

DIARY DATES

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Tuesday 6th January

Return to school



Thursday 8th January

Year 5 visit to National Space Centre



Thursday 8th January

Parent Workshop - Year 3 Residential Visit



Tuesday 13th January

KS2 New Year Disco



Thursday 15th January

Year 2 & Year 3 Roots To Food Workshop



Wednesday 21st January

Year 5 visit to Mosque & The Jain Centre



Thursday 22nd January

Year 4 & Year 5 Roots To Food Workshop



Governor Meetings

Tuesday 3rd February 2026



KS2 New Year Disco
Tuesday 13th January 2026



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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 12th December 2025

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

What a week, from Monday to Friday full of festive cheer and merriment. Let's play a Christmas game, how many Christmas song titles can you spot in my message below:

Do you know what, it's beginning to look like Christmas here at Barrowby. The children have enjoyed all the thrills of the week and are having a holly jolly Christmas time.

On Tuesday it was great to see the Children enjoying their House Tournament, all competing together to raise house points, I wonder which has won this year? It certainly was a sleigh ride of highs and lows when the children competed. Such fun this Christmas time.

It's been lovely to see the children rockin' around the Christmas tree on Wednesday as part of their Christmas Party, as well as the Pantomime, Rick Whittington, certainly another great panto from West Midlands Pantomime company, just like last Christmas.

It's the most wonderful time of the year at Barrowby when the whole school family celebrate through Advent. It all really does feel like it's Christmas.

On Friday, we were joined in the Church by parents as we came together for this season's Christmas service led by Kate Waghorn, our Bishop's Visitor. You know Christmas time is here, when we gather in the church. Thank you to all those that joined us.

You know life is busy and we can all rush around focussed on what we need to do.

This week, one of our parents Mr Allen acted as a good Samaritan as he offered his services to school to help us. What a lovely thing to do, I almost exclaimed Hallelujah and am grateful for the kindness he showed. Thank you.

I continue to be so proud of our school family, we even had Santa Claus visit us earlier in the week. I caught a glimpse of him as he left the school building and wanted to shout Santa can you hear me? But he was away.

I hope you have a Merry Christmas and enjoy the festivities with friends and family. Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow and we can all make a snowman as that's what Christmas means to me. See you in the New Year.

Len Batey-Headteacher

CREATIVITY

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

RESPECT

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

INDEPENDENCE

Initiative
INDEPENDENCE
Leadership
Organisation
Motivation
Diligence
Confidence
Assertiveness
Accountability
Reflective

Happy

Valued

Loved

St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival

This year, our beautifully decorated Christmas tree took its place among many others at the St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival, bringing festive cheer and excitement to all who visited. As part of the fun, children were invited to take part in a special challenge: counting the number of coloured baubles displayed on our tree!



We had a wonderful response, with lots of enthusiastic counting, re-counting, and careful checking. There were: 10 Reindeer, 8 Snowmen, 6 Christmas Puddings, 4 Trees, 2 Stockings and 1 Star; totalling 31 pictures altogether. The results are now in, and today every child who took part proudly received a certificate to celebrate their effort and festive spirit.

The competition was incredibly close, so close, in fact, that two children tied for the highest and most accurate count both correctly counting 5 of the 6 categories. To keep things fair (and fun!), both names were placed into a hat, and a winner was drawn at random.

Congratulations to our winner and a big well done to everyone who took part, your excitement made this activity truly magical. Here's to more festive fun!

Yew Tree Decorations



On Monday 15th 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

Our annual Christmas-themed House Tournament was a huge success! Every child from Reception to Year 6 joined in the festive fun, working together in exciting team challenges to earn points for their House.

Game 1: Reindeer Race

Children became Santa's trusty reindeers, racing to deliver toys down the chimney! Each team passed toys along their line, with Juniors adding an extra twist by passing them *over and under* each person. Every toy successfully delivered scored a point—but if a toy was dropped, it had to start again! The energy and teamwork were fantastic.

Game 2: Snowball Fight

Next came the ultimate snowball showdown! Teams aimed to clear their area of snowballs by throwing them into other zones. When the timer ended, the team with the fewest snowballs left was crowned the winner. And everyone kept an eye out for the green "sprouts"—worth double points!

It was wonderful to see so much enthusiasm, teamwork, and festive spirit across all year groups. A big thank you to our Year 5 and 6 Sports Committee for planning such creative games, and to all staff and pupils for making this event so memorable. Here are the results: 1st Place: Armstrong with 300 points 2nd Place: Chichester with 210 points and 3rd Place: Scott with 200 points.



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Party Day



What a wonderfully festive day we enjoyed at school as we celebrated our Christmas Party Day and Christmas Lunch together! The excitement was buzzing from the moment the children arrived, ready for a day full of fun, music, and Christmas cheer.

All of the children took part in a fantastic disco in the hall, dancing along to festive tunes and enjoying a range of party games with their friends. Laughter filled the hall as everyone joined in and showed off their best dance moves. A very special moment came when there was an unexpected delivery of *elf mail*! The children were thrilled to receive messages from Santa's helpers, and all of our Key Stage 1 children were delighted to receive a Christmas present, which brought lots of smiles and excitement.

At lunchtime, the celebrations continued as the whole school gathered together in the hall for our festive Christmas dinner. The children and staff enjoyed listening to Christmas songs, pulling and popping Christmas crackers, and sharing a delicious Christmas meal together. It was a truly special occasion that captured the spirit of the season and brought our school community together.

