

DIARY DATES

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

Monday 12th October - Thursday 15th October

Year 5 Bikeability Cycle Training



Wednesday 14th October

KS2 Girls Football Tournament



Thursday 15th October

Parent Workshop - Year 5 11+ Information Evening



Friday 16th October

FOBs Family Games Night



Thursday 22nd October

SEND Review Meetings



Friday 23rd October

Last day of term



Monday 2nd November

Return to school



Governor Meetings

Tuesday 13th October 2026
FGB



Friday 16th October 2026
FOBs 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 9th October 2026

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord.

Colossians 3:23

Dear Parents/Carers,

What another wonderful week it has been at Barrowby CE Primary School. I can't quite believe that there are only 2 weeks left before the October half-term. Where does the time go? I know that time flies when you're having fun though.

We would like to remind all parents and carers to park considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Please be mindful of residents by ensuring that driveways, entrances and access points are not obstructed. Where possible, park legally and safely, avoiding restricted areas and locations that may cause inconvenience or create a hazard for pedestrians and other road users. Please **DO NOT** park on the zig-zag lines.

As always we are grateful for the continued support of our school family and appreciate your help in maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours, in the village and keeping everyone safe.

It is important that our school family always works together, whether that be for the benefit of our pupils, or the parents or indeed residents. We are stronger when we work together.

This week has seen our first competition of the year where our Football team were awarded Bronze medals, as they came 3rd in this year's competition. What a great way to start the year. Go team Barrowby!

I do hope you can see how special this school is and how well our children are supported so that they can all shine. We must remember that although we are an 'outstanding' school categorised by OFSTED 24-it doesn't mean we are perfect. However, it does mean that we do an excellent job supporting our school family compared to other schools. It is important to remember that all anyone can do is try their best and with guidance, love and support they will shine.

Thank you for your trust, support and understanding and I hope you enjoy reading this week's Newsletter and learning a little bit more about school life.

Mr Len Batey
Headteacher

CREATIVITY



RESPECT



INDEPENDENCE



Happy

Valued

Loved



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

Events in school

All Weather Track

We are delighted to share that our new All-Weather Track is now complete and is already making a positive difference to school life.

The track provides improved access to the school field throughout the year, allowing children to enjoy outdoor activities even during wetter months when parts of the field may previously have been inaccessible. This valuable addition supports our commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles and ensuring all children have regular opportunities to be active.



To make the most of this exciting new facility, we will be launching a new activity initiative next week. Children will be encouraged to complete a number of laps around the track equal to their year group. For example, Year 2 pupils will complete 2 laps, Year 4 pupils will complete 4 laps, and Year 6 pupils will complete 6 laps.

We hope this simple but effective challenge will encourage children to be active each day, develop their fitness and stamina, and enjoy making the most of our fantastic outdoor environment. We look forward to seeing the enthusiasm and determination of our pupils as the initiative gets underway next week.



Year 5/6 Mixed Football Tournament Success

Our Year 5/6 mixed football team represented **Barrowby Primary School** brilliantly at the recent football tournament.

The team made a fantastic start in the opening round, defeating **Long Bennington B** 3-0, **St Mary's** 3-0 and **Isaac Newton** 2-0. A narrow 1-0 defeat to **Malcolm Sargent A** was not enough to stop Barrowby progressing to the **Premier League** stage of the competition.

In the Premier League, the team drew 1-1 with **Malcolm Sargent A**, beat **Huntingtower A** 1-0, lost 3-0 to **Long Bennington A** and finished with a hard-fought 0-0 draw against **Huntingtower B**.

These excellent performances secured **3rd place overall**, a fantastic achievement against strong opposition. Well done to all the players for their teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the tournament!

Year 4 Chalumeau Music Lessons

Year 4 are now a month into their Chalumeau lessons and thoroughly enjoying the fast-paced and challenging lessons.

They have mastered several different warmup games focusing on rhythm and timing. In addition, the children have learned how to care for and assemble/maintain their instruments.

They have progressed from originally struggling to make sounds to being able to play A and B notes sequentially for one or two counts. The adults have been learning too alongside the children!

We look forward to showcasing how far they have come during the Christmas Concert in church.



Parental Reminders Bikeability Cycle Training - Year 5

Our Year 5 Bikeability Cycle training will take place on: **Monday 12th October – Thursday 15th October 2026** – 4 days.



Your child will need to bring with them for all their course sessions:

Bike - Children must bring a roadworthy bike to school; and

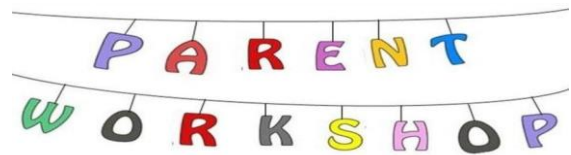
Helmet - All children must have their own helmet for the duration of the course.

Suitable clothing – For wet and cold conditions, we recommend: A waterproof coat, outdoor jogging bottoms, full finger gloves and spare pair of socks.

