

## DIARY DATES

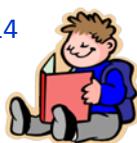
Dates for the School Year 2014-2015 can be found on the school website. [CLICK HERE](#) or on any of the links below to go to the calendar.

Please check regularly for new dates. You will receive further information about forthcoming events nearer the time, as appropriate.

Monday 3 November  
School re-opens

Tuesday 11 November 2014  
Bags2School Collection

Tuesday 11 November 2014  
Curriculum Information Meeting for Reception Parents 2.00pm



Wednesday 12 November 2014  
Bags2School Collection



Wednesday 26 November 2014  
Key Stage 2 Disco 3.30—5.00pm

Tuesday 2 December 2014  
Reception Christmas Celebration Assembly 9.15am

Thursday 4 December 2014  
Key Stage 1  
Nativity Performance 1.45pm



Friday 5 December 2014  
Key Stage 1  
Nativity Performance 1.45pm  
Walton Girls' High School  
Choir Festival 5.00pm

Thursday 11 December 2014  
Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert 2.00pm & 6.00pm in Barrowby Church

Wednesday 17 December 2014  
Christmas Party and Panto Day

Thursday 18 December 2014  
School Christmas Service  
Christmas Lunch  
Term ends.



## Barrowby Church of England Primary School

### Newsletter

October 2014 2nd Edition

Dear Parents/Carers

*This term seems to have come and gone. What a start to the academic year! May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has continued to support our school and its events. Enjoy your half-term break, as we look ahead to what promises to be another exciting term at Barrowby CE Primary School.*

Mr L Batey  
Headteacher

### Events in School

#### Bookfair

Thank you for your support of our Bookfair—we were able to claim over £800 worth of new books for our class libraries. Thank you especially to the FOBS members who ran the fair after school each evening, and to those of you who kindly sponsored a book for you child's class.



#### Macmillan Event



Thank you for your support of FOB's fundraising event for Macmillan Cancer Research, which raised £68.17. We also raised £40 from school staff. During November, Mr Batey will be growing a beard and moustache as part of 'Movember', which raises money for research into testicular cancer. If you would like to support him, a sponsor form and collection box will be available at the front desk.

#### Girls' Football Tournament



Our team took part in the tournament at Barrowby Low Fields on 23 October, competing against 11 other local schools. The girls had a great time, and were a credit to the school. Teams played two sets of three games. Although we lost the first three games, we won the next game 0-1, coming 10th out of 12, overall but 2nd in our second league! Well done girls.

#### Coming soon....

As you know, our school website contains a great deal of information about school life, and events, as well as class pages and links to our community, and we know that it is well used by our school community. We are currently in the process of making some changes which we hope will make it even easier to use, and even more accessible.

Although the basic structure and design will not change, we will be making information easier to find, with more information available from the Home Page, and most things no more than two clicks away! We are hoping that the updated site will be ready to use after Christmas.

## Staffing

Mrs Deane is leaving us at half term. We are very sorry to see her go, as she has been an important part of our team for many years, as Midday Controller, Teaching Assistant, and Higher Level Teaching Assistant. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her hard work and commitment to the school and to wish her every happiness in the future.

## School Meals and food and drinks in school

I am pleased to tell you that our hot school meals continue to go well. You can find out about two special Lunch days coming up in the week after half term [here](#). Please remember that meals for the first week back (Monday 3—Friday 7 November will need to be ordered by Tuesday 28 October (during half term week) if you have not already ordered. Should you have any queries over ordering, please contact Food4Thought directly. If you have not already done so, please complete and return our [questionnaire](#), we will share the results with you after half term.

As you may be aware, all children are encouraged to have a water bottle in school, and these are available to children throughout the school day. It has always been our policy that these bottles may only contain water, which is in line with government guidelines. Unfortunately, a small number of children are still coming to school with squash, or other drinks in their water bottles. In future, if the water bottle contains a drink other than plain water, the child will not be permitted to drink it during school time, but will be offered water to drink.



Now that all children are eating together at the dining tables in the hall, there is no longer any need for parents to provide a lunchtime drink if a child is bringing a packed lunch, as all children can access a glass of water as part of the dining experience. If you do send a lunchtime drink, it will remain in your child's lunchbox/bag until they go into the hall for lunch, and will not be available to them at other times of the school day.

**Revised Standards for School Food come into force in January 2015 and we will be working with parents to ensure that packed lunches, as well as food provided in school, meet these standards.**



Also from January 2015, we will be offering milk to all pupils each day. This will be free to children under 5, and those eligible for Free School Meals on income grounds, and available at a small cost for other children. As with school meals, parents will be able to order milk for their children if they require it. This is in addition to the free fruit available to children in Key Stage 1 each day. We will let you know more details of the milk scheme nearer the time.

## Lincolnshire Music Service 'Folk with Fiddles Celebration' Saturday 22 November

Children from our school, who are learning the violin, are taking part in the above event, which gives Lincolnshire string players of all standards, the opportunity to play in an *enormous* string orchestra to present a spectacular concert for their families and the wider community.

Players will be coming from all areas of the county with their violins, violas, cellos and double basses to make music together on a very large scale!

There is an exciting music programme for this year's concert including a medley of themes from the musical 'Les Miserables' and the popular 'Canon' by Pachelbel. If toe-tapping music is more your style, then enjoy watching professional dancers in the spectacular 'Lord of the Dance' and a brand new Lincolnshire Folk Song Medley arranged by local composer Jonty Nowell. The concert will also feature the Lincolnshire Youth Cello Ensemble and String Chamber Orchestra, which allows the audience to witness the high standard of string playing we have in our county. This event takes place at the Meres Leisure Centre, Grantham, NG31 7XQ, on Saturday 22 November 2014, starting at 7.00pm.



### Morrisons 'Let's Grow' Vouchers

This year's promotion is coming to an end, so if you have any more vouchers, please send them into school as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.



### Keeping Our Children Safe



As many of you will know, parking in Church Street and the surrounding roads has been a problem for many years.

Parked cars, and drivers manoeuvring near the school present a real hazard to the safety of all our children and other pedestrians and road users. Cars parked in Rectory Lane cause an obstruction, and force cars onto the wrong side of the road. I know that many of our parents support us in our request not to park in Church Street, or anywhere that might present a hazard, and once again I thank you for your support.

Parking is available at the British Legion, just five minutes from school, so there is no reason for parents/carers to bring cars into Church Street. It may seem more convenient to park in Church Street—but is it worth the risk to a child's safety? If you bring your child to school by car you have a clear choice: park away from school and help our children to be safe, or park in and around Church Street and put them in danger. Please make the right choice.

If you observe someone driving, or parking, dangerously, please take note of the registration number and report the incident to the police.

Thank you for your support.

### Roadworks in Church Street

Lincolnshire County Council have informed us that they intend to undertake essential carriageway kerbing and patching works on Church Street, Barrowby.

The work is currently programmed to start on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014** and is expected to last five days, although these dates could change if there are unforeseen circumstances, such as weather delays.



During the works access will have to be restricted, and delays are likely. Work will take place between the hours 09:30 and 15:00 to avoid the peak school times.

### Our School 100 Years Ago

October 1914

7th Miss Todd is absent today—ill. In consequence of Miss Todd's absence no cardboard modelling was taken today.

14th The wet morning has reduced the attendance considerably.

15th Thirteen infants absent today through coughs and many present are suffering from bad coughs. 'Whooping' cough is suspected.

23rd The garden sales for the session have realised £2 4s 11/2d.

30th The Garden Session finished today. The store house for tools has been fitted up by the boys.

