

Barnsley Gym Club

Newsletter



COVID-19 secure

What we're doing!

To stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, we are strictly following the guidance laid out by our governing body and the government. Please help by following guidelines. More info can be seen on our Facebook page.

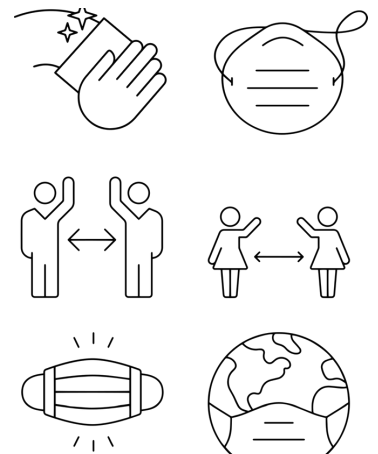
- Please encourage your children to maintain hand washing
- Parents please wear masks in the gym.
- We have hand sanitiser in reception- please use on entry to the gym.
- Social distancing (2 metres) is, as ever, super important.

Did you know that 2 metres is the average length of a grizzly bear?

We are open!

It's business as usual- with social distancing.

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Welcome to our new club manager



We're sorry to say goodbye to Nick Appleyard who has worked really hard on behalf of the club for six years. After several interviews the Directors appointed Vasiliki Scurfield. Vasiliki was one of the original founding members of the club and managed it for 8 yrs so she has a lot of experience not only with managing a gymnastics club but specifically with our club.

She also has a deep love for the club and a desire to see it excel.

Vasiliki (aka Viki), will be in the club 4 days a week, usually during club opening hours. If you want to talk to her to share ideas or simply meet her, she can be reached on barnsleygym@gmail.com or pop into the office.

Volunteer Opportunities

We need you!

We desperately need volunteers for all sorts of things, for instance:

- cleaning
- painting
- fundraising (this is a biggie)
- spreading the word about the club (including leaflet distribution)
- creating an 'You've achieved' photography corner
- finishing off loos and office

and many, many other things as they arise.

We'd like to start a parents' fundraising committee. If you have expertise and/ or time that you're willing to share then please get in touch.

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Please support our coffee shop!

Our coffee shop is still here. You can still order a coffee from us and a cake!

BG membership is now due!

As with last year, each gymnast's parent/guardian has to do their child's membership directly via BG. If you need any help finding the site or managing the process, please let Vasiliki know and she'll do her best to help.

Remember- no membership= no insurance=no class!

Thank you

Michelle for getting us the paint to paint our club. We really appreciate it.

Coming soon

Badges/ certificates

Badges/ certificates are back! Sometimes it feels like there's not much to look forward to in these uncertain times, so we're bringing back badges. After a very sedentary lockdown, it's more important than ever that our children exercise regularly, so to increase their motivation and give them something to look forward to, we're bringing back rewards for skills achievement. Badge assessments will take place every two months in the last week of the second month.

There will be a charge for badges I'm afraid but we will do our best to keep it to a minimum.

Bring a friend!

We're not going to lie to you. If we don't get numbers up soon the club's future will be at risk. So to get more children through the door we're inviting gymnasts to bring their friends for a taster. Please let us know if you're bringing someone so that we can make sure we stay within COVID safe limits and of course children will continue to be socially distanced. Please spread the word and help us increase our numbers.

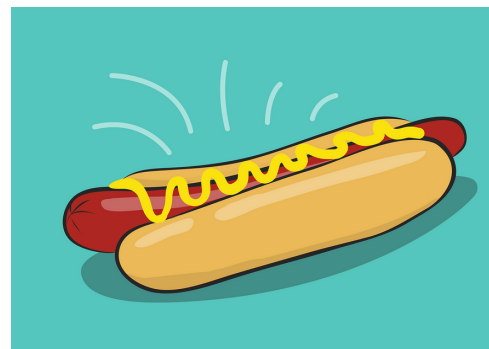
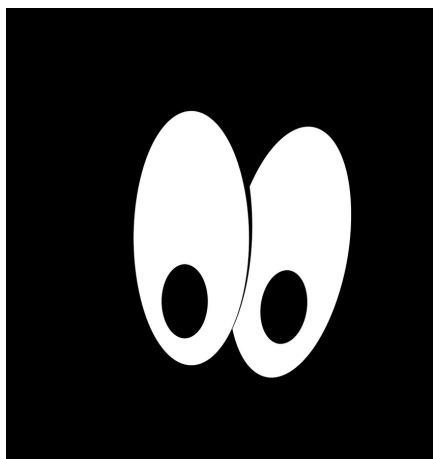




Is anyone interested in a parents' book club? The idea is we choose one book each month, read it and then discuss it in a monthly meeting which can be done on zoom, socially distanced in the club or in a hybrid. If you are interested please get in touch!

Watching week

We're hoping to get watching weeks up and running. Obviously they'll be fundamentally different. We anticipate parents will have to book in and we will try and raise funds for the club by charging a small fee per person (probably around a £1) Watch our Facebook page and the notice wall in the gym for more details. (It'll take us a while to get it up and running so that we can be sure to remain COVID-19 safe)



Hotdogs will be available in our coffee shop soon. You can ring in and order them and we can deliver them to your car or you can nip in (with a mask) and collect them. The same applies now for coffee, cake, crisps etc. If you can bake and donate a cake (because who doesn't love a home made cake?) then we'd be very grateful. They always go down well!

Everything feels better with homemade cake!