

DIARY DATES

Dates for the School Year can be found on our website. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to the calendar.

Thursday 7th December Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day



Thursday 7th December & Friday 8th December

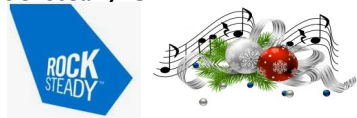
KSI Nativity



Friday 8th December Year 6 visit to Royal Opera House National Create Dance Day



Tuesday 12th December Rocksteady Christmas Concert



Wednesday 13th December Bi-Annual Christmas Fair



Friday 15th December Year 6 visit to the National Holocaust Centre & Museum



Governor Meetings

FGB Meeting
Tuesday 5th December 2023



To see the latest Fobs minutes
please click [here](#).



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Barrowby Church of England Primary School

As a Church school family, we strive for excellence, ensuring that we all feel happy, valued and loved. We aim to provide an exciting, innovative, and relevant curriculum that enables all to 'shine' and develop as creative, respectful and independent citizens. We seek to promote equal opportunities for all so that each individual is encouraged to achieve their full potential and become lifelong learners who can make a positive contribution to society.

Newsletter 1st December 2023

The people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow a light has dawned." Matthew 4: 16

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow, what a wonderful Reception Christmas Show I have just enjoyed sharing with our Reception parents. The festive season is definitely upon us. I can't wait for the Key Stage 1 Nativity next week and look forward to sharing that with their parents. I do hope you enjoy reading this week's Newsletter and learning a little bit more about school life.

Len Batey-Headteacher

Events In School Christmas Tree Festival



On Monday 27th November, Mrs Holmes and Mr Batey ventured down to St Wulfram's Church to add our school's Christmas tree to this year's Christmas Tree Festival. The festival is open now and closes on Sunday 3rd December. If you do visit the festival please take a photograph of you and your child with the tree and email them to school. They'll be published in next week's Newsletter. Thank you to Mr Batey and Mrs Holmes for setting up the tree and to Mrs Duller for helping create this year's special baubles depicting different aspects of school life. I wonder what you will see?

Year 6 Bunting Day

On Tuesday 28th November, the Year 6 classroom was turned into a sewing workshop! The children spent all day on their DT project for this term... bunting! The children all independently measured out their bunting, sewed their flags together, double lined them, then stitched them onto their bias binding.



Some children even went home that evening and made some more flags for their bunting as they were so inspired. Have a look at what they made!



CREATIVITY

Imagination
Personalisation
Experimentation
Choice
Uniqueness
Individuality
Freedom
Risk-taking
Self-belief
Artistic
Curiosity
Improvisation

RESPECT

Valuing others
Caring
Maturity
Team-work
Empathy
Consequences
Relationships
Understanding
Respect
Communication
Manners
Initiative

INDEPENDENCE

Initiative
Independence
Leadership
Organisation
Motivation
Confidence
Assertiveness
Accountability
Reflective

Happy

Valued

Loved

Reception Christmas Assembly

On Friday 1st December our youngest children in the school performed their Reception Christmas Show for their delighted parents.

They performed two songs: Little Donkey and 5 Little Elves. The children sung beautifully and the audience thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A huge thank you to all those family members who joined us this morning for this very special performance and to Mrs Assenza (Parent Governor) for her kind words at the end of the show.



Cast of Little Donkey



Reception 2023



Cast of 5 Little elves

Thanks also must go to Mrs Selby, Mrs Banfield-without whom none of this would be possible; supported by Mrs Hart, Miss Smith and Mrs Watson for all they do for our Reception children.

We have received the following kind message from another of our school governors, Revd Sarah.

"What a lovely Christmas show this morning from the reception children. They looked wonderful but most of all the confidence shown by them in performing to an audience, with such clear and joyful singing was a delight. You could hear every word! It was a joy and a huge well done to all the children and staff for all your hard work. Thank you for inviting me. Blessings."

Christmas Post Box

Can you believe it's that time of year again? Our Christmas post-box is back! This years post-box is a Christmas countdown clock which has been designed by one of our Year 6 pupils.

