

Barnack C of E Primary School - Update for the Parish Council (May 2022)

Since arriving at Barnack Primary School in January 2020, the Executive Head (Colette Firth) and Head of School (Amy Jones) have undertaken vast school improvement to move the school from 'requires improvement' to a 'good' school. High quality teaching and Learning has been at the forefront of the school improvement (we are now eagerly awaiting Ofsted's return!).

The school has seven classes (Reception - Year 6) with 169 pupils currently attending. Over the last two and a half years, we have seen numbers for our Reception class increased with 28 children on the list for September 2022.

The school has had extensive work carried out, this was funded by the Local Authority as part of their commitment to school improvement and school places. The total cost is still under review as more work is being completed during the summer holiday, but is likely to be in excess of £800,000. The building work includes a new classroom and entrance for the school, new children's toilet facilities, the fixing of the flat roof in the original area of the school and a new fence around the perimeter of the school.

The work also includes the new multi use games area (MUGA) - thank you to the Parish Council for supporting the school with this, Debbie Lines has worked tirelessly to ensure . The MUGA will bring a lot of joy to the community and our children will benefit from this during PE lessons and during their breaks and lunches.

A lot of work has gone into developing the curriculum we teach. Our curriculum is a broad, balanced curriculum in which we continually strive for high standards. The design of the curriculum centres around a "Big Question". This creates meaning and purpose with real-life situations often being brought to the front as well as abstract concepts.

We are excited about the developments at Barnack Primary School and all the opportunities the children have to thrive and flourish.

Amy Jones

Head of School

