

DIARY DATES

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

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

Friday 14th October

Bookfair open until 3.45pm



Wednesday 19th October

Individual School Photos



Wednesday
19th October
Parent/Teacher
Consultations

Friday 21st October

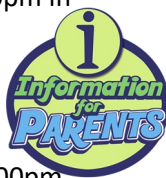
School Closes for half term.

Tuesday 1st November

School Re-opens

Thursday 3 November

11+ Information Evening for parents of children in Year 5. 5.00pm in school.



Tuesday 8 November

Curriculum Meeting for Reception Parents 2..00pm.



Friday 18 November
Year 4 visit to
'World Diversity Day'

Wednesday 30 November

Key Stage 2 Disco
3.30-5.00pm



Friday 2 December

Reception Christmas Assembly 9.30am
Reception parents will be able to book tickets through ParentmailPMX nearer the time.



FoBs Meeting 11th November at
2pm-all are welcome!



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

14th October 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

What another fun-filled and exciting week, we have all enjoyed here at school. It was lovely to see so many parents at our Parental Consultations and at our Book Fair, this week. I am always thankful for the continued support of our school community. This week, I am delighted to announce that our school has been awarded the Gold-School Games Mark; recognising and celebrating the quality and range of competitive and extra-curricular sport, available, at our school. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to read more about this piece of exciting school news! I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and learning more about school life, at Barrowby!

Mr L Batey Head teacher

School Events

Bookfair

Our Book Fair is open until 3.45pm today, which is the last day for parents to visit. So far, we have raised £364 in commission, to buy books for your children's class libraries. Thank you once again, for your support.

Netball

The High 5 Netball team made their first appearance at this year's High 5 Netball tournament. Over two evenings, they have played four schools and the results will determine which league the team will be entered into.

The team demonstrated courage, determination and team spirit; they persevered extremely well, giving their all to each and every game.



Their effort and attitudes were a credit to us, and as a team they demonstrated a sense of fair play and were good role models for others and a great asset to the school. Keep up the hard work in your training and we look forward to hearing how you get on in round two in the Spring Term 2017.

Year 6 Residential Visit to London

Year 6 Parents had the opportunity to hear about next year's proposed visit to London, at a recent information evening. If you were unable to attend, or would like to watch again, the video presentation from that meeting, it has been uploaded to our website, and can be found [here](#).



Attendance at school

After half term, we will be conducting one of our regular reviews of attendance. Attendance in our school is very high, averaging around 97% - thank you. To learn more about attendance at our school, please [CLICK HERE](#).

However, new government guidance means that any child whose attendance is below 90% can be regarded as a persistent absentee. If your child's attendance falls into this category, you will receive an advisory letter, to make sure that you are aware of this. If your child's absence is significantly below 90%, you may be invited into school to discuss ways in which we can help you to improve your child's attendance. Please also be aware that lateness has to be recorded as an absence in certain circumstances.

In order to request a term time absence please complete our 'Request for Absence Form' which can be found [HERE](#).

Colder weather is coming—a few reminders



Outdoor clothing

Please make sure children have appropriate outdoor clothing with them every day, including hats and gloves, if necessary. Children go outside to play except in wet or extreme weather.

Sickness

Please keep your child away from school for two full days if they have vomited or had diarrhoea, even if they seem well. This helps to prevent the spread of infectious illnesses in school, and ensures that children are fully well when they return to school.



Cars in Church Street

Colder weather makes it tempting to drive into Church Street at the beginning or end of the school day. Please don't—every car brought into Church street increases the risk of an accident to a child. A brisk walk to or from home, or safe parking at the British Legion is better for your health, and your child's, and helps to promote healthy habits. Please support us.

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Thank you to our parents who have attended consultations this week, on Tuesday or Thursday. We hope that you found the consultation useful. The second consultation is next Wednesday - we look forward to seeing many more of you then. If you haven't yet booked an appointment, please contact the school office.

FOBS AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended the recent AGM. You can find information and minutes from the meeting [here](#).

Staffing Vacancy

We would like to recruit an additional Middy Supervisor to join our lunchtime team. Details of the post are below, and you can find an application form [here](#).

Middy Supervisory Assistant (G2.3 £13871 pro rata) required to work 12.00-1.15pm (6.15 hours per week) Monday to Friday in term time. Duties include setting up and clearing away dining equipment, serving hot school meals, and supervising children whilst they are eating, and on the playground.

Barrowby school is fully committed to safeguarding children. Successful applicants will be subject to enhanced DBS clearance.

Application forms and further information can be downloaded from our website www.barrowby.lincs.sch.uk or obtained from the school office at Barrowby School, Church Street, Barrowby, Grantham Lincs. NG32 1BX Tel: 01476 566121. Closing date for applications Friday 21st October. Interviews will be held on Friday 4th November.

11+ Results

Good luck to our year 6 children that have sat the 11+ test in September and get their results this weekend.



Good Luck !



Photograph Day

On Wednesday 19th October, please remind your child to bring a comb/hairbrush, and make sure they are wearing their smartest uniform, including a sweatshirt or cardigan, so that they look their very best for their photographs.

Ideal School Meals

The menus for after half term are now available online to view and order your child's meals. Don't forget the order deadline is a Monday night for meals for the following week. Please click [here](#) to access.

Signposted Activities and Opportunities

We have added an Inspire+ half term camp to this area of the website. Click [here](#) for further information.

Barrowby pupils donate their hair to help others



Two of our pupils are donating their hair to be made into wigs for children who have lost their hair battling through cancer and other illnesses. They are also raising money for The Little Princess Trust, which supports children who have lost their hair by providing natural hair wigs—they have already raised over £600! Well done.

The big chop will take place on Saturday the 15th October, at 11am, at Barrowby Memorial Hall, where there will also be a coffee morning. Please go along if you would like to support them.

We are very proud of our pupils for their generosity.

Vision Aid Overseas Appeal

We are collecting old and unwanted glasses in support of the Vision Aid Overseas Appeal. Thank you to those of you who have already contributed. We have already had more than 60 pairs!



Vision Aid Overseas is an International charity that helps children and adults in Africa 'to see' so that they can learn, get an education and support their families. We have a collection box in the school office where you can donate any unwanted glasses, so please bring in any pairs that you no longer need.

Secondary School Open Days

We are happy to signpost open days for local Secondary Schools—you can find further information [here](#).



Free 'to a good home' Furniture!

We still have some children's chairs. If you are interested please contact Mrs Midgley to arrange collection.



Coming Soon!

Starting on **Thursday, 3 November**,
Barrowby Church
will be open from 2.45 to 3.45pm,
every Thursday afternoon in term time.

Instead of standing out in the cold,
pop in for a free cup of tea or coffee,
and a drink for the children.

Everyone welcome.

