

## DIARY DATES

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



# Barrowby Church of England Primary School

**Our School's Vision:** 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 17th October 2025

*Do not be anxious about anything, but by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*

Philippians 4:6,7

Dear Parents/Carers

We are incredibly proud of how well the children are doing across the school this term. Their enthusiasm for learning is shining through in the fantastic work being produced in classrooms and during school visits. From creative writing to science investigations, from historical workshops to outdoor learning and sporting tournaments, it's been wonderful to see such high levels of engagement and achievement.

We're especially excited to welcome parents to two important events in the coming weeks. Firstly, the SEND Meetings – taking place next Thursday, where we'll share updates and support strategies for children with additional needs. Followed by our Parent/Teacher Consultations, after half-term – a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their successes.

At our school, we are committed to fostering a safe, respectful, and supportive environment for all children. This includes not only physical safety, but also emotional wellbeing and digital responsibility.

In school, we promote kindness, inclusivity, and clear boundaries to help children feel secure and confident. Our staff work hard to ensure classrooms are nurturing spaces where every child can thrive.

As part of our commitment in keeping children safe, we've introduced a Mobile Device Usage Policy to help reduce distractions and safeguard our children. As part of our commitment to creating a focused and safe learning environment, children are not permitted to wear smart watches in school that can take photographs or record audio/video or can receive messages or texts.

These devices can be distracting and may compromise privacy and safeguarding. For full details, please [CLICK HERE](#) to visit our school website and read the new policy in its entirety.

Thank you for your continued support, trust and understanding – together we can make a real difference. I hope you enjoy reading this week's Newsletter and learning a little bit more about school life.

Len Batey-Headteacher

## Thursday 23rd October

Girl's Football Tournament  
Selected Children



## Thursday 23rd October

Laster day of term



## Monday 3rd November

Return To School



## Thursday 6th November

Individual School Photographs



## Thursday 13th November

Parent - Teacher Consultations



## Friday 14th November

Children In Need



## Thursday 20th November

Parent - Teacher Consultations



## Governor Meetings

Tuesday 14th October 2025  
FGB



Friday 17th October 2025  
Family Games Night

### CREATIVITY

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

### RESPECT

Valuing others  
Caring  
Maturity  
Team-work  
Empathy  
Consequences  
Relationships  
Understanding  
RESPECT  
Manners  
Communication  
Pride  
Thoughtfulness

### INDEPENDENCE

Initiative  
INDEPENDENCE  
Leadership  
Organisation  
Motivation  
Diligence  
Confidence  
Assertiveness  
Accountability  
Reflective



Visit our school's page by  
[CLICKING HERE.](#)

Happy

Valued

Loved

## Young Ambassadors Begin Their Leadership Journey

On Monday evening, three of our four Young Ambassadors took part in an inspiring twilight training session led by *Inspire+*. Joined by Young Ambassadors from other local schools, they explored what it means to be a successful leader and how they can make a positive impact within our school community.

*inspire* +

The session encouraged them to reflect on the qualities of strong leadership and the powerful connection between sport and our physical and emotional wellbeing. They discussed how sport can help us feel stronger, more confident, and more united - values they hope to promote throughout the school year.

Looking ahead, our Young Ambassadors will be working closely with our House Captains to form a Sports Committee. Together, they'll begin shaping their vision for the kind of leaders they aspire to be - leaders who inspire, include, and energise others.

We're incredibly proud of their enthusiasm and commitment, and we can't wait to see the positive changes they'll bring to our school.



### Grantham Foodbank Donations

We would like to extend our deepest thanks to all the parents and families who generously contributed to our Harvest Festival collection, this year. Your kindness and support have made a real difference.

Thanks to your donations, the Fundraising Committee was able to sort and bag up an incredible amount of food, which has now been delivered to the local Foodbank. In total, **11 crates of food** were donated – a truly remarkable achievement!

