

DIARY DATES

Dates for the School Year can be found on our website. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to the calendar.

Tuesday 13th June
Reception Induction afternoon

Thursday 15th June
Kwik Cricket Tournament

Wednesday 21st June
Mini Olympics

Wednesday 21st June
Year 5 Class Assembly

Friday 23rd June
Summer Fair



Friday 23rd June
Non-Uniform Day for Bone Cancer

Monday 26th June
Sports Day

Tuesday 27th June
Reserve Sports Day or Key Stage 2 House Tournament

Wednesday 28th June
Key Stage 1 House Tournament

Thursday 29th June
Year 1/2 Class visit to Woodside Falconry Centre

Friday 30th June
Large Schools' Athletics

Monday 10th July
Year 5 Parent 11+ Consultations

Wednesday 12th July
Open Parent Consultation

Wednesday 12th July
Max Respect—Year 6 Transition Talk



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Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

16 June 2017

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

Dear Parent/Carers

Well, what another very busy week we have all enjoyed at Barrowby CE Primary School. I can't quite believe we've been back at school for 2 whole weeks—and the sun is shining! The children and staff have been very busy and have enjoyed a whole host of activities.

My thanks must go to all members of our school community: to the children who continue to 'shine' in all that they do; to the staff, for their unwavering support and dedication to support all our children to 'strive for excellence'; and to our parents, for their continued trust and support, so that together we can make a real difference to our pupils. I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter.

Len Batey
Headteacher

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Events in School

Reception Induction

On Tuesday 6th June, we thoroughly enjoyed welcoming our new Reception children, who are joining the school in September. Last Tuesday morning, they came to their first induction session with their parents and had 'fun' in the classroom, getting to know each other while parents learnt a 'little about school life', with Mr Batey.



On Tuesday 13th June, the children returned for their second session, and as luck would have it the sun shone brightly! The children were able to access the Outdoor Classroom, take in the sights of our fabulous surroundings and of course, the most important thing of all, play on the Adventure Playground! It was lovely to meet our new children, who will be joining us. Welcome to the Barrowby family.

Jump Revolution



According to A.A. Milne's Tigger:

"...life is not about how fast you run or how high you climb but how well you bounce!"

This was certainly the case, at a new fun festival, at Grantham's Jump Revolution!

On Wednesday 7th June, a small team of Year 6 children were able to represent the school, as part of our very first 'Trampolining Team'. The children took part in a range of fun activities including: dodgeball, basketball shoot out, battle beam balancing and cardio fitness wall; there was even time to fit in having a go, just for fun, on the 'leap of faith' wall. To finish the festival one child was selected to run the 'Gladiator course' to secure the final crucial points! All children had a wonderful time and were excited to represent the school. Overall, our 'Trampolining Team' won an amazing 3rd place and all children came away with a bronze medal. Wow! What a team, just like us, Tigger would be so proud! Well done!

We promote equality of opportunity for all, irrespective of gender, race, creed, ability or disability.

Visiting Pupil

On Wednesday 7th June, Mr Batey was delighted to welcome back to school one of our past pupils who, with his family, had emigrated to Australia-over a year ago. As part of a visit to England, catching up with family and friends Harvey and his mum popped in to school to meet up with Mr Batey, Harvey's past teachers and his class mates.



It was wonderful to see how much he had grown, in the time he has been in Australia. Harvey told Mr Batey and his friends in Year 3, that it had taken him 28 hours to travel half way around the world, to visit us at Barrowby. He also explained how life was a 'little different-down under': wearing a hat at playtime, is compulsory in Australia, to avoid heat stroke and his school playing field is open to wildlife, such as Kangaroos! The children thoroughly enjoyed this great opportunity to learn a little bit more about life in a different country.

Thanks must go to Mrs Hermiston and Harvey for visiting us, at Barrowby. It was lovely to see them and we hope they enjoy the rest of their visit, to England and have a safe journey back home-to Australia.

London Residential Visit



On Thursday 8th June, until Friday 9th June our Year 6 children enjoyed their annual residential visit to London. Their itinerary was jam packed and they had a wonderful time.

We set off at 8am and headed for The London eye where the children enjoyed a River Thames cruise with a tour guide and got to see some of the fabulous sights of London from the rivers view. This was fantastic! We then headed to the Rainforest Café where we enjoyed burger and chips in the Jungle, accompanied by Gorillas, birds and ferocious storms!

We then headed to the theatre to see Wicked which was not a disappointment. The lighting, effects, actors and songs were all inspiring and the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the back story to The Wizard of Oz and how the Wicked Witch developed. This was a heart-breaking story in places with strong messages and morals for the children to take away and consider through further work in school.

