

DIARY DATES
 Diary dates for the School
 Year 2013-2014 can be
 found on the school
 website. [CLICK HERE](#) to
 go to the calendar.
 You will receive further
 information about forth
 coming events nearer the
 time, as appropriate.

Wednesday 25 September

Harvest Festival 2.00pm in
 Barrowby Church.
 Parents are invited
 to join us for
 this service.



Tuesday 1 October
 Individual school photos.



**Wednesday 2 October—Friday
 4 October**

Residential visit to PGL
 Caythorpe for Years 4 & 5.



Wednesday 9 October

Parent/Teacher Consultation
 and E Safety Presentation

Wednesday 9 October—

Tuesday 15 October

Book Fair



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Parent/Teacher Consultation
 and E Safety Presentation

Wednesday 16 October

FOBS AGM 7.00pm-9.00pm

Thursday 17 October

School closes—
 children return on
 Monday 28 October.



**Barrowby
 Church
 Harvest
 Thanksgiving
 Sunday 29
 September
 4.30pm**
**Followed by a
 'Bring and
 Share' supper.**



*Barrowby
 Church of England
 Primary School*

Newsletter

September 2013 2nd Edition

Dear Parents/Carers

Here is our first full Newsletter of 2013-2014, with information about events in school over the next few weeks, and about school life. We are looking forward to our Harvest Festival next week, and hope that some of you will be able to join us.

*Mr L Batey
 Headteacher*



Extracurricular Clubs

A wide range of extracurricular clubs have now started for the term, run by school staff, and specialist sports coaches. I am delighted that so many children would like to take part in these clubs, which extend the range of opportunities we can offer to our children, and would like to thank staff, who give up their time to provide these opportunities. We do have to restrict numbers for these clubs, based on the nature of the activity, and the supervision levels required, and unfortunately this sometimes means that we cannot offer places to all children who would like to take part. Please let us know if your child no longer wishes to attend a club.

From next term, we are going to change procedures slightly—we will be introducing a deadline for receipt of requests for places in clubs and, if there are more requests than places, we will select children randomly. Children who don't get a place, but replied by the deadline, will be placed on a waiting list, and we'll let you know if a place comes up. You will only be notified if your child is not allocated a place within a club.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival takes place next Wednesday, 25 September, at 2.00pm in Barrowby Church. You are very welcome to join us for this service, although, as ever, it is likely to be quite crowded in church, so please be prepared to stand!

We are supporting Grantham Foodbank again this year—you can find out more about their work [here](#). We would be grateful for donations of food to support this local charity please check the list to see what is needed.



- Milk (UHT or powder, preferably semi-skimmed)
- Cereal (preferably non-sugared)
- Tinned Veg (carrots, sweet corn, peas, mixed)
- Fruit Juice (carton long life)
- Fruit Squash
- Pasta / Cooking Sauces
- Baked Beans / Spaghetti
- Tinned Meat/Fish
- Tomatoes (Tinned)
- Pasta/Rice/Cous Cous (500g / 1kg)
- Tea Bags (40's/80's), Coffee (small)
- Potato (Instant Mash or tinned)
- Sugar (500g / 1kg)
- Biscuits, Crackers, Crisp breads
- Tinned Fruit (in juice preferably)
- Tinned Soup
- Rice/Sponge Pudding (tin)

STAFFING



Mrs Wright, our Year 5 teacher, is expecting a baby in the spring—our warmest congratulations to her, and to Mr Wright. Parents of children in Year 5 will be informed of arrangements to cover her absence on Maternity Leave nearer the time.

Help Needed!

Last term, with help from some parents, we began to repaint our picnic benches, and we would like to finish them before winter. If you could spare an hour or two one afternoon, please contact the school office. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided!



Friends of Barrowby School (FOBS) Annual General Meeting

The AGM will take place in school on Wednesday 16 October, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. All parents/Carers of children at Barrowby School are very warmly invited to attend. Come along and meet the committee and other parents, and see how you can support social and fundraising events in school.

Admissions to Barrowby School

Our new Reception children have settled well into school life, and we are already thinking about admissions for September 2014! As usual, I am offering parents of prospective pupils the opportunity for an individual visit to the school, by appointment. These are currently being booked for Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Please contact the school office for further information. Applications have to be made via Lincolnshire County Council, preferably via their [website](#). Applications can be made from 19 November 2013 for 2014 entry, and we will let you know the closing deadline as soon as we have it.



Secondary Transfer Process



Parents of children in Year 6 have received information about their child's transfer to secondary school in 2014, and those who are sitting the 11+ examinations, for Grammar School entry, sat the first test (verbal reasoning) last Saturday. The second test (non-verbal reasoning) takes place on Saturday 21 September. Good luck!

Year 5 and 6 Cross Country Event

Two children will be representing our school in this event after school on Friday 20 September— we hope they enjoy the event, and thank them for taking part.



Sport Summary

As you know, we aim to offer our children a wide range of fun and exciting sporting activities throughout their time at Barrowby School. You can read our Sports Summary for 2013-2014 [here](#).

Pupil Premium

You can learn more about how our Pupil Premium 2012-2013 was used by clicking [here](#).

End of Year Parental Response Results

Parents were invited to give feedback on their child's year at school via the Annual Report slips (Reception to Year 5), or an 'Exit Survey' (Year 6). Children in Year 6 also completed an exit survey. We have now analysed the forms that were returned to school, and you can read the analysis [here](#). Thank you for your contributions.

Morrisons Let's Grow Vouchers

Once again this year we are collecting these vouchers in school. If you shop in Morrisons, please make sure you remember your vouchers!

In previous years we have been able to equip our school gardeners very well from this scheme. They also provide equipment for the next step—cooking and eating the produce—and our vouchers will go towards extra cooking and preparation equipment this year.



School Uniform

School uniform can be ordered through the [School Trends](#) website. Orders placed on the website have to be submitted by school—we can only do this a limited number of times each month. Please place your orders by the 7th of the month.

Unfortunately, School Trends have informed us that the option of ordering for delivery to your home is no longer available under our current pricing structure. Please ensure that you place your orders in good time for delivery through school.

P.E. Shorts

Further to my previous letter, could I remind you that cycling shorts are not part of our school uniform, and should not be worn in school. Please make sure that your child has a pair of navy blue P.E. shorts in school.

Car Parking

As we move towards the colder and wetter weather, could I ask **all** parents to support us in trying to keep our children safe on the way to and from school.

Parking is available to parents/carers at the British Legion Car Park, and we ask that you use this and do not bring your car into Church Street.

Parents are not permitted to bring their cars into the school car park at any time in the school day, unless you

The Legion Car Park is only a few minutes walk from school. We have noticed parents parking in Church Street up to 45 minutes before the end of the school day—if you arrive early, please park at the Legion and wait there until it is time to walk up to school, to avoid unnecessary congestion in Church Street.



Please put the safety of our children first!

Our thanks to the majority of parents/carers who support us by not parking in Church Street.