These donations will go a long way in supporting local families who are facing hardship, especially during this time of year when the need is greatest. The foodbank team expressed their sincere gratitude and shared how these contributions will help ensure that families in our community have access to essential items and meals. Your generosity reflects the spirit of the Harvest Festival – coming together to share and support one another. Thank you once again for your compassion and community spirit.

### Year 5 11+ Parent Workshop

We would like to thank all the parents and carers who attended our 11+ Workshop on Thursday 16th October. It was a pleasure to welcome you and share how we support pupils in school as they prepare for the 11+ assessments.



During the session, we explored the different ways children are supported in class, and discussed practical strategies for how parents can help your child at home. We also shared a range of useful resources that parents may find helpful in developing key skills such as verbal reasoning, non-verbal reasoning, and comprehension.

Looking ahead, we're pleased to confirm that our 11+ Club will begin after Christmas. This club is open to children who wish to further develop their critical thinking skills in a fun and engaging environment. More details will follow closer to the time.

Thank you once again for your continued support and engagement and we hope you found the session useful. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the presentation that was shared.



### Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Houghton, who will be joining us after half-term as both a Teaching Assistant (TA) and Midday Supervisory Assistant (MSA). We're excited to have her on board and know she'll be a fantastic addition to our team, supporting our pupils both in the classroom and during lunchtimes.

We would also like to extend our congratulations to Mrs Walton, who will be starting her new role as a Relief WRAC Supervisor. We are thrilled to have her stepping into this position and look forward to the positive impact she will bring to this role.



### Mixed Football Tournament

We are thrilled to announce that our Year 5 and 6 Football Team triumphed at the Football Tournament held at King's Playing Field on Thursday 16th October!



The team displayed outstanding skill, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the competition. From precise passing and confident ball control to strategic positioning and powerful shots on goal, every player contributed to a performance that was both exciting and inspiring.

What truly stood out was the incredible teamwork. The players communicated effectively, supported one another, and showed great resilience under pressure. Their unity and mutual encouragement were key to their success and a wonderful example of what can be achieved when we work together. True shining stars!

A huge well done to all the players. Thank you to Mr Olalere for giving his time to train the team and to the parents and guardians who stayed to cheer the children on from the sidelines. Go team barrowby!

### FOBs Family Bingo Night

Today, Friday 17th October 2025 we will be hosting our 'Family bingo and games night' in school. This will be held in the school hall and the doors will be open at 5.00pm when there will be an opportunity to come along, enjoy some refreshments and meet some of the other parents before the proceedings commence.

First game will begin at 5.30pm and the event is expected to finish at approximately 7.00pm. Tickets will be priced at £1.50 each, payable on the evening and this includes one FREE bingo game. There will be a total of 4 games on the evening including a mystery picture round. Additional game entries will be available to purchase on the evening at 50p along with a selection of refreshments including hotdogs! There will be some great prizes on offer.

This event is open to young and old, the more the merrier. Eyes down for a full house!! This is a great way to support FOBS in raising money for the school whilst having fun and possibly winning a few prizes.

All funds raised from the event will go towards future school projects that benefit all children in the school. We do hope you can join us and we look forward to seeing you there!

**FOBS  
BINGO &  
GAMES  
NIGHT**

*Join us in the school hall for an evening of fun, excitement, and fantastic prizes at our annual Bingo Games Night!*

**Games | Prizes | Food**

**17 OCTOBER  
5.30 - 7PM**

**£1.50 pp including a FREE game!  
Get your ticket NOW!**

The poster features a red background with white and yellow text. It includes illustrations of three bingo cards (blue, green, and red) and several bingo balls with numbers 8, 9, and 2. A central graphic shows a hand holding a bingo ball with the number 8, and a speech bubble saying "LET'S JOIN!". The overall design is festive and celebratory.

## Parent Reminders

### Girl's Football Tournament - Selected Children

The Key Stage 2 Girl's Football Tournament takes place on Thursday 23rd October at The Kings School playing field. If your child is in Year 6, your child will be having their swimming lesson at the Meres Leisure Centre with their class, please arrange the collection of your child from **Grantham Meres Leisure Centre at 11.30am** so they can be taken to the tournament.



