

## DIARY DATES

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### Wednesday 3rd January

Return to school



### Tuesday 9th January

FOBs KS2 New Year Disco



### Thursday 11th January

Parent Workshop - Year 3

Residential Visit



### Thursday 18th January

Year 2 & Year 3 Roots To Food

Workshop



### Friday 19th January

Large Schools Sportshall Athletics -

Selected children



### Monday 22nd January

Extra-Curricular Clubs/Activities

Commence



### Governor Meetings

FGB Meeting

Tuesday 30th January 2024



Tuesday 9th January

FOBs KS2 New Year Disco



## 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 20th December 2023

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6*

Dear Parents/Carers

Well here it is the very last day of the Autumn term. Yeah! I hear you all cry, it's Christmas. It's been a busy time in school over the last couple of weeks and it was lovely to see so many parents this morning at today's Christmas Service. I hope you enjoy reading a little bit more about school life and hope that your Christmas time is filled with joy and laughter. See you in the New Year.

Len Batey-Headteacher

### Events In School

#### Swimming House Tournament



To finalise the Year 5 swimming block the children had the opportunity to participate in their House Swimming Championships which saw the children compete in a range of fun-filled water based games.

The results are in: 3rd place-Chichester with 340 points; 2nd place-Armstrong with 260 points and in 1st place-Scott with 440 points. Well done to all those children that competed. The House points will be added to the score board along with those from this week's House Tournament. Ooh, exciting...

#### Year 6 Visit to National Holocaust Centre

On Friday 15th December, our year 6 children visited the National Holocaust Centre. They took part in an experience that was aimed at 10 and 11 year olds, all about Kindertransport, which is when Jewish children from Germany were evacuated to Britain.



They learnt about this through 'Leo' a fictional German Jewish boy who was 11 years old. The whole experience was completely immersive and the children (and adults!) couldn't believe what they were learning. The whole day made a lasting impact on every child, with the children asking some very insightful questions and giving some very thought-provoking answers.

Our guide commented that this was by far one of the best groups of children she had ever shown round, she couldn't believe just how respectful and engaged the children were. Mr Batey, Mrs Kay and Miss Lees were very proud of our Year 6 children.

#### CREATIVITY



#### RESPECT



#### INDEPENDENCE



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Happy

Valued

Loved

## Yew Tree Lights

On Monday 18th December, we were busy getting our two Yew trees decorated as the festive period enters full swing! On the theme of sustainability the children of Barrowby CE Primary School have created a number of eco-friendly decorations using natural materials, accompanied by solar powered lights.

Please take a look at all of the wonderfully decorated trees which can be displayed on the trees within the church grounds - we hope 'yew' all enjoy them!



## Christmas House Tournament

A huge thank you to our Sports Committee and Miss Smith for organising such a fun, competitive Christmas event! Each class took it in turns to complete two tasks in their House teams.

The first activity was 'Cheeky elf treats'. In House teams, children took it in turns to run into the middle of the hall and "steal" a Christmas toy, then took it back to their hoop and continued until all the toys were gone. Then the fun really started! They could now steal a toy from another team's hoop! When the timer ran out the toys were counted. Each toy = 1 point. If they found the King Sprout they would score an extra 10 points! The second activity was the 'Christmas Chimney Dash' as the children had to complete the obstacle course and deliver the present to score points for their House. The final event was the snowball fight! The children were needing to throw their snowball in the buckets to score points for their Houses.



Here are the results: Third Place: Chichester - 340 Points Second Place: Armstrong 360 Points and First Place with 440 Points - Scott

Well done to all children, what a fun event! A special well done to our Sports Committee: Year 5 and 6 children who are House Captains and Bronze Ambassadors. They were exemplary role models for all children and demonstrated our three core values: Creativity, Respect and Independence throughout the event. Well done guys!

## Christmas Party Day

What an amazing Party Day, on Tuesday 19th December! The morning started with party games in the hall where prizes were given for musical statues and best dancers. Afterwards, the children watched in awe as Santa visited our school over night, delivering a sack full of presents to each classroom.

After a traditional game of Pass the Parcel, the children were treated to a full Christmas turkey dinner and pudding, including a festive Christmas cracker. We rounded the day off by watching the pantomime, 'Sinbad'. "Oh no we didn't!" Lots of fun and laughter was had by all. What a wonderful day!



## Pantomime - Sinbad

As part of a busy last week in school and as part of Christmas Party Day, the whole school were treated to a pantomime performance of Sinbad the Sailor from a professional theatre company. We were swept along on an exciting adventure with Sinbad, and his eccentric mother, to retrieve a magical ring

which had been stolen from the King. The children enjoyed joining in with plenty of 'they're behind you!' and 'oh no I didn't - oh yes you did!'

