

DIARY DATES

Dates for the School Year can be found on the school website. [CLICK HERE](#) or on any of the links below to go to the calendar. Please check regularly for new dates. You will receive further information about forthcoming events nearer the time, as appropriate.

Dates in red are events to which some, or all parents are invited, as appropriate

This week

Year 1 Phonics check

Thursday 18 June

Year 3 Class Assembly 9.15am

Please note change of date.

Year 6 Bistro Evening



Monday 22 June

Sports Day 1.30pm
(reserve day 23 June)



Tuesday 23 June

Key Stage 1 House Tournament

Friday 26 June

Large Schools' Athletics at The Meres

Tuesday 30 June

Year 1 & 2 Visit to Woodside Falconry Centre



Friday 3 July Summer Fair

5.00pm—7.00pm



Friday 17 July

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Wednesday 22 July

Awards assembly
End of term for children.



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

10 June 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

Well, we're in full swing here at school, with many exciting opportunities still to come this term. The children are working very hard and we are all looking forward to sharing with you some of the many things we have enjoyed. Next week, is National Sports Week and we are hoping to start the week with our Annual Sports Day-I hope the weather stays fine! Enjoy this week's news.

Mr L Batey Headteacher

Events in School

Year 6 Residential visit to London



On Thursday 11th June, our Year 6 children enjoyed their annual residential visit to London. This exciting visit focuses on the cultural and geographical features of our capital city, London.

On arrival to London, the children enjoyed visiting the Tower of London and exploring its facilities. They even got to view the Crown Jewels!

Afterwards, they enjoyed a sight-seeing tour of London, taking in many of the sights and landmarks they had been learning about in school. They enjoyed their evening meal at Garfunkels and watched the evening performance of Wicked! After a good night's sleep, they visited Ripley's Believe it or not and Buckingham Palace and enjoyed a 'Picnic in the Park!' They arrived home safely last Friday, after a very busy time. On behalf of our parents and pupils, my thanks go to all the adults that accompanied the children. Without their support we would not be able to provide opportunities such as these, for their benefit.



Year 3

Visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park



Last week was also a very exciting week for Year 3. They enjoyed their school visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park, in Doncaster. This visit supported their topic 'On Safari.' Thankfully the weather was kind. The children undertook lots of walking and were even able to walk into the Wallaby area and the Lemur woods. The children completed an alphabet trail by answering animal related questions and were able to see some of the animals being fed. The day ended with lots of climbing and balancing in the woodland adventure play ground.

Last Thursday, saw an exciting finish to our swimming lessons this term with our 'House Swimming Championship.' The children took part in races such as the 'Seahorse', 'Motor bike', 'Shark' and 'Shopping race.' Great fun was had by all. The results were: Chichester 1st, Scott 2nd and Armstrong 3rd. Well done to all of the children for wonderful demonstrating great team spirit!



Year 5 Big First Aid Lesson

On Friday 12th June, in the afternoon, Year 5 took part in the broadcasted 'Big First Aid Lesson' which was broadcast across the country. We were one of over 10 thousand schools that tuned in to watch. This initiative was provided by St John's Ambulance which was focussed on further developing children's understanding of basic first aid skills.

The children enjoyed a series of video clips and then a practical workshop. The first video clip featured DR ABC – who taught the children to check for Danger, check if the person will Respond to you, then to check Airways, Breathing and Circulation. It also showed the children how to safely put an unconscious, but breathing person into the recovery position, and how to stop a major bleed including bandaging it safely, with either bandages or articles of clothing.

It was a lovely opportunity for our children which enabled them to learn more about keeping themselves and others safe. The children thoroughly enjoyed this unique experience and great fun was had by all!



Curriculum and Assessment Information Evening

On Tuesday 10th June, we held our Curriculum and Assessment Information evening which focussed on explaining the demands placed on us by the government and the changes we have made to our School Curriculum, our Assessment procedures, including Reporting to parents and the newly introduced Special Educational Needs and Disabilities reforms, we have needed to implement this year.

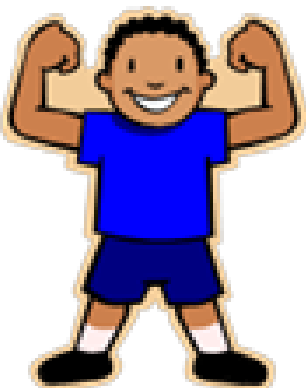
I would like to thank all the parents who were able to join us and hope that you found the meeting interesting and informative. Moving forwards, we aim to communicate further with our parents to ensure that all understand the changes which have been introduced.

In order to learn more about our Curriculum changes, I would encourage parents to visit the Curriculum section of our school website. If you scroll down to the bottom of the page you will find links to the Year groups and more importantly documents which explain the school's topics/themes, detailing what children will be learning about, when studying a particular topic. There are also helpful hints/tips included for parents offering their child support, at home. These will be updated at the beginning of the new academic year.

In addition, there will be further literature sent out with the Annual End of Year Report. This information will hopefully provide an overall picture of how assessment and reporting to parents have been developed and give parents a better understanding of their child/ren's progress. This includes referencing to targets children have been working through in the Autumn and Spring term, as well as a further description of how progress and attainment is now communicated, whether that be emerging, secure or advanced. It is the intention to enable enough time at the end of the year to allow parents the opportunity to come in to school and discuss their child's report with their teacher, particularly in light of the recent assessment changes. Further information about this will be communicated later in the term.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day is next Monday, 22 June, with races starting at 1.30pm. Our reserve day is Tuesday 23 June. As always, we are dependant on the weather being kind to us.



If we are not able to go ahead because the weather is bad, or has made the field very wet, we will let you know via a Parentmail2 text as early as possible, and by 12noon at the latest, on Monday. Sports Day is a very busy day in school, so we ask that you don't telephone to enquire if we are going ahead—please wait for the text.

Please make sure that your child has their P.E. kit (royal blue t-shirt, navy shorts), water bottle, and cap in school with them on Monday. *Please note: children will not need their navy outdoor PE Kit e.g. track-suit top or bottoms.* If you are coming to watch, please park at The British Legion, and not in Church Street or the surrounding roads, where parked cars are a hazard to other road users and a nuisance to local residents.

I hope that we have a fine afternoon and look forward to sharing the fun with you.

Morrison's Let's Grow Vouchers

We have now received the goods ordered last Autumn with our Morrison's Vouchers. These include a poly tunnel, to get plants off to an earlier start in the spring, and cooking equipment, oven gloves and aprons.

Thank you to everyone who collected vouchers for us last year.



Key Stage 1 Outdoor Activities

Our Key Stage 1 children have been enjoying the summer weather in our school grounds—our Year 1/Year 2 classes have been using our grounds as part of their 'Open Your Eyes' topic, and our Reception children have enjoyed weaving on our outdoor loom. Let's hope the fine weather continues for all of our summer term activities!



Weaving on our outdoor Earth Loom

Mini Beast Hunting in our Wildlife Area



Learning about what grows on our field

Uniform orders for September 2015

Orders should be [placed online](#) by this Friday, **19 June** to be sure that they arrive in school before we break up for the summer. We carry very little uniform stock in school, so please don't rely on purchasing uniform from us at the beginning of next term.

Please be aware that orders placed online currently still have to be processed by school, which means that orders placed during the holidays cannot be actioned until our return in September.

We hope soon to be able to tell you about some exciting developments in the way that you can order uniform, which will give you much more flexibility and choice, including the option of delivery to your home address during the holidays.

DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE!