

## DIARY DATES

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

### Thursday 13th November

Parent - Teacher Consultations



### Thursday 13th November

Year 5 Swimming Lessons Commence



### Friday 14th November

Children In Need



### Thursday 20th November

Parent - Teacher Consultations



### Friday 28th November

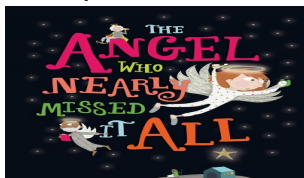
Reception Christmas Assembly



### Thursday 4th December & Friday

5th December

KSI Nativity Performance



### Governor Meetings

Tuesday 9th December 2025

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Friday 17th October 2025  
Family Games Night



## 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 7th November 2025

*You shall love your neighbour as yourself.*

Matthew 22:39

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely half term break and enjoyed some well-deserved time with your families. It's been wonderful to see the children return with such energy and enthusiasm – we're looking forward to a busy and exciting few weeks ahead.

I want to take a moment to thank you all for your continued support of the school. Your involvement and encouragement mean so much to us and help create a positive and nurturing environment for our children.

A special thank you goes to our brilliant Fundraising Committee, who are already working hard behind the scenes to prepare for our 'Spotacular Children in Need event.' Their dedication is inspiring, and we're aiming to raise £500 to support this fantastic cause. To help us reach our goal, we're asking for a voluntarily donation of £2 per child – every little bit helps, and together we can make a big difference! Please [CLICK HERE](#) to donate.

I would also like to say a huge well done to the 40+ children who took part in our Gymnastics Club trials, this week. This included children from Year 6, 5 and 4. It's been great to see so many eager participants showing off their skills.

We'll be holding more trials next Tuesday, for our Year 2 and Year 3 children after which we'll confirm our team. The children have been working on key movements like cartwheels and forward rolls, with a focus on poise, control, and confidence – good luck everyone.

Today's Collective Worship was a thoughtful reflection on Remembrance, helping children understand its significance, paying tribute to all those that have served to protect our British Values.

Children are welcome to continue wearing their poppies, in school, until Tuesday 11th November, after which they should be removed in line with tradition.

Thank you again for all your support, trust and understanding – let's make this half term one to remember!

I hope you enjoy reading this week's Newsletter and learning a little bit more about school life.

Len Batey-Headteacher

### CREATIVITY



### RESPECT



### INDEPENDENCE



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[CLICKING HERE.](#)

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## Volunteers In School

As the term progresses, we want to take a moment to say a huge thank you to all the parents, carers, and family members who have generously given their time to support our children in school.



Whether you've been listening to readers or helping with group activities, your presence makes a real difference. The children love sharing their stories and books with you, and your encouragement helps build their confidence and enthusiasm for learning.

Your support not only helps individual children thrive, but also strengthens our whole school family. We know how busy life can be, and we truly appreciate the time and care you've given. So from all of us, staff and pupils alike, thank you for being part of our journey.



## Poppies Sale

We would like to thank our Fundraising Committee for their efforts in selling poppies and other Remembrance merchandise in school, during playtime. Their dedication has helped raise valuable funds for the Royal British Legion.

As we approach Remembrance Day on 11th November, we encourage all children to continue wearing their poppies with pride until that day. Please note that poppies should not be worn beyond Remembrance Day, in keeping with tradition. Thank you once again for your support in honouring this important occasion.

## Parent Tours

Are you looking for a Reception place for your child starting in September 2026? We warmly welcome prospective parents to visit our school and see what makes our learning community so special.

Our Headteacher-Mr Batey is offering guided visits every: Tuesday and Thursday mornings up until December 2025. These visits are a great opportunity to:

- Meet staff and ask questions
- Explore our Reception environment
- See our children learning and playing
- Get a feel for the school



If you or someone you know is considering a place for next year, please contact the school office to arrange a visit (typically 45 minutes). We look forward to welcoming you!

**CHEESE!**



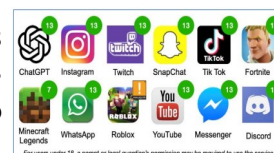
## Individual Photographs

On Thursday 6th November, we welcomed a professional photography team into school to capture some wonderful moments of our pupils. The day was filled with smiles, laughter, and lots of excitement as children posed for their individual and siblings photographs.