Some children even went up on stage to help Sinbad with his plan to get back the magical ring. Eventually, the ring was taken back from the King's evil brother on Snake Island following an elaborate trick, which was only possible with all the children's help. We all left the hall with a festive feel-good factor that only pantomime around Christmastime can give you! Thank you to FoBs for funding the Pantomime for all to enjoy.

## Christmas Church Service

On Wednesday 20th December, our school community came together to enjoy our Christmas Church Service at Barrowby All Saint's Church. The children sang beautiful Christmas carols and we were treated to a performance of One Bright Star by Year 5 and 6. Our Year 4 children also performed two songs on their clarinets that they have been learning this term. Thank you to all our school community for coming together with us today.



## 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.

As a school we believe that communicating with parents is vitally important; ensuring our parents receive the correct information about all aspects of school life at the right time, we work very hard to communicate effectively. All of our communications to parents are issued via Parentmail.

Parentmail is an online communication tool, you are automatically registered with Parentmail when your child starts school. Parentmail helps make life for parents much easier; with your App you can:

- View messages
- Make payments electronically
- Reserve tickets for school events
- Complete forms, surveys and give permissions for school visits/events
- Book SEND review meetings and Parent-Teacher Consultations
- Make bookings for Wrap Around Care provision
- Urgent communications are issued via text message

**Please check your child's account regularly for any updates.**



Available on the  
**App Store**

**The best way to use ParentMail is to download the free app.** Using the app you can easily keep track of all messages from school (instead of cluttering your inbox!), report a pupil absence, pay for items, organise parents evenings appointments and attendance at events and complete online forms.

If you require assistance with Parentmail, please contact the school office on 01476 566121.

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It's so convenient to have all the  
ParentMail services in my pocket!"*  
★★★★★

*"Works perfectly! Texts, emails & newsletters all  
come through. I can even make appointments  
for parents' evening. Fantastic!"*  
★★★★★

**FREE DOWNLOAD**



 **ParentMail** 

Please note: If you are not already registered, you will need to register online on the ParentMail website before trying to access the App. Please ask the school office to send you a registration message

## Weekly House Point Totals

**ARMSTRONG**

**596**

**CHICHESTER**

**510**

**SCOTT**

**583**





## Parental Reminders



### 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 and **Entry into the Prize Raffle**)

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

### Parent Workshop - Year 3 Residential Visit

On Thursday 11th January 2024, we will be holding an information evening regarding the proposed residential visit to PGL for our year 3 children that will be in year 4 in the Autumn term. This will take place from 5.00pm - 6.00pm in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you there.



### Last Day of Term

Our last day of term will be Wednesday 20th December at 3.15pm.

### Return to school

We return to school on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.



## The Farm Kitchen - 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 week commencing Monday 8th January is Tuesday 2nd January at 3.00pm.



### BARROWBY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### The Farm Kitchen - Hot School Meals - Menu Sheet

Mon 8 January - Fri 12 January



	Monday 8 January	Tuesday 9 January	Wednesday 10 January	Thursday 11 January	Friday 12 January
Main Course 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza, Sweetcorn and Cucumber Slices	Lincolnshire Beefburger in a Roll, Diced Potatoes, Peas and Ketchup	Cottage Pie, Carrots, Cabbage, Peas and Gravy	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans and Gravy	Jumbo Fishfinger, Mashed Potatoes and Baked Beans
					
Main Course 2	Jacket Potato, Baked Beans and Cucumber Slices	Sausage Hotpot, Diced Potatoes and Peas	Cheese Sandwiches with Carrot Sticks	Cauliflower Cheese, Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans and Gravy	Jacket Potato, Grated Cheese and Vegetable Sticks
					
Main Course 3				Packed Lunch - Grated Cheese and Sweetcorn Mayo Submarine Roll, Vegetable Sticks, Ginger Shortbread and an Apple (PLEASE DO NOT ORDER FOR SCHOOL TRIPS)	Packed Lunch - Tuna and Sweetcorn Mayonnaise Roll, Carrot Sticks, Chocolate Banana Bread and an Apple (PLEASE DO NOT ORDER FOR SCHOOL TRIPS)
					
Vegetarian Option	Jacket Potato, Veggie Bolognese and Cucumber Slices	Vegetable Hotpot topped with Sliced Potatoes and Peas	Cheese and Potato Bake, Carrots, Cabbage and Peas	Vegan Strips in Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Green Beans	Veggie Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes and Baked Beans
Pudding 1	Orange Drizzle Cake	Oaty Apple Crumble and Custard	Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Peach Slices and Ginger Shortbread	Orange Jelly (not suitable for vegetarians)
					
Pudding 2	Individual Yeo Valley Strawberry Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Strawberry Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt	Individual Yeo Valley Strawberry Yoghurt
					
