



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

22 April 2015

DIARY DATES

Dates for the School Year 2014-2015 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.

Friday 24 April

Living World Presentations for all children.



Thursday 30 April

Tag Rugby Tournament

Friday 8 May

Reception/Year 1 Class Assembly 9.15am



Monday 11 May—

Friday 15 May.

Key Stage 2 SATS week

(Key Stage 1 SATS take place throughout May).

Wednesday 20 May

Year 6 Church Schools' Festival in Lincoln Cathedral.



Friday 22 May

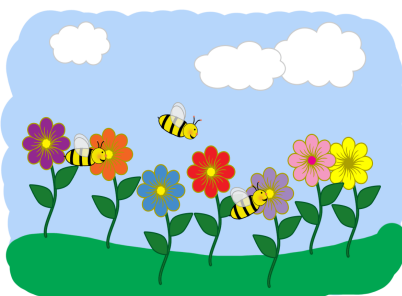
Year 5 Class Assembly 9.15am

Friday 22 May

School Closes for half term holiday

Monday 1 June

School re-opens



Dear Parents/Carers

I can't quite believe, we are coming to the end of the second week of the Summer Term. The children are working extremely hard and are enjoying the sunnier weather, at the moment. Looking ahead, there continues to be a wide range of exciting opportunities to enhance learning for all pupils, including: upcoming visits, themed days, Sports Day and our biannual Summer Fair, to name a few. I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and keeping up to date with 'life' at Barrowby! Mr L Batey Headteacher

Enhanced Healthy Schools



I am delighted to tell you that, following on from our Healthy Schools re-accreditation, we have now been awarded enhanced Healthy Schools Status. You can read the very positive comments about our school below. Well done everyone, and especially Mrs Tinkley for preparing our submission.



Thank you for your school's Enhancement submission showing that you have extended the excellent work which earned you Healthy School Status and met the required standard to achieve Healthy School Enhancement.

I am very pleased to inform you that Barrowby CofE Primary School has been awarded Enhancement for the following priorities:-

Priority 1 – Healthy Weight Healthy Lives

This is an outstanding submission for Enhancement Status. It shows that Barrowby are absolutely committed to creating positive experiences for young people within the Healthy Weight Healthy Lives criteria. A multi-pronged approach has been taken to increasing universal participation within physical activity, including targeted approaches such as setting up a girls' football club. An extensive menu of activities appears to be available, as partly organised by the School Sports Committee and provided by specialist coaches, to give children and young people 'a voice' and also access to high quality sports and activities. Barrowby have been commended by LCC Food in Schools team and use their practices as a positive example for others to learn from. There is fantastic evidence of engagement with external agencies, keeping up to date with food standards as well as making this a pleasurable social experience for all. The organised efforts of Barrowby School, along with further signposting into the community will work towards instilling a real love for physical activity, competition and therefore a passion for leading a healthy lifestyle.

Pupil Leadership



This term, sees an extension to our Pupil Leadership opportunities for our pupils. Many of our children have enjoyed key roles within our school including: acting as part of the School Council, Class Council or within the Sports Committee; or as members of various committees such as our Fundraising and Digital Media Champions. We continue to encourage all our pupils to 'take the lead,' supporting younger children, within the school. In part, this is achieved through roles such as Playground Leaders, Lunchtime Buddies and our newly introduced 'Pupil Led Activities' offered during the Lunchtime breaks, for Key Stage 1 and 2 children. These many opportunities enable our children to fully take responsibilities for different areas of the school and encourage the children to be independent, organised and above all responsible e.g. gathering resources, preparing activities, supervising younger children and even taking registers! Our thanks go to all pupils for getting involved and 'taking the lead' and for their valuable contribution towards our school.

Parent Information Evening

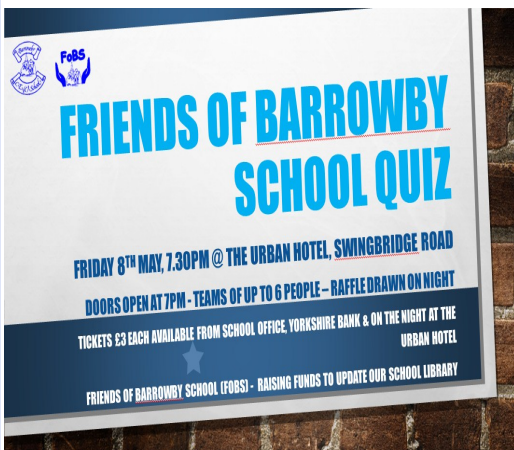
As you may know, there have been a number of changes to our school curriculum and assessment procedures, this year. We would like to invite our parents to attend an information evening on Wednesday 10th June at 5pm. The meeting will cover changes to the school curriculum and assessment; providing further support for our parents. Further information will be available soon.

Plants for our Wildlife Area

If the nice weather has encouraged you out into the garden, please look out for any 'spare' plants that you could donate for our wildlife area. Some of these might be things that you consider weeds in the garden, but are wild flowers when they grow in the right place! If you can help, please pot up the plants and bring them in to school for the children to plant. Here are a few suggestions:

Snowdrops Bluebells Primroses Foxgloves Aquilegia
Forget-me-nots Cornflowers Hardy geraniums

Or anything else you have to spare! Thank you.



FOBs Quiz Night

FOBS Quiz Night is coming up soon, on Friday 8 May. Why not come along and test your skills at this fun event to support our school.

We would also welcome donations of raffle prizes—please bring these to school as soon as possible.



Signposting to Holiday and Term Activities from other schools and providers.

You can find out about a range of opportunities [here](#). We are happy to signpost activities, but parents/carers must check the suitability of activities for their children themselves.

Parking

We have again received a complaint about inconsiderate parking in Church Street. Please do not bring your cars into Church Street—there is ample parking available at The British Legion, only five minutes' walk away. We ask all parents/carers to support us by co-operating with this request, which is in the interests of the safety of your children, as well as avoiding inconvenience to residents.

If you see someone parking or manoeuvring in a way which you consider to be dangerous or illegal, please record the registration number (take a photo if you can) and report them to the police. Unfortunately, we have no direct jurisdiction over the public highway, and therefore rely on the school and local community to monitor the traffic and parking situation in Church Street.

As many of you know, we have been asking parents to support us by minimising the traffic in Church Street for years, and we really appreciate the support we receive from many of you. It is very sad that the actions of an inconsiderate minority are affecting relationships with our village community, as well as endangering our children.

**THINK
BEFORE YOU
PARK!**



Pre-worn uniform

We have a range of good quality second hand school uniform available at very reasonable prices—please contact Mrs Midgley or Ms Waller to check items/sizes available. All sales of second hand uniform supports FOBS.