We're thrilled to let you know that you'll soon have the opportunity to view and purchase these beautiful photographs. It's a lovely way to celebrate your child's school journey and create memories. We can't wait for you to see them!

## E-Safety Newsletter

The E-safety Newsletter November 25 edition focuses on WhatsApp updates regarding school group chats and channels and Age ratings for Apps. It also discusses CapCut a new video editing app and Online Roasting. Please click [here](#) to read the Newsletter.



## 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.

Bookings will close on **Monday 27th October** at 4.00pm. Thank you.

## Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Pupils in Year 5, Mr Olalere's class, will take part in swimming lessons, from **Thursday 13th November** until **Thursday 18th December 2025**.



**All children** are expected to take part in swimming lessons, as part of their P.E. curriculum. In most cases, if children are well enough to be at school, we would expect them to take part in the swimming lesson. If there is a specific medical reason that prevents your child from taking part, please advise us in writing.

The Meres Leisure Centre requires boys to wear appropriate trunks (not shorts) and all children, (boys and girls) to wear a swimming cap for lessons. Please ensure that your child has appropriate swim wear in time for their next lesson. The school will be providing their swim hats for the duration of their swim.

**As you are aware earrings are not permitted in school** and therefore should not be worn for swimming. We understand that even earrings covered with plasters are not acceptable at the swimming pool. This year, I am pleased to tell you that school will, once again, cover the whole cost of swimming, and will not be asking for a voluntary contribution from parents.



## Reception Christmas Assembly

It is a very exciting time of year at Barrowby CE Primary School with our Reception class enjoying their first Christmas, as part of our school family. Their Christmas Assembly will take place, in school, on **Friday 28th November 2025 at 9.30am**.

Demand for tickets is always very high; however, we hope to be able to offer you two tickets per family for the performance. The deadline for applying for tickets is **Friday 21st November 2025 at 10.00 am**.

Please could you kindly complete the form <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/pjVBclTj0s> indicating how many tickets you would like for this event by Friday 21st November 2025

There will be refreshments and a raffle after the assembly, and we will also be selling photographs. As in past years, we would be very grateful for donations of cakes/mince pies. Please could these be sent to school by Thursday 27th November 2025. I look forward to sharing this magical time of the year with you and hope to see you at our Reception Christmas Assembly.

## KSI Nativity Performance



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 will take place in school on **Thursday 4th December 2025 at 2.00pm and Friday 5th December 2025 at 9.30am.**

There will be refreshments and a raffle after each performance and we will also be selling photographs. As in past years, we would be very grateful for donations of cakes/mince pies. Please could these be sent to school by the morning of Thursday 4th December 2025.

Please make sure that you request your tickets by the deadline of **Friday 28th November** to avoid disappointment.

## Year 6 visit to National Holocaust Centre

On Monday 8th December 2025, our Year 6 children will be visiting The National Holocaust Museum in Newark.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school at 8:45am to allow a prompt departure from school at 9.00 am to the Centre. We are expected to arrive back at school in time for the end of the day 3.15pm. Children will need to be provided with a packed lunch and their water bottle with them on the day of the visit and be in full school uniform.



## Bi - Annual Christmas Fair



We are delighted to invite you and your family to our Bi-Annual Christmas Fair, on Wednesday 10th December from 5.00pm - 7.00pm, a joyful celebration filled with festive cheer, community spirit, and holiday magic! This year promises to be brighter than ever with lots of lovely craft and gift stalls, perfect for your festive shopping, delicious seasonal treat and refreshments and raffle prizes!

All proceeds will go towards helping us making a meaningful difference for our children. We are very much looking forward to seeing you there!

## Children In Need Day 2025

As you may already know, it is Children in Need Day on Friday 14th November 2025 and the theme this year is **'BE SPOTACULAR!'**

What do funds raised for Children In Need do? Children In Need work closely with a whole range of organisations to understand where the need is greatest, ensuring the money we raise goes to supporting the young people that need us most.



