

DIARY DATES

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

Friday 8th December

Year 5 & 6 Choir performance at WGHS Primary Choir Festival

Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Lunch



Thursday 14th December

Christmas Fair

Friday 15th December

The Nutcracker film showing— Reel Cinema

Monday 18th December

Christmas Party Day
Pantomime—Dick Whittington



Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Service
End of Autumn Term



Wednesday 3rd January

Start of Spring term



To see the latest Fobs minutes please click [here](#).

FoBS meeting:

Friday 19th January 2018 1.45 pm

All Welcome

Please click [HERE](#) for Easy Fundraising Link



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

8th December 2017

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Dear Parent/Carers

Well, here we are, where the school is filled with the sounds of Christmas song and cheer. It has been lovely to see so many of you this week, at our Year 1 and 2 Nativity performances—where our Key Stage 1 children shared the story of the 'Little Fir Tree' demonstrating once again, -we can all 'shine' at Barrowby CE Primary School. I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and catching up on school life. Happy reading!

Len Batey-Headteacher

Events in School

Year 5 and 6 Performance at St Wulfram's Church

On Friday 1st December, our Year 5 and 6 Choir travelled to St Wulfram's Church to entertain the crowds, at last week's Christmas Tree Festival. On arrival, Father Stuart revealed to the Choir that they would be broadcast 'live' on BBC Radio Lincolnshire; which was an unexpected thrill.



The children performed a range of traditional Christmas carols and songs, including: Silent Night, Away in a Manger and Jingle Bells, with musical accompaniment provided by William Gray and Isabella Taylor, on Clarinet and Mr Batey playing the 'jingle stick.'

Afterwards, the children enjoyed a very excitable ride on the 'Toboggan Slide' as a thank you from Father Stuart. A special thank you to Mrs Selby for working with our Year 5 and 6 Choir; to Mrs Kay for accompanying the children; to our Year 5 and 6 Choir for performing wonderfully at this event; to our parents for their continued support and to Father Stuart, for making us feel so welcome at the Christmas Tree Festival. Thank you.

School Nativity Scene

On Tuesday 5th December, four of our Reception children helped Mr Batey to set our school's Nativity Scene, at the front of the school.



They thoroughly enjoyed listening to the Nativity story and acting out some of the animal noises, which would have been heard in the stable, at this time. Now standing, at the front of our school: our Christmas Tree, from the St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival; our Advent ring (kindly donated by Mrs Waghorn) and now, our Nativity Scene, carefully constructed by members of our Reception classes.

A big thank you to everyone involved, helping to create a 'warm and welcoming' feel, at this festive time of the year. The entrance to our school looks beautiful!

Make your light shine, so that others will see the good that you do and will praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5: 16



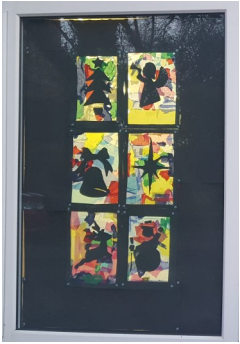
Aladdin Pantomime Performance

On Wednesday 6th December, our Year 5 children experienced a real Christmas treat, when they visited the Priory Ruskin Academy for their BTEC students performance of 'Aladdin.'



Upon arrival, the children were split into 3 groups, each then experienced 'first hand' the performing arts elements of dance, acting and singing, through a series of interactive workshops. These were led by the BTEC students. The children thoroughly enjoyed this and it really opened their eyes to the performing arts.

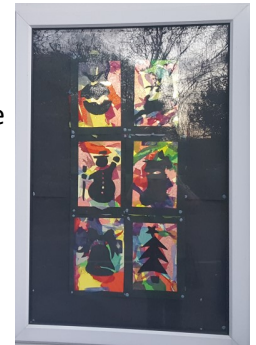
After refreshments, they then watched in awe, the Aladdin Pantomime. What a fabulous afternoon! It was lovely to see three of our ex-students performing in the main roles. Thank you to the Priory Ruskin Academy for inviting our children; to Mrs Selby, Mrs Kay and Mrs Midgley for accompanying the children and to our Year 5 class, for demonstrating again what makes our school so special.



Our Christmas Window

This term, our year 1 and 2 children, that attended the Christmas Craft club, all made a stained glass windows for use within the 'Barrowby Village Advent Calendar,' which was lit on Thursday 7th December, for all to see.

Each day in December a different window in the village is lit up. Please see later in our newsletter for the timetable. I hope you all enjoy seeing the different windows with your family.



Year 1 and 2 Nativity

On Thursday 7th and Friday 8th December, our Key Stage 1 children performed their very own production of 'The Little Fir Tree'. They told the story beautifully; wowing the audiences with their enthusiastic singing and expressive dancing. Everyone left with big smiles' on their faces and the spirit of Christmas in their hearts.

*There are different ways to serve the same Lord, and we can each do different things.
Yet the same God works in all of us and helps us in everything we do.*
1 Corinthians 12: 5-6

The underlying message of this story is that however small and unimportant we may feel, each one of us has something special to contribute to this world. As the last song says 'for each one of us there is a reason, everybody has something to give'.

