



**DIARY DATES**

Further information will follow nearer the time, where appropriate.

New dates in green.

Dates for the whole term can be found on the website calendar.

**Monday 24 June**

Sports Day 1.15pm  
(reserve day Tuesday 25 June)

**Wednesday 26 June**

Key stage 2 'Inspiring Grantham' Concert

**Thursday 27 June**

Mini Olympics at Grantham Meres

**Friday 28 June**

Large Schools' Sports at The Meres

**Wednesday 3 July**

Year 3 Assembly 'On Safari' 2.30pm

**Thursday 4 July**

Year 1/2 classes visit Woodside Falconry Centre

**Friday 5 July**

Summer Fair 5.00-7.00pm

**Tuesday 9 July**

Y6 Digital Art Workshop

Year 4 World War Two celebrations 2.15pm

**Wednesday 10 Jul 2013**

Leavers' Prom 6pm-8pm

**Friday 19 Jul 2013**

Leavers' assembly 9.15am Year 6 parents are invited to join us.

**Tuesday 23 July 2013**

Awards Assembly  
End of School Year for children

**Sat 31 August & Sun 1 Sept**

Barrowby Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens.



Dear Parents/Carers

Here is some more information about things that have been going on in school this term—there's lots more still to come!

Mr L Batey  
Headteacher



**RECENT EVENTS IN SCHOOL**

**London Residential**



Year 6 visited London on 6th & 7th June. This exciting visit included a visit to the Ancient Egyptian exhibitions at the British Museum, an evening meal at Planet Hollywood, as well as an evening performance of the hit west-end show 'Wicked'. The children also enjoyed a sightseeing tour of London, and visited the Natural History Museum, and Science Museum. Great fun was had by all!

**Maths Mania**

Aymen Dar, Jack Woodward, Sophia Lambert, and Adam Cunningham were the four members of our Year 5 team which represented our school at this competition, earlier in the term. The children worked very well together performing a range very tricky maths questions and 'big think' challenges! Well done!

**Kwik Cricket Tournament**

On 13th June, our Kwik Cricket team participated in an exciting inter-school competition. They played well, winning two out of four matches, placing them fourth in their heat. Well done team!



**Y6 Bistro evening**

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June, Year 6 held their 'Bistro' evening for families and friends, as part of their end of year fundraising. As in previous years, the children planned, prepared and served the food, and provided entertainment for the diners, as well as growing salad vegetables in their 'Cabbage Patch' garden. It was a wonderful, memorable event—well done Year 6!

**Mustard Seed Project**

We have been delighted with the response so far as the children purchase bricks to help build a new classroom for the Mustard Seed Project in Kenya. At the time of going to press, we have so far collected 255 bricks or £76.50 for this cause and the wall is building up nicely, in our own school hall. Next Friday, we look forward to welcoming Rita and Geoff Fowler back into school and handing over all the bricks and funds we have collected so far. Remember, one brick costs as little as 30p so let's keep collecting. Together we can make a real difference and reach our goal of 900.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### Sports Day



Our Sports Day takes place on **Monday 24 June, starting at 1.15pm**. You are all very welcome to join us.

This year we have reintroduced the 'house' system for Key Stage 1 children, so all children coming first, second or third in their race will score points for their house—children will wear a colour coded label, so you will know which house to cheer for, even when your child isn't racing! House colours are:

**Armstrong: Yellow Chichester: Green Scott: Blue.**

We also have a new **giant** scoreboard, so you can follow the results as they come in!

We hope that the weather is kind, but if it isn't, our reserve day is Tuesday 25 June. If we do have to alter arrangements because of bad weather, we will send a **text via Parentmail2** as soon as a decision is made, and **by 12 noon** at the latest. Sports Day is always a very busy day in school, so I would ask that you **wait to see if a text is sent, rather than phoning school, if the weather is doubtful**. Please make sure that your child has their full P.E. kit (royal blue t-shirt, navy blue shorts) and appropriate trainers, a hat/cap, water bottle and their Olympic torch or banner (Y3/4) in school. Refreshments will be available, throughout the event, thanks to FOBS members.

### Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair is coming up soon! It takes place on Friday 5 July, from 5.00pm—7.00pm—please come along to support us, and bring your families, friends, and neighbours too! This year, our Fair has a 1940s theme, to tie in with Y4's World War II topic. Children are invited to return to school for the fair dressed in 1940s style clothing.

As usual, the Fair will be combined with our **Summer Raffle**, and **we have sent tickets home with your children today—please check their bags**. Please send money, stubs and any unsold tickets to school by 4 July. Please ask at the school office if you would like more tickets to sell. This year, the first prize is a Kindle Fire HD, and as usual there will be plenty of other exciting prizes.



### Year 6 Fundraising events

Our Year 6 children are planning to organise, a range of fundraising activities independently, as a culmination to their time at Barrowby School. Funds raised will support their traditional 'end of year Prom' as well as providing the school with a 'Legacy gift'. In previous years, our children have helped to fund the development of the Cabbage Patch Garden, purchased ICT equipment, and raised funds for benching and seats in our grounds. This is a unique way in which our pupils can contribute to the school's development as well as providing role models for future Year 6s. The events are:



#### Cake2Bake Sale

Year 6 will be making cakes and selling them on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2013 to the rest of Key Stage 2, during the day. Prices will start at just 20p per item.

### Sponsored Fun Run

Year 6 children are also hoping to hold a sponsored 'fun run', in fancy dress, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July, from 1.15 pm – 3.15 pm on the school field.

