



**DIARY DATES**

Dates for the School Year can be found on our website. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to the calendar. Please check regularly for new dates. You will receive further information about forthcoming events as appropriate.

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

**Tuesday 10 November**



Reception Parents' Curriculum Meeting  
2.00pm

**Thursday 12 November**

Y6 London Information Evening 5.00pm –6.00pm

**Tuesday 1 December**

Reception Christmas Assembly  
9.30am



**Thursday 3 December**

KS1 Nativity Performance  
1.45pm



**Friday 4 December**

KS1 Nativity Performance  
9.30am

**Thursday 10 December**

Key Stage 2 Carol Service  
Barrowby Church  
2.00pm and 6.30pm



**Friday 11 December**

Our Traditional Christmas Fair  
5.00pm—7.00pm

**Monday 14 December**

Christmas Potted Sports

**Tuesday 15 December**

School Christmas Service



**Wednesday 16 December**

Party and Panto Day

**Thursday 17 December**

Christmas Dinner  
School closes.



**Tuesday 5 January**

School-re-opens

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school, after your restful half-term break. I can't quite believe we are entering November, the weather's changing and the nights are drawing in. Nevertheless, the children have returned to school full of enthusiasm and all have made a really good start. I hope you enjoy reading this week's news.

Mr L Batey Headteacher

**Events in School**

**Bisi Badminton**

On the evening of Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, a group of four children, representing each class in Key Stage 2, attended the Bisi Badminton Festival at KGGS. They joined eight other schools and a host of young sports leaders from KGGS, Kings and Priory Ruskin Academy.



The children had the opportunity to play eight fun skills games before being given the opportunity to try out a real badminton rally. The rally was brilliantly demonstrated by three children, two of whom were from Barrowby School. It was a great opportunity to develop further Badminton skills and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Well done!

**Autumn Club**



Mrs Watson and Mrs Rowlands' Autumn Club has been very busy this term, culminating in making an Autumn fruit crumble. The children cut the apples independently, added fresh blackberries and sprinkled their crumble topping gently over the top. Mmm...delicious!



The children have also enjoyed learning about hibernating animals, where they made their own hibernation homes for our wildlife area. They have sculptured clay models of hedgehogs; adding autumnal leaves, berries and twigs for their 'tactile prickles' as well as embarking on their very own 'adventure sensory trail' where the children collected autumnal elements and fixed them to their own crown, celebrating Autumn. Well done to everyone!

**Barrowby Scouts Donation**

We have had a lovely donation of winter hanging baskets, planted up by Barrowby Scouts with plants, baskets and brackets donated by Homebase in Grantham. The baskets are pictured here with some of our Barrowby School pupils who are Scouts, and who helped to plant the baskets. Thank you to the Scouts, and Homebase for helping to brighten up our school over the winter.



### Teaching in Year 3, and Year 1/2 ST/SF

During this half term, there will be some changes to teaching arrangements in Year 3, and Year 1/2 ST/SF , which will provide additional experiences and opportunities in both classes.

Mrs Lucas will continue to teach Year 3 on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Mr Farley will teach Year 3 all week. This means that on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, Year 3 will have a second teacher in class, to extend the support and opportunities available to all children.

Mrs Tinkley will continue to teach Year 1/2 ST/SF on Wednesday, Thursdays and Fridays as at present, and Mrs Lucas will teach on Mondays and Tuesdays.

These arrangements will share experiences and expertise across the two classes, which will benefit all the children.

### Stalls for our Christmas Fair

We have had a very good response to our invitation to be a stallholder at our Christmas Fair on Friday 11 December, but still have room for a few more! If you would like to have a stall, please contact the School Office as soon as possible.



#### P.E. Kit

Please make sure that your child has his/her P.E. kit in school *every day*. We have recently had a lot of children asking to borrow kit. Please ensure that all kit, including outdoor P.E. kit, is approved school uniform, and clearly labelled with your child's name. Thank you.

### Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

In previous years, our Shout! Group has organised a collection of Shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child. These gifts are taken to children who would otherwise not receive a gift at Christmas. We will not be organising shoebox gifts in school this year, but if you would like to pack a shoebox, you are welcome to drop it off to school by Friday 13 November, at the latest, so that it can be included with the shoebox collection at Barrowby Church. Boxes can also be brought to Barrowby Church at the Families Service at 9.30am on 15 November. You can find out more about Operation Christmas Child [here](#).



### Parking

As you know, all parents are asked not to park in Church Street, and to respect the School Safety Zone. Many parents support us—thank you—but sadly some do not. We have again received a complaint from a parent this week regarding inconsiderate and dangerous parking. Please set all our children a good example by co-operating with our request to park considerately and safely within Church Street.



#### Winter is coming!

It's already turning colder, and who knows what the weather has in store for us! Please make sure children have coats with them, and hats and gloves if necessary. Children play outdoors unless the weather is very poor. Please also make sure that your contact details are up to date on ParentmailPMX.

### Signposting

We are happy to signpost events and organisations which may be of interest to our school community. You can find information about activities for children [here](#), and support services for families [here](#).

**New opportunities are added frequently, so please check regularly.**

However, we cannot recommend or endorse any activity or organisation outside of school, and parents/carers must therefore satisfy themselves of their suitability.