We were joined, on Friday morning, by parents, Governors and even the Deputy Mayor, who commented, "...what a wonderful performance...." Our Bishop's visitor, Kate Waghorn, also commented:

"Thank you to the children, and staff for the lovely Christmas performances. They are always a great start to the Christmas season, and remind us that the little child born in Bethlehem is at the very heart of Christmas. The excitement and joy was so evident in the children's faces - an antidote to all the 'busyness' of this time of year. Well done everyone!"



Once again a big thank you to all parents who provided wonderful costumes; to the Friends of Barrowby School for giving their time freely to help organise the raffle, refreshments and the selling of children's photographs; the children for demonstrating a 'can do' attitude where they all 'shone like stars' and to the team of staff who continue to support our pupils, as they 'strive for excellence.' Thank you, one and all.

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School Meals

The menus for Term 3, Week 1 are now 'live' and available online. Due to the way the bank holidays fall over Christmas, Ideal have had to bring forward the deadline for ordering meals for week 1.



The deadline for ordering meals for week 1 is now Midnight **Monday 18th December 2017**.

From now, parents can go the Ideal website and are able to order their child/ren(s) meals for the 1st week back.

Easy Fundraising



Don't forget to help raise funds for the school, while you are Christmas shopping online at lots of top retailers including Marks and Spencer, John Lewis, Argos, Debenhams, Ebay, Currys and many others. Please use this [link](#) to start shopping and help raise valuable funds for the school. So far this initiative has raised £19.43 for the school-at no additional cost to parents! Well done!

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair is fast approaching-Thursday 14th December from 5.00—7.00 pm.

There is an array of stalls, including class stalls, selling items made by the children. There are also refreshments and entertainment from the children, including: instrumentalists and carol singing for all, to get us into the festive spirit. Entry is only £1.00 per person with under 5's being free. Why not come along, the more the merrier! All funds raised contribute towards this years-Year 6 Legacy Gift.



Staff Changes

Earlier this term, I informed our parents that both our Year 5 teachers, would be leaving us, after Christmas: Mrs Wright to start her maternity leave, as she is expecting her second baby and Mrs Silby, who is moving to Claypole Church of England Primary School.

I also informed parents that I would be actively seeking to recruit an 'excellent teacher' to join our staff, so that all our pupils continue to be supported as they 'strive for excellence' and try to achieve their individual potential.

After a very long and challenging process, I can now reveal the school staffing structure, starting January 2018.

Reception/Year 1	Mrs Banfield	Year 3	Miss Fulcher and Mrs Goodband
Reception/Year 1	Mrs Selby	Year 3	Mrs Webster
Year 1/2	Mrs Tinkley and Mr Liversidge	Year 4	Miss Lees
Year 1/2	Miss Sugden	Year 5	Miss Swatton
		Year 6	Miss Welton

I am delighted to welcome Mr Liversidge to our school team. He has been working with us, this term, while Miss Sugden has been absent. In January, he will be joining Mrs Tinkley in Year 1/2. This will enable Miss Fulcher to move to Year 3 and work alongside Mrs Goodband so that Miss Swatton can take on the responsibility for our Year 5 class. After much deliberation, I have also decided that I will continue to teach in Year 5, as in previous years, supporting those children who wish to sit the 11+ examination in September/October 2018, rather than offering this as an after-school club.

I appreciate that for some, a change of class teacher, mid-year is a surprise. However, please let me reassure you, this decision has not been taken lightly. I firmly believe, that the re-deployment of existing school staff will enable all our children to continue to thrive, at our school. As always, I thank you for your understanding and support, during this transition period.