Pantomime

What an amazing day we had for Party Day! The children were absolutely thrilled to watch the fantastic performance of *Rick Whittington*. There was plenty of singing, dancing, and laughter as the jokes kept everyone entertained. The hall was filled with excitement, and the children could be heard shouting, "Oh yes he is! Oh, no he isn't" throughout the show. It truly was a day full of joy and fun for everyone.

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We would like to extend a huge thank you to **FOBs** for generously funding Party Day, it was a massive hit and created wonderful memories for all.

Christmas Service



Our Christmas Service was a truly joyful occasion, bringing together children, staff, families and friends to celebrate the festive season. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers who joined us. Your presence and support added so much warmth to the event, and it was lovely to see so many of you participating through the readings, your contributions made the service feel wonderfully inclusive and special.

A huge well done goes to all the children, whose enthusiasm and behaviour made the service a delight. A special mention must go to our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils for their beautiful song performance. Their voices filled the space with festive cheer, and we are incredibly proud of the confidence and teamwork they displayed.

We also wish to celebrate the fantastic Year 4 clarinet performers, who impressed everyone with their musical talent. Their dedication to learning and practising really shone through, and their performance added a lovely musical touch to the service.

Our sincere thanks go to Mrs Waghorn for leading the service with such care, warmth and energy. Her guidance helped bring everything together and created a meaningful and memorable experience for all.

As we close another busy and successful term, we would like to wish every family in our community a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful, joyful New Year. Thank you once again for your support, we look forward to welcoming you back in 2026!

Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

493

CHICHESTER

425

SCOTT

278





Christmas Bauble Competition – A Celebration of Creativity and Festive Spirit



This year's Christmas Bauble Competition brought an extra touch of sparkle to our festive season, with an incredible display of imagination, craftsmanship and holiday cheer from everyone who took part. The hall was filled with colour, glitter and wonderfully inventive designs, each bauble telling its own unique Christmas story.

From traditional festive themes to modern artistic twists, the creativity on show was truly outstanding. It was clear that a great deal of care, effort and joy went into every single entry. Whether crafted from recycled materials, hand-painted with delicate detail, or decorated with bold and bright festive flair, each bauble added something special to our Christmas celebration.

During the Christmas Service, participants were recognised for their fantastic contributions, and certificates were awarded to celebrate the imagination and hard work behind this year's designs. It was a proud moment for all involved, and a lovely reminder of the community spirit that makes this season so meaningful.

A huge well done to everyone who entered the competition. Your creativity lit up the event and helped make this Christmas truly memorable. Thank you for sharing your talents and bringing so much festive joy to our celebration!

Parent Reminders KS2 New Year Disco

This will be held on **Tuesday 13th January 2026** after school, from 3.15pm until 5.15pm.



Tickets for this event cost £4.00 per child and are available to purchase via the **School Shop** on the Parent Arbor App until **Monday 12th January 2026**. Simply log in to your Arbor App for each child and scroll to the bottom of the screen where you will see **School Shop**, select the arrow. Once in the **School Shop** you will see the products available for your child. Select KS2 Disco Ticket and pay.

The ticket price includes: **Disco, Food and Drink** (provided by FoBS), and **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.



Return to school

All children return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Join Our School Family – Breakfast and/or After-School Supervisor Needed!

We are delighted to share an exciting opportunity to join our warm, welcoming and supportive school community. We are currently looking for a **Breakfast and/or After-School Supervisor** to help care for our children and support the smooth running of our wrap-around provision.

**BE A PART OF
OUR TEAM!**

This role is perfect for someone who enjoys working with children, has a caring and positive nature, and would love to be part of our friendly school family. You'll be helping to create a safe, nurturing environment where our pupils can start and end their day happily and confidently.



From all the staff at Barrowby CE Primary School



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CHRISTMAS
& HAPPY NEW YEAR





THEME DAYS



COMPETITION LUNCH
THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY



MEXICAN DAY
TUESDAY 27TH JANUARY



VALENTINE'S DAY
FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY

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Winter COMPETITION DAY

THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY

**ORDER A MEAL ON THIS DAY AND BE IN WITH
A CHANCE OF WINNING – FIND THE LUCKY
STICKER TO WIN A PRIZE!**

**ORDER DEADLINE:
TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY BY 3PM**



Christmas at Barrowby Church

Sunday 14 December
10am Families Carols
3pm Grantham Choral Society Concert

Sunday 21 December 6pm for 6.30pm
Candlelight Carols
refreshments from 6pm, service starts at 6.30pm
(no 10am service)

Christmas Eve
3.00pm Children's craft activities
3.30pm Birthday Party for Jesus
4.00pm Carols round the Trees

Christmas Day
8.30am Holy Communion, Breakfast
10.00am Family Worship

Sunday 28 December 10.00am
Music and Christmas Reflections

Christmas at Barrowby Church.



Candlelight Carols
Sunday 21 December
6pm for 6.30pm



Christmas Eve
At Barrowby Church

3.00pm Children's crafts

3.30pm Birthday Party for Jesus
Puppets, balloons, cake.....!

4.00pm Carols round the Decorated Trees
Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

Everyone is welcome to come along and join in with all or any of these!



Christmas Day
8.30am Holy Communion
Breakfast
10.00am Family Worship

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