Children In Need fund over 3,900 local charities and projects which directly support children and young people in communities right across the UK, supporting children and young affected by a whole range of disadvantages such as poverty, disability, illness, distress or trauma, also working with a range of partners to tackle some of the most pressing issues facing the UK's children and young people today, including: mental health and wellbeing, violence impacting young people, child sexual exploitation, holiday hunger; access to employment, and social injustice.

Our Fundraising Committee would like our pupils to come to school in non-uniform, on Friday 15th November to support this worthwhile cause, with our main intention this year being to raise awareness of this cause. Children can wear a choice of clothing e.g. any non-school clothing, onesies, pyjamas, spots, messy hair etc.

We will not be taking collections in school on this day, if you would like to make a donation then please visit:

<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/default-2>





**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.**

*Dates for your diary*

*Friday 28th November*

*Reception Christmas Assembly - 9.30am*

*Thursday 4th December*

*KS1 Nativity - 2.00pm*

*Friday 5th December*

*KS1 Nativity - 9.30am*

*Wednesday 10th December*

*Christmas Fair - 5.00pm - 7.00pm*

*Tuesday 16th December*

*Christmas House Tournament*

*Wednesday 17th December*

*Christmas Lunch & Christmas Party Day*

*Wednesday 17th December*

*Pantomime in school - All Children  
Dick Whittington*

*Friday 19th December*

*Christmas Church Service*

*Friday 19th December*

*Last day of term*

## 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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# 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.



**WE ALWAYS STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE** | "Make your light shine so that others can see the good that you do" - Matthew 5:16





**CREATIVITY**



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**INDEPENDENCE**

**Come and join our school family:**  
Tel: 01476 566121 Email: [enquiries@barrowby.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@barrowby.lincs.sch.uk)

## 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 week commencing Monday 17th November 2025 is Tuesday 11th November 2025 by 3.00pm.

### BARROWBY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Mon 17 November - Fri 21 November



	Monday 17 November	Tuesday 18 November	Wednesday 19 November	Thursday 20 November	Friday 21 November
Main Course 1	Lincolnshire Beef Bolognese, Pasta, Green Beans and Carrots	Chicken Fillet in a Roll with BBQ Sauce, Vegetable Rice and Cucumber Slices	Lincolnshire Sausage Roll, Mashed Potato and Baked Beans	Ham and Cheese Pasta Bake, Crusty Bread and Peas	Lincolnshire Fishcake, Diced Potatoes, Peas, Sweetcorn and Tomato Ketchup
Main Course 2	Grated Cheese Sub Roll and Cucumber Slices	Jacket Potato, Grated Cheese and Cucumber Slices	Jacket Potato, Chicken and Sweetcorn Mayo and Vegetable Sticks	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich and Cucumber Slices	Salmon Fishcake, Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Peas and Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian Option	Veggie Bolognese, Jacket Potato, Green Beans and Carrots	Veggie Burger served in a Bread Roll, Vegetable Rice, Cucumber Slices and BBQ Sauce	Quorn Sausages, Mashed Potato and Baked Beans	Savoury Minced Quorn served with New Potatoes and Peas	Jacket Potato, Baked Beans, Cheese and Vegetable Sticks
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Pudding 1	Frozen Strawberry Mousse (contains gelatine)	Raspberry Jelly (contains gelatine)	Strawberry Jam Sponge Cake	Peach Slices and Ginger Shortbread	Chocolate Cornflake Cake
or					
Fruit	Apples - individual	Slice of Honeydew Melon	Apples - individual	Satsuma - individual	Satsuma - individual

# It's Time to Jingle All the Way - Christmas Lunch Is Here!



The deadline to order your child's Christmas lunch is Tuesday 9th December 2025. Just log in to your Farm Kitchen account [www.parents.thefarmkitchen.com](http://www.parents.thefarmkitchen.com) to place your order, or email [enquiries@thefarmkitchen.com](mailto:enquiries@thefarmkitchen.com) if you need any help.

#### Weekly House Point Totals

**ARMSTRONG**

**539**

**CHICHESTER**

**582**

**SCOTT**

**487**