

DIARY DATES

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

[CLICK HERE](#) to go to the
calendar.

Sunday 24 April—4.00 pm
Colsterworth Festival 20th
Anniversary Concert—Walton Girls'
High School



Friday 29 April
Living World Presentation

Monday 2 May
School closed—Bank Holiday

Wednesday 4 May
Year 3 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Year 4 visit to Stibbington

Friday 27 May
Year 5 Class Assembly

Friday 27 May
School closes for half term

Monday 6 June
School re-opens.

Thursday 9– Friday 10 June
London residential



Friday 13th May 7.30 pm
Quiz Night

Teams of up to 6 people.
Tickets priced at £3 each.
On sale from school.

Friday 10th June
FoBs meeting in school at 2.00 pm.



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

22 April 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Well, here we are, another week gone from our Summer term. I can't believe where the time seems to be going. What I can say, is that all members of our school are working incredibly hard, which can be seen from the children's work displayed around our school, as well as in the children's books.

This week has seen the start of our planned refurbishments which has included the replacement of the wooden perimeter fence; maintenance of our adventure playground as well as the installation of our new school library furniture. Most of this work is due to finish this week with the exception of the replacement of the fencing-which should conclude next week.

However, next week, sees the start of our school extension and contractors will be arriving on Monday to 'set up' on site, with works due to start on Tuesday. Earlier this week, I wrote to all parents and our school neighbours advising them of this work.

It is hoped that the refurbishment work will not disrupt school life, too much, so activities such as extra-curricular activities can still take place and all our pupils can enjoy the summer term. The contractors have assured us that they will do their best to minimise the disruptions to our school, particularly at the start and end of the day.

Please be mindful of this when dropping children off, in the morning; or picking up children up, at the end of the school day or after an extra-curricular activity.

All children need to arrive at school for 8.55am and the school gates open at 8.45am to allow a smooth transition to the start of the school day. Please refrain from coming earlier to school and waiting outside, on the pavement or in cars parked on Church Street, as our contractors may need access to the school. The children will continue to be brought out of school, at the end of the school day, as normal. Any children who are waiting outside of the school should be accompanied by an adult at all times.

All of these works will continue to enhance both the visual appearance of our school as well as contribute towards ensuring our school is best placed to support all of the children's needs.

I would like to thank you, in advance, for your understanding and support at this time.

I am also very excited to inform you that thanks to the fundraising efforts of our Year 6 children, last year, we are beginning to organise their Legacy Gift, for the enjoyment of all our children.

This includes creating 'soft seating' area at play and lunchtime which the children were told about today, in assembly; as well as providing the children with a range of activity boxes for them to enjoy.

I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and finding out more about aspects of school life and how you can help to make it 'even better.'

Mr L Batey Headteacher



School Events

Year 5 Viking Day

Year 5 have thoroughly enjoyed immersing themselves in a Viking Day, on Friday 14th April!

The morning began with a gentle classroom story, when a horn was blown and a man dressed as a Viking invaded the classroom! The Viking visitor had transformed our library into a Viking encampment.

They learnt about the various weapons Vikings used and took part in some role play battles! Outside, the children were shown how the Viking Warriors made fire and he demonstrated how to light and extinguish a fire safely. Through acting and dressing up, the children took part in stories from Viking times and even held a Viking funeral, learning about all the various pieces that were buried with them in order to have a comfortable afterlife. It was a packed day full of excitement, action and lot of laughs!



Year 4 Brass Lessons

On Wednesday 20th April, Year 4 were very pleased to welcome Mr Bell, from the Lincolnshire Music Service, into their class. He came accompanied by 34 brightly coloured trumpets!



Over the next twelve weeks, all of the children in Year 4 will be learning to play the trumpet and learn more about 'musicality.'



This is a very exciting initiative and we look forward to seeing how this develops, over the term.

Outdoor Activity Boxes

At lunch times and play times we have lots of equipment for the children to enjoy, on the playground. We have asked the children what else they would like for outside and they have come up with some fabulous ideas such as Lego, knitting/crocheting, scooters, board games, CD player and many more!

The money raised by last years Year 6 children will provide some of this new equipment, as their Legacy Gift to the school.



We would also be grateful if parents, family and friends could donate any unwanted Lego, farmyard animals, dinosaurs, cars or knitting wool that they may have at home.

If you have any of these items that you are happy to donate towards our lunchtime resources then please send them to the school office.



As you can see from the picture, Mr Batey has had lots of fun 'road testing' one of the new resources!



Queen's Birthday Celebrations

As you will know, Thursday 21st April was Queen Elizabeth's 90th birthday.

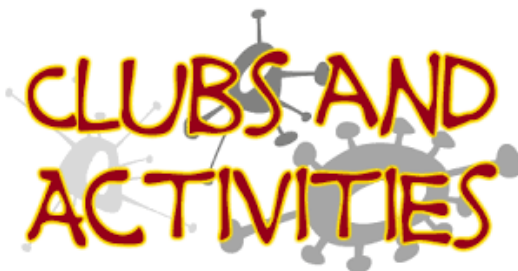
We had a whole school assembly, led by Mrs Silby, to start the celebrations in school. The children learnt lots of facts about our Queen and finished by all singing the National Anthem.

We will keep you informed of other upcoming events in school, to mark this momentous occasion .

Extra-Curricular Activities

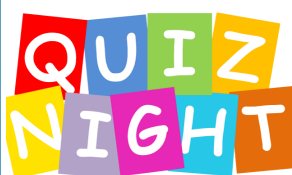
You will have received an email this week for each after school club that your child has been allocated a place on.

Some of our after school clubs were very oversubscribed so please check these emails carefully. If you have not received an email then unfortunately your child has not been allocated a place.



Vacancies in School

We currently have a vacancy in school for a cleaner. If you or anyone that you know is interested, then please click on this [link](#), for more information and to access the application form



FoBS Quiz

Don't forget that tickets for the FoBS Quiz night are available from the school office!

This is being held at the Urban Hotel, on Friday 13th May, at 7.30 pm. A team can consist of up to 6 players with the entrance fee being £3 per person.

Library Refurbishment Update

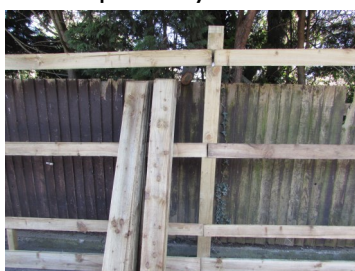
The library refurbishment work started, on Thursday 21st April and we hope that this will be completed by the end of this week.

We can't wait to move all of the books back in and see the finished results!



Fence Works

The work on replacing all of the school fences has also started this week. As you can see from the pictures below, this is progressing nicely and will hopefully be completed by the end of next week.



Volunteers Wanted

We Need You!

Are you free next Thursday and can spare a few hours of your time?

If so, we need volunteers to help a staff member to paint our picnic benches. We will provide the materials and also tea and coffee!

Please let the school office know if you are available.



To keep up to date with all of the refurbishment works, please visit:

- [School Developments](#)
- [Stage 2: Re-modelling of the school library](#)
- [Stage 3: Perimeter Fence](#)