From next week, Monday 3rd December, children can start to bring in their Christmas cards to post, and our 'Christmas Post Team' will sort them and send them to the correct classrooms. Please make sure your child's Christmas cards clearly say the name of the child, and the class they are in. For example 'Jack Frost, Mrs Banfield's class'. Well done again for the inspiring design and to the Creative Team, and Mrs Kay for bringing the design to life!



E-Safety Newsletter

The E-safety Newsletter December 23 edition focuses on Age ratings and Snapchat. It informs you of the age ratings for various apps such as Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp. It also discusses what Snapchat is and its different safety features. Please click [here](#) to read the Newsletter.

Year 5 LIVES First Aid Training

On **Tuesday 5th December** we have LIVES in school to deliver first aid training to our year 5 children. This is subsidised by the school.



How and when to make a 999 call

How to identify an unresponsive casualty

How to perform bystander CPR

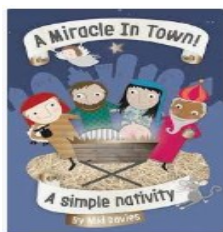
What a defibrillator is

Recovery position



Parental Reminders

KSI Nativity



It's that time of year again when we all look forward to the Christmas events in school. One of the highlights being the Key Stage 1 Nativity, this year the performance will be 'A Miracle In town'.

This will take place in school on **Thursday 7th December at 2.00pm** and **Friday 8th December at 9.30am**. Please could all costumes be in school for **Friday 1st December** for photographs and dress rehearsal.

Year 6 Royal Opera House Create Day

On **Friday 8th December**, our Year 6 children have been chosen to participate in the Royal Opera house National Dance Create Day. The culmination of their efforts will be a live performance on 2nd July 2024.

All children are required to have their full PE kit and a water bottle in school for this visit. The children will eat their lunch, at school before departure. The children will be transported to St Wulfram's Church and returned to school by coach. The children will return to school for the end of the school day at 3.15pm.



ROYAL
OPERA
HOUSE

NATIONAL
SCHOOLS
PROGRAMME

Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

On **Thursday 7th December**, our school will be taking part in Save The Children's Christmas Jumper Day.

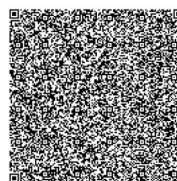
Children can come to school in their Christmas Jumper and uniform, remember there is no need to buy a new jumper, your child can wear a winter jumper.

We appreciate financial times continue to be difficult so please remember donations are optional and any amount you can spare makes the world of difference.

This year, the suggested donation of £2.00 could pay for a pair of shoes to keep a baby in Afghanistan warm through winter or £5 could pay for a maths pack to make sure a child in the UK is ready for school.

There are two ways you can make a donation, simply click on the link below or scan the QR code provided -

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230032174>



Bi-Annual Christmas Fair



Our bi-annual Christmas Fair is fast approaching and doors will open on **Wednesday 13th December**, from 5.00pm - 7.00 pm. There are stalls with lots of gift ideas. Each class also has a stall at the fair, and the children are busy making their items to sell. There will be refreshments served by FoBS, and a super Christmas raffle with a whole host of great prizes to be won.

Entry into the Christmas Fair is £1 per person, with under 5s being free. All proceeds raised will go towards this year's Year 6 Legacy gift.

We very much look forward to seeing you all there enjoying the refreshments while doing some Christmas shopping. Come and spread a little festive joy!



Barrowby CE Primary Bi-Annual Christmas Fair



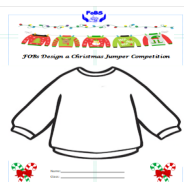
FOBs Design a Christmas Jumper Competition

Our wonderful FOBs members would like to invite all children to get creative and design their ideal Christmas jumper!

Entries are £1 and all proceeds raised will go directly towards future school projects that benefit all children in the school.