### ICE Pop Sale

During the last few weeks of term, Year 6 children will also be selling ice pops to the children during lunchtimes. Dates will be announced later. As previously this year, the ice pops will be donated by the Friend's of Barrowby School and will cost 20p each.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### Support Staff

We have recently advertised for Teaching Assistants, Midday Supervisors, and an additional Cleaner. We received a very pleasing number of applications for these posts (69 applications in total - Midday Supervisor: 11, Teaching Assistant: 44, Cleaner: 14). I would like to thank everyone who applied for their interest in the school. We have appointed Mrs Juliet Rowlands and Mrs Melanie Watson as Teaching assistants, and Mrs Sumayya Syedmuhammed as a Midday Supervisor, and we look forward to welcoming them to the school. Interviews for the Cleaner post take place shortly.

### Volunteers Needed!

Could you offer a couple of hours to help re-stain our picnic tables and benches? We need a small working party to do this job on the afternoon of Monday 1st July from 1.15pm weather permitting! Year 4 also have some bird boxes which the children have made—and need a few volunteers to varnish these, on Friday 28 June, from 2.30pm. Please contact the school office if you can help with either of these projects.

### Wildlife Area

Thank you for donations of plants for our wildlife area— here are some of our Year 5 children busy planting them! We hope that by next year they will have begun to spread and self-seed through our woodland. Special thanks to Paul Mendham's Grandma—we seem to have half her garden! If you have any more plants, please send them in very soon, so they can be planted, and have few weeks of being watered before the summer holidays. As the summer progresses, we would be grateful for seeds you have collected from plants in your garden, as we can sow these when we return in September, or in the spring.



We would also like to construct a 'bug hotel' - if anyone could donate wooden crates, tree bark, bricks, rocks, or larger logs, we would be very grateful. Please contact the school office if you think you could help with this project.

### Key Stage 1 Fruit



As you know, we have been offering a piece of fruit to Key Stage 1 children at morning playtime for some years, through the government's School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme. Encouraging children to include fruit and vegetables in their diet is part of being a 'Healthy School'. Our Key Stage 2 children have come up with a scheme to encourage our younger children to eat the fruit that is offered each day, by awarding a certificate to the class where the most children have eaten their piece of fruit each day for that week. Children will, of course, still be able to choose whether to eat the fruit or not, but we hope that this initiative will encourage them to do so.

### Tubs for Tablets

Flora and Tesco have joined together to give away *ASUS MeMO Pad™ 172* touch screen tablets to Primary schools. Taking part is easy. If you shop at Tesco, and purchase these products, then simply collect Flora Tubs4Tablets tokens inside **special packs of Flora Original and Flora Light 500g**, available from Tesco stores from the **24th June** and send the tokens into school. Thank you for your continued support.

### Cycling to school

If you would like your child to cycle to school, please remember that bicycles can only be left at school during the school day if you have a permit. To find information about this, and download the permit application form [CLICK HERE](#) You will also find a 15% off cycle helmets voucher. Scooters may not be left at school during the day.

### Sport Summary 2012-2013

As the year is drawing to a close, we thought it would be a good idea to evaluate the range of opportunities which have been available to pupils at our school, for the last academic year, through the curriculum as well as the range of extra curricular opportunities available in sport. This will take the form of a **Sport Summary** Report which will be uploaded on to our school website on an annual basis and will detail: the variety of opportunities that have been available e.g. Bikeability, intra-school sport and inter-school sport; the uptake from pupils across the school, as well as the impact these opportunities have had on their participants. We hope you will find this information useful and look forward to sharing it with you, in the future. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the Sport Summary 2012-2013.

## Summer Holiday activities

You can find out about a range of signposted Summer Holiday activities on our website—please [CLICK HERE](#) to go to the extended activities page. Please read our ‘signposting’ statement, which you will also find on this page.

## School Uniform

You can order uniform through the School Trends website, and your order will arrive in school, ready to be sent home with your child.

Orders placed now will be ready for collection at the beginning of next term. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the School Trends website. [CLICK HERE](#) to find our Uniform order form, if you cannot order online.

We have extended the range of uniform available to you with three exciting new items to keep children warm and smart: a navy blue track suit, for outdoor P.E., a navy hooded top, also for outdoor P.E. and a royal blue knitted winter hat—all bearing our school logo. These are optional items, available through the School Trends website only—check them out when you order your child’s uniform for the autumn—we think you will like them!



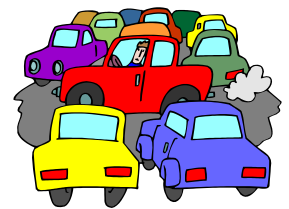
We have some items of ‘second-hand’ uniform for sale. All items are in good condition and freshly washed. Please enquire at the school office. There will also be stall at the Summer Fair selling second hand and reduced price uniform.

## Lost Property

As advised previously, we have now phased out the use of a central ‘lost property’ store. Any lost or mislaid items will now be kept near the appropriate classroom areas, to encourage children to be more independent in looking after their property. Please ensure that all your child’s clothing and equipment is clearly and indelibly marked, with their name so it can be returned to them quickly if it goes astray. [CLICK HERE](#) to access ‘Name it Labels’ information - a percentage of all sales is donated to our school.

## Parents parking in the school car park

Unfortunately, despite a recent reminder, a few parents are still bringing their cars into the school car park. This is not permitted, for safety reasons, except in very exceptional circumstances when specific permission has been given by the school. We ask that all parents/carers respect this rule.



## Car Parking



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. The Legion Car Park is only a few minutes walk from school.

**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.