

SUMMER TERM

Senior Leadership Message

This edition: Ms Ponnuraj, Assistant Headteacher

Celebrating Learning, Relationships and Community

As we enter the final few weeks of the academic year, there continues to be much to celebrate across Barnhill Community High School. This week has provided our students with valuable opportunities to extend their learning beyond the classroom, develop important life skills, and come together as a school community.

Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our Year 10 Geography students visited Brighton Beach, where they were able to apply their classroom learning to a real coastal environment, helping to prepare them for their final unit of work in Year 11. Fieldwork is an important part of Geography, enabling students to observe geographical processes first-hand, collect evidence and develop their analytical skills. We hope the students enjoyed the opportunity to consolidate their knowledge while experiencing the coastline for themselves.

Our History students also extended their learning beyond the classroom through a visit to Notting Hill, as part of their Migration module. Educational visits such as these help bring learning to life, encouraging curiosity, thoughtful questioning and a deeper appreciation of the world around us. We thank all the staff who organised and supported both visits and congratulate our students for representing Barnhill so positively.

Year 9 Healthy Relationships Course

On Monday and Tuesday, Year 9 students participated in the Healthy Relationships course. The sessions gave students an important opportunity to explore the qualities of respectful and positive relationships, personal boundaries, communication and how to seek support. Supporting students' personal development and well-being remains an essential part of preparing them for life beyond school.

Year 13 Leavers' Assembly

Wednesday marked an important milestone for our Year 13 students as they attended their Leavers' Assembly. This was a chance to celebrate their achievements, friendships, and contributions to the Barnhill community. Many of these students have been part of the school for seven years, and we are immensely proud of the mature and ambitious young adults they have become.

Staff and Student Football Match

The Year 13 celebrations continued with the staff and student football match, bringing together friendly competition, teamwork and plenty of school spirit. On this occasion, the staff outran the students! Events such as these create lasting memories and reflect the strong relationships that exist between our students and staff. We wish all our Year 13 leavers every success and happiness as they begin the next stage of their journey.

C6 Cricket Fundraiser - Friday 3rd July

The cricket match was a huge success as Barnhill Gladiators competed enthusiastically against the visitors, Sam's Sixers. Full report will be shared on our website posted under '[Latest News](#)'.

As always, we thank our students, staff, parents and carers for their continued commitment and support. The wide range of activities taking place demonstrates the ambition, inclusivity and strong community spirit that make Barnhill such a special place to learn and grow.

Together, we look forward to finishing the academic year with enthusiasm, pride and a shared celebration of our school community.

Parent Survey

Last chance to share your views (just 5 minutes)
<https://edurio.com/poll/fy4QtN>

Parent Governor Vacancy

Nominations open now and can be made [here](#).

Closing day midday **Friday 10th July**.

Further information about the role and responsibilities can be found [here](#).

Free School Meals - Important Update

Important update and eligibility checks need to be completed by **13th July**. A letter was sent out earlier this week and can be viewed on our [website here](#). If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our main reception or email us enquiries@barnhill.school.

Key Dates:

- Transition / INSET Day Tuesday 7th July
- Friday 10th July: Sports Day
- Thursday 16th July: Cultural Day
- [Friday 17th July](#) (please see our end of term letter regarding timings and arrangements for the last day).