Entries will be judged by the School Fundraising Committee and winners will be awarded in the following categories -

- Reception,
- Year 1 and Year 2,
- Year 3 and Year 4
- Year 5 and Year 6.



Prizes will be presented to the children on the Christmas Party Day, Tuesday 19th December. **Please hand completed entries along with the £1 entry fee to your child's class teacher by Friday 15th December. Please ensure all entries are completed with your child's name and class.**



Year 6 visit to National Holocaust Centre

On **Friday 15th December**, our year 6 children will visit the National Holocaust Museum at Newark. If you have not ordered a meal with our hot school meal provider for your child on this day, please ensure your child is provided with a packed lunch and a water bottle for this visit.



Please ensure that your child arrive at school at 8.45am for a prompt departure from school at 9.00am to the centre. The children are expected to arrive back at school in time for the end of the day at 3.15pm.

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Party Day



This year, Christmas Parties for all classes will take place on **Tuesday 19th December**.

Children should come to school wearing a Christmas jumper and or party clothes, they will enjoy Christmas games in the morning, and our Reception and Key Stage 1 children will even have a secret 'virtual' visitor (as long as the elf-mail is working).

Once again, we will be enjoying a traditional Christmas lunch with crackers in the school hall. Please ensure that if you wish your child to have a Christmas lunch that this is ordered from The Farm Kitchen by **10.00am on Tuesday 12th December**.

In the afternoon, the whole school will enjoy a performance from the West Midlands Children's Theatre, with their Pantomime, 'Sinbad,' in the school hall.

Once again, thanks to our fundraising efforts, we are able to fund this pantomime, the gifts from Santa and the Christmas crackers, through FOBs – many thanks to everyone.

Church Christmas Service

Our School Christmas Service will take place in Barrowby Church, on Wednesday **20th December 2023** at 9.15am.

This year we would like to welcome parents to the service. There is a limited number of seats in the church and due to the amount of families, we hope to be able to offer one ticket per family on a first come first served basis.

If you would like a ticket please complete the form provided on your Parentmail below by **Friday 15th December at 10.00am**.



Once the deadline for tickets has closed, we will notify you via Parentmail if you have been allocated a ticket for this event on **Monday 18th December**.

I look forward to sharing this event with you.



Wrap Around Care Booking Update

To create a more streamlined booking process, from Thursday 1st February you will now be able to select your booking requirements for Breakfast and After-School club on the one template on your Iris Parentmail App.

For assistance making your bookings, please refer to the instruction guide provided to you in our Wrap Around Care bookings update letter provided on Parentmail. For all bookings prior to this date, please continue to make bookings as you would normally do so.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office on 01476 566121.



Key Stage 2 New Year Disco



On **Tuesday 9th January 2024**, we will hold our Key Stage 2 New Year Disco from 3.30pm until 5.15pm.

Tickets for this cost £4.00 per child. These will be on sale from **Wednesday 3rd January 2024 to Monday 8th January 2024**. They will be sold by their class teacher in their classrooms-each day.

The ticket price includes:

Disco

Food and Drink (provided by FoBS)

Entry into the Prize Raffle

Children should come to school in school uniform and bring their disco clothes with them. At the end of the school day, they will then get changed before enjoying the disco.

We look forward to seeing the children enjoying themselves at this very popular event in our calendar.

Dates for your diary.....

Friday 1st December - Reception Christmas Assembly
Friday 1st December - Year 5 visit to National Space Centre
Thursday 7th December - KSI Nativity
Thursday 7th December - Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 8th December - KSI Nativity
Tuesday 12th December - Rocksteady Christmas Concert
Wednesday 13th December - Bi-Annual Christmas Fair
Friday 15th December - Year 6 visit to Holocaust Centre
Tuesday 19th December - Christmas Party Day & Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Service,
All Saint's Church, Barrowby
Wednesday 20th December - Last day of term
Tuesday 9th January - FOBs KS2 Disco



Reception Admissions September 2024

Our Open Day appointments are now open and we are welcoming prospective parents to visit to our school.

