

DIARY DATES

Dates for the School Year can be found on our website.

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Thursday 23rd June

Year 6 Afternoon Tea



Friday 24th June

Year 3 Class Assembly

Friday 24th June

Music for Schools presentation for parents



Monday 27th June

Sports Day

Tuesday 28th June

Reserve Sports Day

Thursday 7th July

Year 1/2 visit to Rutland Water

Monday 11th July

Year 6 Party

Thursday 14th July

Year 5 Class Visit to St Phillip's Centre, Leicester

Thursday 21st July

School closes for Summer holidays



Friday 17th June

FoBs meeting in school at 2.00 pm.



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

17 June 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

What another very busy week, we have all enjoyed, here at school. When our children embody our school's values and demonstrate exceptional behaviour and exemplary attitudes, it fills you with immense pride. This is how Mrs Wright, Mrs Watson, Mrs Kay, Mrs Morris, Mrs Bird and I felt last week, when we accompanied our Year 6 children to London.

It is safe to say, that at Barrowby, 'we strive for excellence,' recognised and graded Outstanding by OFSTED, in 2011 and witnessed by staff and parents through all aspects of daily school life and when our children attend various local events. Sometimes, this generic term is difficult to quantify, what does it mean? When you work hard, on a daily basis, encouraging all children to reflect our school's aims, values and ethos in all that they do, it becomes, 'something we do.'

Well, last week, when we took our Year 6 children to London they showed us all, what it means to be 'outstanding.' They were an absolute delight, every single child embodying our school's expectations in both behaviour and attitude. They were exemplary and a true credit to our school and their parents. Thank you to all members of staff who accompanied the children, so they could benefit from this wonderful experience, to the children for their continued 'excellence' and to their parents, who waited patiently and were on hand to collect their children promptly, when we arrived back at 8.00pm.

We all continue to be very excited about all aspects of school life and I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter.

Mr L Batey Headteacher

School Events

London Visit

Year 6 enjoyed a fabulous sunny and very busy 2 days in London last week! They managed to just about catch a glimpse of Buckingham Palace, as there were so many tourists and mounted police getting ready for the Queen's street party, on The Mall, on Sunday!

For the first time on this visit, the children enjoyed a very relaxing river cruise on the River Thames – a great way to see all the famous landmarks the children had been learning about! The evening entertainment began with a fabulous tea at the Rainforest Café – complete with virtual thunderstorms.

Without a doubt, the highlight of the visit was watching a breathtakingly amazing performance of Wicked! A very late night, but so very worthwhile!

After an early (and delicious) breakfast the next day, the children headed off to explore Ripley's Believe it or Not museum, where they were fascinated by the world's tallest man and the Black Hole simulator!

Our last visit was to the Science Museum, where the children enjoyed a picnic and explored the Space exhibits – some even took a 'trip' to the Moon! Wow!

A great time was had by all!



Reception Induction

On Tuesday 14th June, we welcomed our Reception 2016 children and their parents into school for the first induction session.



The children were all taken to Mrs Banfield's classroom for a morning of activities at 'big school' with both Mrs Banfield and Mrs Selby. They were assisted by the teaching assistants, Mrs Hart, Mrs Watson and Mrs Woodward.

While the children were in class, the parents attended a meeting in the school hall with Mr Batey. Parents were given lots of useful information about our school ethos, daily routines and what their children can expect from attending Barrowby CE Primary School. The next induction session for these children is on Tuesday 21st June at 1.30 pm, where parents will leave their children with us, to enjoy an array of activities before collecting them at 3.00 pm.

British Values

On Thursday 16th June, at 2.00pm, the school children congregated in the hall to sing the 'National Anthem' and watch the live match, 'England vs Wales.' The atmosphere was electric as the children watched the players passing back, driving forward and trying their hardest to score a goal for their team, resulting in a goal for Wales-in the first half!

The 'European Tournament' is held every 4 years and provides our British teams with the opportunity to compete with other teams from different countries. During this game, we saw England play Wales and the children enjoyed the opportunity to support the teams and witness the match first hand. During the match, the children enjoyed a commentary provided by Mr Batey and the opportunity to share their thoughts and insights: evaluating the effectiveness of the teams, exploring possible 'game-play' strategies as well as predicting the outcome of the game.

Uniform

Need to place your uniform order and wanting FREE delivery to school? Place your order by 20th June 2016 at schooltrends.co.uk to take advantage of the FREE delivery to school option. Orders placed after this date will be delivered to your chosen address, please allow 21 days for delivery during the peak summer season.

To give School Trends enough time to get your order to you before our first day back in September, we are asking all our parents to order before 9th August.

Music for Schools



A chance to blow your own trumpet, 'toot' your own flute or learn to play clarinet, cornet or saxophone!

Music for Schools is a charity that provides music lessons, for children, at our school and are once again, coming to our school on Friday 24th June, at 3.20pm. Before this meeting, your child will have the opportunity to listen to and learn more about instrumental tuition.

Please come and see our very own, 'Music Man' to find out more – no obligation, packages to suit all budgets, on Friday 24th June at 3.20pm, in the Y4 classroom, if your child is interested in starting instrumental tuition.

Sunflower Growing Competition

Mrs Lucas and the Food Ambassadors were thrilled to hear that so many children are growing their sunflowers from seed. As soon as the seedling starts to appear you can begin to complete the stage by stage sunflower diary (can be downloaded from the school website located in the Food Ambassadors folder).



The closing date for completed entries, including the diary, will be Friday 8th July. The prizes will be presented to the Key Stage 1 and 2 winners, during the following week.

Thank you for supporting us in encouraging and developing further our 'growing culture' amongst our children.

Signposted Activities and Opportunities

This week we have added some more to our website including an exciting opportunity for a Reception/ Year 1 child to audition for a part in Miss Saigon! - Priory Ruskin Academy's Bristol Old Vic trained Director, Matthew Hewitt is looking for a young star to play the role of Kim and Chris's son – 'Tam.' He features throughout the show and the part is of the up-most importance.

Matthew said 'Tam should be 4 or 5 years old, around 3 foot tall and have dark hair. He is such an important role, he steals the show and audiences love him. He will be given every support by the creative team and we have licenced chaperones on site, he will be very well looked after, his parents would also be very welcome to stay on site if they wanted to do that.'

You will also find information about the performance of Miss Saigon, if you wish to go and see it, and also information about the Dysart Park Family Fun Day by clicking [here](#).

We are happy to signpost out of school activities from other providers. However, parents should not regard this an endorsement or recommendation, and must satisfy themselves of the suitability of the activity for their child.