Arriving at the hotel close to midnight, with all the children tired and ready for bed, they found their rooms, had a little time with friends and within 20 minutes all was silent! The second day was as busy as the first with morning breakfast where every child presented themselves with superb manners and attitudes so much so that several members of the community and hotel commended them on their presentation and behaviour. We headed to the Natural History Museum and enjoyed various sights there including the Mammals sections and the long escalator trip up through the centre of the world into the Volcanoes section. This was a highlight! After a picnic lunch, we headed to the Theatre, at Drury Lane for a backstage tour where we were taken down beneath the stage and told stories of this ancient theatre which was absolutely fascinating!



The children enjoyed the history and seeing the various room and sections within a theatre beyond the stalls!



We ended this experience with a long bus drive back to Barrowby where the children took part in 'Barrowby's Got Talent' where they shared songs, comedy acts, impressions and stories to win prizes and of course the legendary 'London Roadshow Quiz!' The children laughed and giggled the whole way back up the A1 having had a magical experience. We thank all the parents for their continual support with this visit throughout difficult circumstances.

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Top Up Swimming

We are currently offering 'top-up swimming' sessions to children from Years 3, 4 and 5. This is to offer further support with their swimming to increase their water confidence so that they will be able to swim at least 25m.

Swimming is part of the National Curriculum, and we hope that all children, by the end of Year 6, will achieve the government recommendation of being able to swim 25 metres.

Inspiring Pupils

On Monday 12th June Mrs Midgley's daughter, Leanne, came into talk to children in Year 5 and 6 about 'Life after Primary School.'

Leanne will be a fully qualified doctor, next year and is currently studying at Nottingham University. The children were fascinated to hear about what to expect when moving into secondary education and showed their enthusiasm by asking lots of questions!

Leanne also helped them to understand the different choices that will become available to them during the secondary school years and shared a little about her life at university, training to be a doctor. Thank you very much Miss Midgley, we wish you lots of luck in your career!

We want our pupils to leave our school as well educated, self confident and caring members of society.

Kwik Cricket Tournament

On Thursday 15th June, ten children travelled to Grantham Cricket Club to participate in the annual Kwik Cricket Tournament. Over the course of their four games, they improved their teamwork, batting, bowling and fielding to develop into a good team. The behaviour displayed was impeccable, with their sportsmanship being complimented by a teaching colleague from a local school.



Well done to all involved.

Parent/Teacher Consultation

On Tuesday 6th June, Mrs Webster had her second parent teacher consultation evening. Thank you to parents for their patience and understanding with the rescheduling of this evening, it is very much appreciated.

Non-Uniform Day for Cancer

One of our Year 6 pupils-Alice Rossington has sadly been diagnosed with a rare form of bone cancer called Osteosarcoma. In light of this, our Year 6 children, would very much like to help raise as much money as they can to support a bone cancer charity. This money would go towards research into treatments for people affected by bone cancer.

On Friday 23rd June, we would like all children in the school to come to school in non-uniform for a £1 donation for this charity. It would be nice if children could come dressed in: purple, gold or yellow for this. The different colours represent:



- Purple represents cancer;
- Gold represents childhood and teenager cancer; and
- Yellow represents bone sarcoma.

During the week of the non-uniform day, the Year 6 children will also be selling colouring sheets to design a t-shirt or a cake for 20p each; 'Name the teddy bear' and 'How many sweets in the jar' competitions.

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Lincolnshire County Badminton Championships

Last weekend, one of our Year 6 boys and Year 4 girls, competed in the Lincolnshire County Badminton Championships.

Our Year 6 pupil played incredibly well and won the U12 Boys singles and runner up in the U12 boys Doubles. He also played in the U16 Boys doubles and missed out of the final by 2 points.

Our Year 4 pupil also played amazingly well, considering she has not been playing for as long. She won the U12 Girls singles. Well done to the both of you, what 'sporting stars!'



Summer Reading Challenge

This summer, Grantham Library are once again, holding the annual Summer Reading Challenge. The idea of the scheme is to get children reading over the summer holidays – the challenge is to read at least six library books over the six weeks holiday.

Studies have proven that children's reading ability can suffer if not practised over such a time period. This year's theme is 'Animal Agents' with characters drawn by children's illustrator Tony Ross!

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

During the challenge, the children will receive stickers and prizes from the library as they progress. These are intended to act as encouragement for them to keep reading and complete the challenge. Membership of the Library and participation in this challenge is free of charge.

The challenge will begin on 15th July 2017. Good luck everyone!

Here is a [link](#) with more information about the Summer Reading Challenge on the Reading Agency's website.

Uniform

Need to place your uniform order and wanting FREE delivery to school? Last day to place your order for FREE delivery to school is 26th June 2017 at schooltrends.co.uk.

Orders placed after this date will be delivered to your chosen address. Please allow 21 days for delivery to home during our peak summer season.