Fruit	Apples - individual	Satsuma - individual	Banana - individual	Satsuma - individual	Apples - individual
Packed Lunch	Packed Lunch - Cheese Sandwich, Cucumber Slices, Orange Drizzle Cake and an Apple (PLEASE DO NOT ORDER FOR SCHOOL TRIPS)	Packed Lunch - Ham Mayo Salad Wrap, Cucumber Slices, Yeo Valley Mango and Vanilla Yoghurt, Apple (PLEASE DO NOT ORDER FOR SCHOOL TRIPS)	Packed Lunch - Egg Mayonnaise Sandwiches, Carrot Sticks, Cheese Portions and Chocolate Cornflake Cake (PLEASE DO NOT ORDER FOR SCHOOL TRIPS)		





# THEME DAYS



**COMPETITION DAY**  
**THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY**



**NATIONAL  
STORYTELLING WEEK**  
**MONDAY 29TH JANUARY**



**VALENTINE'S DAY**  
**FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY**

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# WINTER COMPETITION DAY

THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY



ORDER OUR WINTER ICED CHOCOLATE CAKE,  
AND BE IN WITH A CHANCE OF WINNING A PRIZE  
– FIND THE HIDDEN GOLDEN TICKET  
TO WIN A PRIZE!



ORDER DEADLINE: TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY BY 3PM

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY ASSISTANCE ORDERING THE MEAL,  
PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US AT  
[ENQUIRIES@THEFARMKITCHEN.COM](mailto:ENQUIRIES@THEFARMKITCHEN.COM)  
BEFORE THE ORDER DEADLINE.



Christmas at Barrowby Church

**Christmas Eve**  
**3.00pm**

Children are invited to decorate  
our little Yew Trees

**3.30pm**

**Birthday Party**  
**for Jesus**

***Puppets, balloons,***  
***cake and more!***

**4.00pm**

**Carols**  
**round the**

**Decorated Trees**

**Followed by refreshments in church**





Christmas at  
Barrowby Church

# Christmas Day

8.30am

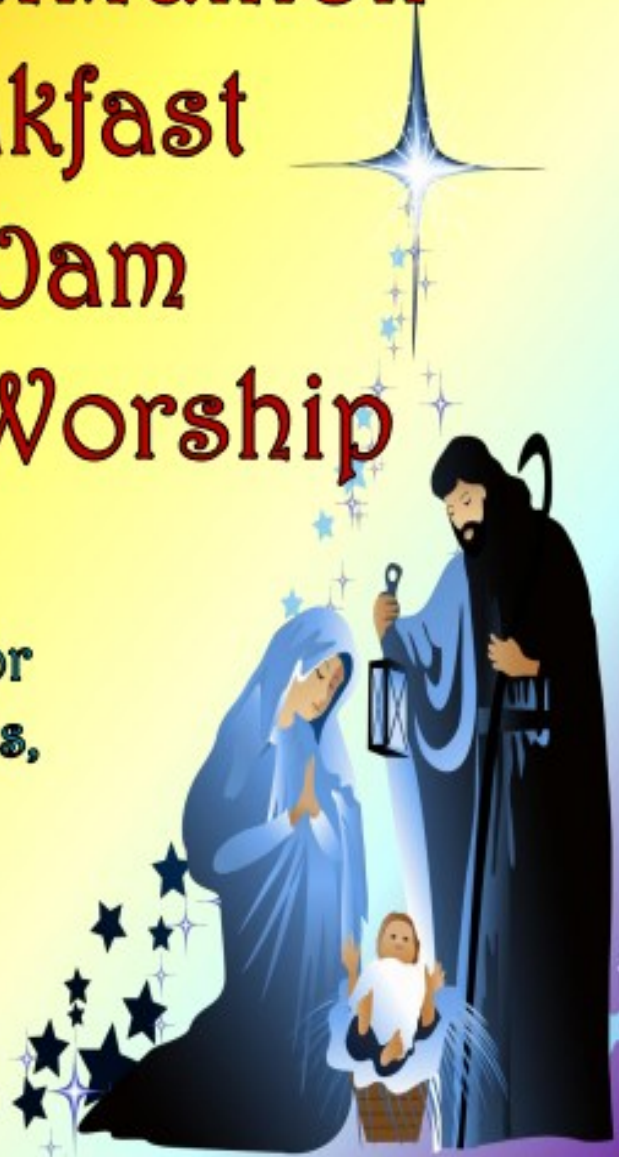
Holy Communion

Breakfast

10.00am

Family Worship

Everyone welcome for  
either or both services,  
and breakfast,  
on this special day.



# All Saints Church Barrowby "Twelfth Night Revels"



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
6pm-9pm

Live Music, Singing,  
Party Games,  
(to join in with if you would like)  
Donation Bar, Raffle.



£5 per person  
to include a festive drink  
and party nibbles

A fundraiser to help keep our church warm  
and bright for our whole community to  
enjoy.

To buy a ticket please contact Sarah C  
on 07729 259997

Ps. Bring plenty of change