Do you have a child or know someone who has a child starting school in September 2024? We have our Open Day bookings available, these take place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We will be providing visits up until Thursday 14th December.

You will be provided with a one to one tour of the school with the Headteacher, Mr Batey. If you would like to arrange an appointment, please contact the school office on 01476 566121 to arrange a suitable appointment for you.





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Grantham, Lincolnshire
NG32 1BX

Barrowby Church of England Primary School

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WE ALWAYS STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

"Make your light shine so that others can see the good that you do" - Matthew 5:16





CREATIVITY



RESPECT



INDEPENDENCE

Come and join our school family:
Tel: 01476 566121 Email: enquiries@barrowby.lincs.sch.uk



Hot School Meals

Have you ordered your hot school meals with our hot school meal provider, The Farm Kitchen? The deadline for ordering your hot school meals for the return to school after half-term for the week commencing **Monday 11th December** is **Tuesday 5th December at 3.00pm.**



BARROWBY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Farm Kitchen - Hot School Meals - Menu Sheet

Mon 11 December - Fri 15 December



	Monday 11 December	Tuesday 12 December	Wednesday 13 December	Thursday 14 December	Friday 15 December
Main Course 1	Lincolnshire Beef Bolognese, Pasta, Green Beans and Peas	Puff Pastry Cheese Finger, Mashed Potatoes and Baked Beans	Lincolnshire Beefburger, Bread Roll, Diced Potatoes, Salad Platter and Ketchup	Roast Pork served with Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Jumbo Fishfinger Sub Roll, Salad Platter, Ketchup and Sweetcorn
or					
Main Course 2	Jacket Potato, Baked Beans, Vegetable Sticks	Pasta Neapolitan, Crusty Bread and Vegetable Sticks	Jacket Potato, Veggie Bolognese and a Salad Platter	Egg Mayonnaise Baguette and Cucumber Slices	Jacket Potato, Grated Cheese and a Mixed Salad
or					
Vegetarian Option	Veggie Bolognese, Pasta, Green Beans and Peas	Lentil and Vegetable Hotpot with Mashed Potato and Carrots	Quorn Burger in a Roll, Diced Potatoes, Salad Platter and Tomato Ketchup	Vegan Strips in Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Veggie Finger Sub Roll, Salad Platter, Ketchup and Sweetcorn
Pudding 1	Frozen Strawberry Mousse (not suitable for vegetarians)	Oaty Apple and Peach Crumble and Custard	Slice of Melon and Mini Shortbread	Chocolate Banana Bread Cake	Apple Flapjack
or					
Pudding 2	Individual Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Strawberry Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Strawberry Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt
or					
Fruit	Apples - individual	Banana - individual	Satsuma - individual	Apples - individual	Banana - individual



Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

489

CHICHESTER

435

SCOTT

439



SAVE the DATE!



**TUESDAY 19TH
DECEMBER BY 3PM**

You'll need to order your child's school lunches for the first week back at school in January by this time.

The menus are now live on the ordering system.

Any orders placed after this time unfortunately can't be fulfilled.

MUSIC FOR SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

LEARN TO PLAY FLUTE, CLARINET, SAXOPHONE, CORNET OR TRUMPET!

If you would like to start lessons, just come and see us or ask at your school office!



0345 375 2466

Your MfSF Tutor is

MIR WHITE

Lessons are held on

MONDAY

info@mfsf.org.uk



www.mfsf.org.uk

Dysart Park Carols at the Bandstand

Celebrate Christmas with carols in the beautiful surroundings of Dysart Park!

Buy your ticket at
Grantham's Christmas Fayre
(3rd December 11am-5pm),
or on the day
(subject to availability).

Light refreshments
will be available.

Please note that parking and
toilet facilities are limited.

**FREE
EVENT**
FOR THE GRANTHAM
COMMUNITY

walking nativity
starting at St. Anne's
2-3pm

Sun 10 December
2-4pm



Dysart Park EVENTS

@DysartPark @DysartParkAG Dysart Park, Houghton Road, Grantham, NG31 6JD