If your child is not in Year 6, please arrange the collection of your child from school at 11.30am. You will need to arrive at 11.45am at the Kings School Playing Field to meet Mrs Ward.

The expected finishing time is 3:30pm. As this means leaving the school before lunch time, please can you provide your child with a packed lunch.



### SEND Review Meetings

Our SEND Review meetings will take place on **Thursday 23rd October 2025** in school. The appointments will run from 3.45pm - 4.30pm, these will be available on first come first served basis.

Appointments can be made on Arbor from today, **Wednesday 8th October 2025 at 4.00pm** and booking will close on **Monday 20th October 2025 at 10.00am**.

To book your appointment -

- Open your Arbor App & Sign In
- From the Main Menu - Select SEND Review Meeting 2025 under the heading 'Guardian Consultations'
- Then from the heading 'Meetings' - **Select your child's teacher**
- Select your preferred time slot
- Press book time slot and select confirm

You will then receive an email confirming your appointment. You will also be able to view the appointment in your child's calendar as well.

It is important that we continue to support all our children and especially those with identified SEND needs. By attending these meetings, our parents have the opportunity to discuss their child/ren(s) progress against their last SEND plan, review the new proposed targets as well as discuss how they are managing now they are back at school. A truly valuable opportunity. Please contact the school office on 01476 566121 if you have any difficulties making your appointments.



### Last Day of Term

Our last day of term is Thursday 23rd October 2025, all children return to school on Monday 3rd November 2025.

### Individual School Photographs

On Thursday 6th November 2025, your child will be having their individual school photograph taken, please remind your child/ren to bring a comb/hairbrush, and make sure they are wearing their smartest uniform, including a sweatshirt or cardigan, so that they look their very best for their school photographs.



### Weekly House Point Totals

**ARMSTRONG**

**535**

**CHICHESTER**

**504**

**SCOTT**

**490**



**Barrowby CE Primary School**  
*Christmas Fair*

**Wednesday 10th December 2025**  
**5.00pm - 7.00pm**

*Would you, or anyone you know, like a stall  
at our very popular bi-annual Christmas Fair?*

*The cost is £10 per stall and  
a donation of a raffle prize.*

**Call now on 01476 566121 to speak to  
Mrs Holmes or Mrs Duller  
to secure your place.**

## Reception Admissions September 2026

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 2026? We have our Open Day bookings available, these take place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

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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## 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](mailto:enquiries@barrowby.lincs.sch.uk)

## Parent - Teacher Consultations

Our 'face to face' Parent/Teacher Consultations will take place on Thursday 13th November 2025 or Thursday 20th November 2025 between 3.45pm and 6.45pm.

Our parent/teacher consultations provide a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress as well as to exchange information. We wish to maintain close links between school and home and therefore hope that you will be able to attend.



To book your appointment -

- Open your Arbor App & Sign In
- From the Main Menu - Select Parent-Teacher Consultation 2025 under the heading 'Guardian Consultations'
- Then from the heading 'Meetings' - **Select your child's teacher**
- Select your preferred time slot
- Press book time slot and select confirm

You will then receive an email confirming your appointment. You will also be able to view the appointment in your child's calendar as well.

This facility enables you to book one 10 minute consultation per child. If booking for more than one child we ask that you leave time in between them.

Once your appointment is booked our school administrative team will use the functions of Arbor to track parental uptake.

Booking for appointments will open on **Monday 13th October 2025 at 4.00pm** and bookings will close on **Monday 27th October** at 4.00pm.

Thank you. We look forward to sharing with you updates regarding your child/ren.

## The Farm Kitchen




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 first week of term is Tuesday 21st October by 3.00pm.

