage them to:

- Access the online resources via the Young Voices Music Room at [Music Room](#) [| Young Voices](#)
- Learn the words to the songs
- Practice the choreography

The more familiar the children are with the songs and movements, the more confident they'll feel – and the better our performance will be!

If you have any questions about Young Voices, please don't hesitate to get in touch with Jess.



Team Building Days at Sayers Croft

We are excited to be taking our pupils from Primary to Year 10 to Sayers Croft Outdoor Learning Centre for a series of fun and engaging Team Building Days this October!

Pupils will take part in a range of outdoor activities including caving, rock climbing, high ropes, woodland ropes, team challenges and maze trails, helping to build confidence, resilience and teamwork skills.

 Dates:

Monday 12th October - Primary

Tuesday 13th October - Year 7

Wednesday 14th October - Year 8

Thursday 15th October - Year 9

Friday 16th October - Year 10 & NBH

 Visits will take place during the normal school day, with travel by school minibus.

 Please complete the consent form as soon as possible

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/LK5PeCdnaB>

 What to wear: Long trousers, long-sleeved top, hoody/jumper and sturdy trainers or walking boots.

 Please bring: A spare change of clothes, waterproof coat (if needed), water bottle, packed lunch (if not provided by school), and sunscreen/hat if the weather is warm.

For more information, please contact info@treehouseeducare.co.uk.

We look forward to a fantastic week of outdoor adventure and team building! 

🏆 Sports Day 2026 🏆

Another successful New Barn sports day held at Broadbridge Heath athletics track.

The students were fantastic as ever, giving all the events their best efforts. For some it was their first time competing, having not practiced due to the event being rescheduled from last summer.

It was lovely to see so many happy children, and their parents and staff cheering them all on in the sprints, relays, long jump, high jump, shot put and javelin events.

Thank you to everyone who took part, helped out and cheered on the wonderful competitors.

See you all again at the summer sports day.

Gerry and Ben



☀️ Did You Know? Our School Website is Packed with Helpful Information! ☀️

Our school website is your one-stop shop for all the information you need throughout the year. Whether you're planning ahead, checking what's for lunch, or finding out what your child is learning in class, it's all just a few clicks away!



Never Miss an Important Date!

Looking for term dates? You can find them here:



<https://www.newbarnschool.co.uk/News/Term-Dates/>

You can also keep up to date with all upcoming school events by visiting our school calendar:



<https://www.newbarnschool.co.uk/Calendar/>

★ **Top Tip:** You can subscribe to the school calendar directly from the website and have important dates automatically appear in your Outlook, Google, or iPhone calendar. No more searching for letters or wondering when the next event is!



Discover What Your Child is Learning



<https://www.newbarnschool.co.uk/Curriculum/>

Here you'll find curriculum maps, subject information, and details about what your child will be learning throughout the year.



What's for Lunch?

Wondering what's on the menu this week? Check out our school meals page:  <https://www.newbarnschool.co.uk/Parents/School-Meals/>

You'll find the latest menus and meal information all in one place.



Stay Connected, Stay Informed!

Our website is regularly updated with news, events, letters, and key information for parents and carers. We encourage everyone to explore the site and make the most of the many resources available.



Visit today: www.newbarnschool.co.uk

Primary Trip to Buster Farm

Here are some photos of the children making fire and pottery while on the Butser Ancient Farm trip for Lower Key Stage Two history. The children are studying the Stone Age, so first they made some pottery, and then they tried making fire by rubbing wood on wood; then came the Iron Age, so they tried to make fire by striking metal against metal. You can see that Sloane has a spark! They also learned how Stone Age people built their homes.



My mental health and me

This isn't just a rhyme

But I feel like it's the right time.

I used to mask but that's in the past

It's all behind me now

Because I step forward holding my crown.

This is a true story about feeling like a crime

If you're feeling like this, keep going because there'll be a
brighter time.

I want people to see how it feels

Because I went through a time of feeling the feels.

I used to mask but that's in the past

Because it's important not to move on too fast.

So remember this what I told you today

Because one day we will all be old

And we will regret the lives that we were sold.



Dates for the Diary

- Tuesday 6 October - Post 16 Options Event - 3.30 - 4.30 pm (see poster for details)
- Wednesday 7 October – Year 7 & 8 Cross Country Event
- Monday 12 October – Sayers Croft Activity Day (Primary)
- Tuesday 13 October – Sayers Croft Activity Day (Year 7)
- Wednesday 14 October – Sayers Croft Activity Day (Year 8)
- Thursday 15 October – Sayers Croft Activity Day (Year 9)
- Friday 16 October – Sayers Croft Activity Day (Year 10 & NBH)
- Friday 16 October – Parent Coffee Afternoon (see poster for details) ☕
- Friday 16 October – Wear Red Day (see poster for details) ❤️
- Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October – Half Term Holiday
- Monday 2 November & Tuesday 3 November – INSET Days (School Closed to Pupils)

NASS Awards 2026: Celebrating a Special Contribution

We are delighted to share some fantastic news. Following a nomination submitted by the school, Paul Lowe has been shortlisted in the Special Contribution category of the 2026 NASS Awards.

This prestigious recognition celebrates individuals who have made an exceptional difference through their dedication, commitment and impact.

We are incredibly proud that Paul's outstanding contribution has been acknowledged in this way and extend our warmest congratulations to him on this well-deserved achievement.

We will be sharing more details about the nomination and Paul's achievements with our school community very soon. In the meantime, please join us in congratulating Paul on reaching this significant milestone.

The final awards ceremony will take place in November, and we will be proudly supporting Paul throughout the process.

Congratulations, Paul, and thank you for everything you do for our school community. We wish you the very best of luck in the awards. 🎉





NEW BARN SCHOOL

POST -16 OPTIONS EVENT

**TUESDAY
06
OCT**

**START: 3:30PM
END: 4:30PM**

COLLEGES ATTENDING

- Plumpton College
- East Surrey College
- Muntham House School
- Collyer's College
- Crawley College
- Haywards Heath College



Pupils from other schools
welcome

RESERVE A PLACE

EMAIL:
INFO@TREEHOUSEEDUCARE.CO.UK

Afternoon Coffee



Everyone is Welcome!

Join us for a relaxed and friendly coffee afternoon with other parents.



Friday 16th October



New Barn School Primary Hall



1:45pm - 2:50pm



Tea & Coffee Available



Meet Other Parents

Email hana.bailey@treehouseeducare.co.uk to confirm your attendance

TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER



**FRIDAY 16TH
OCTOBER 2026**

#WRD26



CHANGE HEARTS. CHANGE MINDS. CHANGE LIVES.