Parent Workshop - Year 5 11+ Information Evening

Our 11+ Information Evening is on Thursday 15th October 2026 and will commence at 5.00pm, in the school hall and aims to cover the following areas:

- 11+ Information Dates and Timeline
- Understanding of 11+ process
- Support from school
- Support at home



The 11+ Information Presentation was introduced as a support for our Year 5 pupils and parents, during this time. Afterwards, you may find it useful to visit our [11+ section of our school website](#).

There you will find:

Further information on [How to support my child at home](#); Answers to a series of Frequently Asked Questions.

Alternatively, I am always on hand to answer any questions and offer support where I can.

Please feel free to contact myself at school. We do hope you and your Year 5 child will be able to join us at the 11+ Information Evening.



FOBs Family Games Night

On Friday 16th October 2026 we will be hosting our annual 'Family bingo and games night' in school.

This will be held in the school hall, and the doors will be open at 5.30pm 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 6:00pm 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 look forward to seeing you there!

SEND Review Meetings

Our SEND Review meetings will take place on **Thursday 22nd October 2026**. The appointments will run from 3.45pm. These will be available on first come first served basis. Appointment bookings are now open and will close on **Monday 12th October 2026 at 10.00am**.

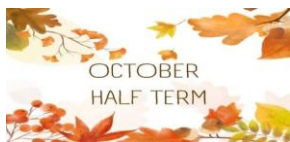


To book your appointment - • Open your Arbor App & Sign In

- From the Main Menu - Select SEND Review Meetings - February 2026 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 can 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.

Should you require your assistance booking your appointment, please contact the school office on 01476 566121.



Last day of term

Out last day of term for the October half term is Friday 23rd October 2026. All children return to school on Monday 2nd November 2026.

Individual Photographs

On Thursday 5th November 2026, 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.



Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Pupils in Year 5, Mr French class, will take part in swimming lessons, from **Thursday 5th November 2026** until **Thursday 3rd December 2026**.

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.

Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

530

CHICHESTER

424

SCOTT

453

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 week commencing Monday 19th October 2026 is Tuesday 13th October 2026 at 3.00pm.



BARROWBY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Farm Kitchen - Hot School Meals - Menu Sheet

Mon 19 October - Fri 23 October



	Monday 19 October	Tuesday 20 October	Wednesday 21 October	Thursday 22 October	Friday 23 October
Main Course 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza, Sweetcorn and Cucumber Slices	Chicken Burger in a Roll with Diced Potatoes, Salad Platter and Mayonnaise	Shepherd's Pasty, New Potatoes, Green Beans and Gravy	Roast Beef, Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Jumbo Fishfinger, Mashed Potatoes and Baked Beans
or					
Main Course 2	Jacket Potato, Tuna Mayonnaise, Sweetcorn and Cucumber Slices	Veggie Burger, Jacket Potato, Salad Platter and Mayo	Jacket Potato, Wholemeal Spaghetti Hoops, Grated Cheese and Vegetable Sticks	Jacket Potato, Mild Veggie Chilli Con Carne, Carrots and Green Beans	Jacket Potato, Baked Beans, Cheese and Vegetable Sticks
or					
Main Course 3	Grated Cheese Sub Roll and Cucumber Slices	Lincolnshire Ham Sub Roll with a Salad Platter	Tuna and Sweetcorn Sub Roll and Vegetable Sticks	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich and a Mixed Salad	Cheese Sandwiches with Vegetable Sticks
or					
Vegetarian Option	Veggie Bolognese, New Potatoes and Sweetcorn	Veggie Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce, Diced Potatoes and a Salad Platter	Butterbean and Vegetable Hotpot, New Potatoes, Green Beans and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese, Garlic Bread, Peas and Carrots	Savoury Veggie Mince, Mashed Potato and Baked Beans
Pudding 1	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Orange Jelly (contains gelatine)	Oaty Apple Crumble and Custard	Slice of Melon and Mini Lemon Shortbread	Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard
or					
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
or					
Fruit	Apples - individual	Slice of Honeydew Melon	Satsuma - individual	Satsuma - individual	Apples - individual

Nut Free School

Please could we remind parents that we are a nut free school. We have children in school who suffer from severe allergies and can develop a severe, potentially life- threatening allergic reaction.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin by someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

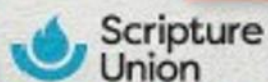
We therefore ask that you do not provide nut products in your child's lunch box. For example:

- Chocolate spreads
 - Peanut butter sandwiches
 - Cereal Bars
 - Cakes that contain nuts
- Biscuits/Cookies that contain nut

PLEASE



NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS



KINGDOM BUILDERS

AUTUMN HOLIDAY CLUB

*3 days of faith, fun & friendship -
for children in reception to Year 6*

When?

Wednesday 28 to Friday 30 October

Time?

10:00am to 1:00pm

Where?

St Annes Church, Harrowby Road,
Grantham, NG31 9ED

**BOOK
NOW!**



31ST OCT // 3-5PM // FREE



LIGHT



PARTY



DISCO, CRAFT, GAMES AND GOODY BAGS

AIMED AT PRIMARY SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN
(YOUNGER SIBLINGS WELCOME)

NON-SCARY DRESS-UP OR NEON THEME
ENCOURAGED!

ALIVE CHURCH, CASTLEGATE, NG31 6SQ