### BARROWBY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Mon 3 November - Fri 7 November



	Monday 3 November	Tuesday 4 November	Wednesday 5 November	Thursday 6 November	Friday 7 November
Main Course 1 	Chicken Breast Fillet in Roll, Vegetable Rice, Cucumber Slices and Tomato Ketchup	Lincolnshire Beef Bolognaise, Pasta, Green Beans and Carrots	Lincolnshire Sausage Roll, Mashed Potato and Baked Beans	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots, Sweetcorn and Gravy	Jumbo Fishfinger, Diced Potatoes, Peas and Ketchup
Main Course 2 	Jacket Potato, Grated Cheese and Cucumber Slices	Cheese Sandwiches with Vegetable Sticks	Jacket Potato, Mild Chickpea and Vegetable Curry and Peas	Tuna and Sweetcorn Sub Roll and Vegetable Sticks	Cheese-topped Veggie Cottage Pie and Baked Beans
Vegetarian Option	Veggie Burger served in a Bread Roll, Vegetable Rice, Cucumber Slices and Tomato Ketchup	Veggie Bolognaise, Jacket Potato, Green Beans and Carrots	Puff Pastry Veggie Sausage Roll, Mashed Potatoes and Baked Beans	Cheese and Potato Bake, Green Beans, Carrots and Sweetcorn	Veggie Fingers, Diced Potatoes, Peas and Tomato Ketchup
Pudding 1 	Frozen Raspberry Ripple Mousse (contains gelatine)	Orange Jelly (contains gelatine)	Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Peach Slices and Oatmeal Cookie	Fruit Shortbread
Fruit	Apples - individual	Slice of Honeydew Melon	Apples - individual	Satsuma - individual	Satsuma - individual



# LUNCH REMINDER

The order deadline for school lunches for the first week of term is

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October by 3pm**

Ordering by this date will ensure that you children get a lovely, tasty lunch when they come back after the October half term

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact  
The Farm Kitchen - [enquiries@thefarmkitchen.com](mailto:enquiries@thefarmkitchen.com)



# Donut

forget your cash!

£1 a donut, on sale at the school gates to  
mark the end of term on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
October

**FoBS**



All Saints' Church, Barrowby

Barrowby Church

# FAMILIES SERVICE

# SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER

# 10.00AM

**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!**

Everyone welcome –  
looking forward to seeing you there.



Cakes, Cookies,  
Hot Chocolate,  
Marshmallows,  
Fruit Kebabs & more

Crafts, Lego, Games,  
Food creations  
Music & Lights

**LIGHT PARTY 2025**

**All Saints Church,  
Barrowby**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 5-7pm**

**Drop in or stay for the whole party!**

**Fancy Dress optional!**

**Admission FREE with parent/guardian**



# Sportshall

## LINCOLNSHIRE SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS SELECTION EVENT

SUN 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

GRANTHAM MERES LEISURE CENTRE – MAIN HALL

*We would like to invite any standard of athlete to attend our unique event that includes running, jumping and throwing. All athletes will be required to try all events in the trial for the purpose of selecting a team for an event in February to represent Lincolnshire. We are looking for specialists and all-rounders.*

**PRIMARY** – YEARS 4,5 AND 6 (YEAR 4 CHILDREN MUST BE AGED 9) -10AM  
(REGISTRATION) FOR A 10.30 START– 1PM

**SECONDARY** – YEARS 7, 8, 9 AND 10. 1PM REGISTRATION, FOR A 1.30PM START  
– 3.30PM.

THIS EVENT IS TO SELECT THE TEAM FOR LINCOLNSHIRE. ALL ATHLETES MUST EITHER RESIDE; WERE BORN OR GO TO SCHOOL IN LINCOLNSHIRE.

ENTER VIA [www.race-results.co.uk](http://www.race-results.co.uk). Find Sun 30<sup>th</sup> November and online entries and payments (£5 PER CHILD) must be made before midnight Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Nov. No entries on the day.

For further information contact Lincolnshire Athletics Association - Sportshall athletics co-ordinator Lisa Richardson – [lisarichardsonsports@gmail.com](mailto:lisarichardsonsports@gmail.com)