All children should wear a cap, during the sunnier days. School caps, including Baseball and Legionnaire styles are available from School Trends by clicking [HERE](#). Our school Baseball and Legionnaire caps are currently available as part of our 'optional' uniform.



Unfortunately, the variety of headwear which is currently being worn, by the children, during the sunnier weather is not promoting an atmosphere of equality e.g. wider brimmed hats, fashion styled Baseball caps. Moving forward, we ask that all caps worn to school are plain blue and are more in line with our school uniform expectations. We ask all our parents to support and co-operate with us in the matter of uniform to ensure fairness and equality for all.

A Thank you from Sir Lenny Henry

Wow, What a fantastic Red Nose Day ! We are very excited to receive a letter from Sir Lenny Henry with a huge thank you for our fantastic donation to Comic Relief. £73 million raised so far, with a big chunk of that total down to 'brilliant schools like ours.' So once again, thank you so much for your wonderful fundraising.

THANK YOU
for supporting Red Nose Day

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Barrowby School's Great British Summer Fair

As you know, it's nearly time for our Summer Fair on Friday 23rd June, from 5.00pm – 7.00pm. This year, our theme is 'The Great British Summer Fair'. Children should come dressed for Summer!

We are all looking forward to a lovely sunny summer's evening. 

Please find below, an outline of the entertainment for the evening. Please note, if your children are involved, please make sure they return to school in good time to be ready for their performances.



5.00pm	Fair Opens
5.15pm	'National Anthem' Whole School and audience
5.30pm	Country Dancing
5.45pm	School Orchestra
6.00pm	Contemporary Dance
6.15pm	Keys Stage 2 School Choir
6.45pm	Raffle
7.00pm	Fair Closes

Please return any raffle ticket stubs/money/and unsold tickets, by the morning of the Summer Fair.
If you would like extra raffle tickets to sell, please ask at the school office.

We have some fabulous prizes including:

- a Fitbit Alta;
- Cookery Demonstration and tasting session at The Olive Branch, Clipsham;
- Gordon Arch Photography session to include a 45 minute studio shoot, 6 A4 images and a CD;
- Boiler service;
- Family pass to the National Space Centre;
- Family entrance ticket to Belvoir Castle;
- £40 cake voucher;
- 1 hour personal training session;
- Afternoon tea at The Urban Hotel;
- Complimentary meal of 2 mains and a bottle of wine or prosecco at Pizza Express, Grantham
plus many more fabulous prizes!!



Thank you to all parents and businesses who have very kindly donated prizes for our Summer raffle.

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There will also be lots of exciting things for you and your family to enjoy during the evening. These include:

- A 'barrel of booze' raffle, (tickets for this are available on the night at a cost of £1 per strip);
- Face painting;
- The Head teacher in the stocks;
- A Giant Bouncy Slide;
- A BBQ; and
- Ice creams!



The children are also busy making a range of products to be sold during the Fair, including:

Reception/Year 1	Bird Feeders & Wind Chimes
Year 1/2	Fruity Refreshments
Year 3	Plant Pots
Year 4	Books and Bookmarks
Year 5	Homemade Bakery
Year 6	Assorted fun and games for all ages to enjoy!



We would also be grateful for donations of:

- cakes for our refreshments,
- wild flowers for pressing and
- any books in good condition for the book stall.

All funds raised will help us to further develop our wildlife and pond areas, so that all pupils can enjoy these facilities all year round!



Helping to prevent infection

As you know, we encourage children to wash their hands after using the toilets, and before eating to help stop the spread of infections. In addition to this, we have also now introduced hand sanitiser in a dispenser in the entrance foyer. Please can all visitors to the school use this before entering the building, to help prevent the spread of infection to children, staff and visitors.



Unattended Children

It has come to our attention that children are arriving either at school, or at the Reading Rooms unaccompanied very early in the morning. Some are there from 8.15 am, which is half an hour before the school gates open. We are concerned that if anything happens to these children, parents would possibly not be aware until the end of the school day, that their children have not arrived safely in school.



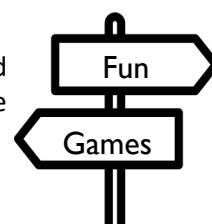
Want to join the team?

Vacancies in School

We are currently seeking 3 lunchtime supervisors to join our friendly team in September. If you, or anyone you know, is interested you can find out more information, and an application form, by clicking [HERE](#).

Signposted Activities

This week we have added the Barrowby Pre-School Fun Day on Saturday June 24th and 'Lighthouse' on Thursday 22nd June. For more information on these and other activities, please see our [website](#).



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Families Service This Sunday, 18 June 2017

We start at 9.30am with refreshments.

There are no books or service sheets - everything is projected onto a screen. Everyone is welcome!

This is a very informal and relaxed service, suitable for all ages including the very young – our puppet team help to lead the worship.

▶ We hope you will join us. From everyone at Barrowby Church