A Message from Mr Batey





Barrowby CE Primary School Christmas Fair 2017

Thursday 14th December 2017



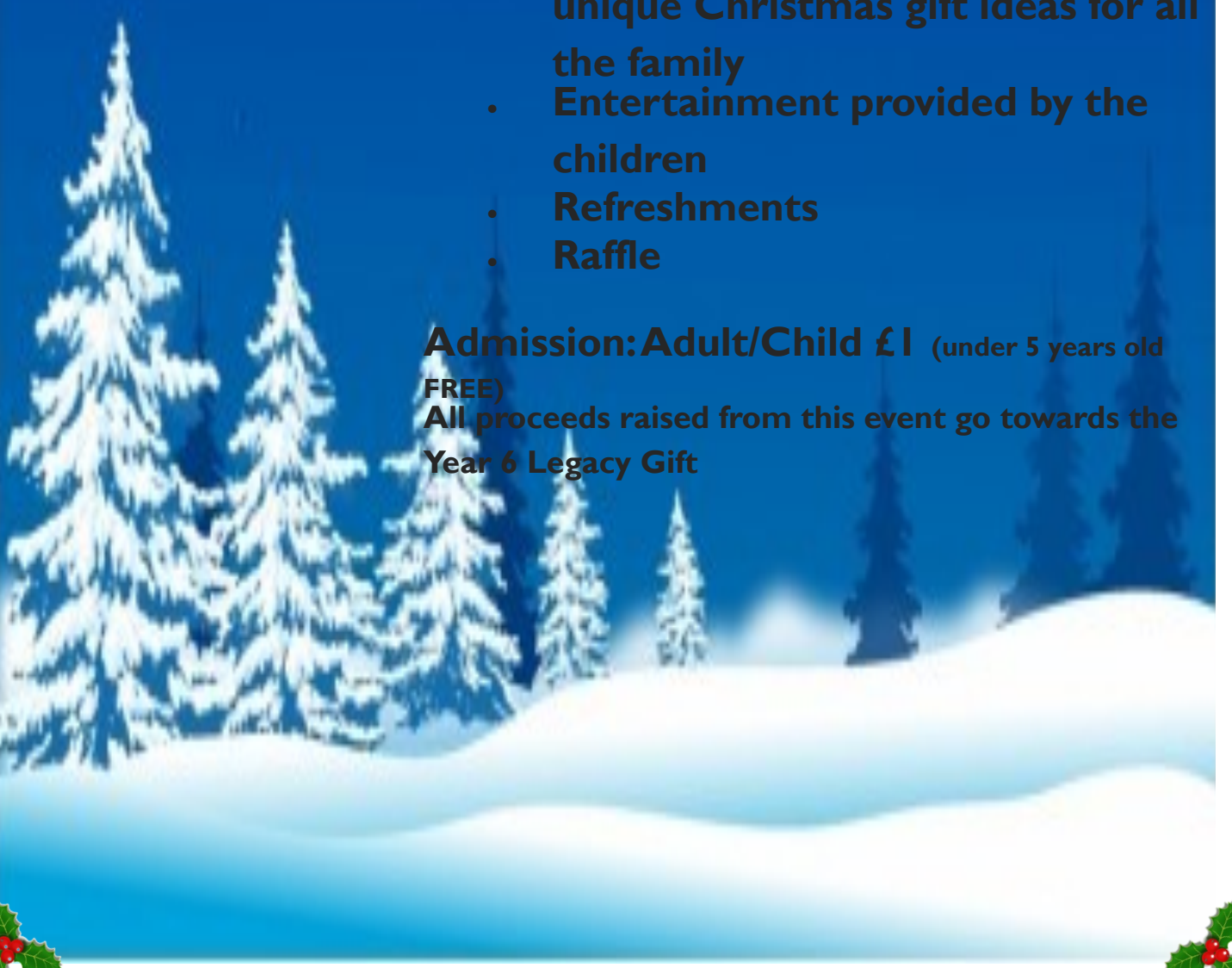
5.00 -7.00 pm School Hall

Come and join us for a lovely festive evening including:

- **A range of stalls with lots of unique Christmas gift ideas for all the family**
- **Entertainment provided by the children**
- **Refreshments**
- **Raffle**

Admission: Adult/Child £1 (under 5 years old FREE)

All proceeds raised from this event go towards the Year 6 Legacy Gift



All Saints' Church Barrowby

VILLAGE ADVENT CALENDAR

Village houses and businesses are decorating a window on an Advent theme, starting on 1 December. A new window will be revealed from 4.00pm – 8.00pm most evenings until Christmas Eve, when all the windows will be illuminated, and there will be refreshments in church (5pm – 7pm).

See below for dates, addresses and themes.



1 December	The Cake Hole	Winter Wonderland
2 December	The Post Office	Joy to the World
3 December	10, The Northings	While Shepherds Watched (Luke 2:8)
4 December	Fourways, Main Street	Christmas Past, Christmas Present
5 December	Skinner's Butchers (Designed by Barrowby Pre-School)	Toys From The Past
6 December	The Old Bakery Casthorpe Road	"A Spaceman Came Travelling..."
7 December	School, Church Street	A Year 2 Craft Club Christmas (Illuminated from 3pm-6pm on 7 Dec only)
8 December	Holly House, High Road	It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas
9 December	43, High Road	The Night before Christmas
10 December	Hedgefield House, Low Road	Christmas Past
11 December	13, The Northings	Merry Christmas!
12 December	Highlands, Lawson Leas	A Christmas Village
13 December	22, Pastures Road and 30, Debdale Road	Guiding Star "Narnia"
14 December	21, High Road	Peace on Earth
15 December	Redlands, Low Road	Coming Home for Christmas (Please walk up the drive to view)
16 December	Church Street	Children's Christmas Crafts
17 December	The White Swan	A White Swan Christmas
18 December	31, Hedgefield Road	When BC became AD
19 December	13, Leys Close	The Baby in a Manger Lay
20 December	Tamaral, Low Road	Starry Night
21 December	51, Hurst Crescent	The Flight into Egypt
22 December	Stone Cottage, Church Street	Christmas Past
23 December	6, Church Street	Light The Way (Best viewed from The Posts)
24 December	Church open 5.00pm-7.00pm for refreshments and Christmas music	

*I am giving you a new command. You must love each other,
just as I have loved you.*

John 13:34-35



Viral Cough (Bronchiolitis)

There has been an increase in the number of young children with coughs and respiratory illness attending GP practices and A&E departments in Lincolnshire.

Bronchiolitis is a common viral chest infection that affects babies and young children during the winter months. Most cases are mild and clear up in two to three weeks without the need for treatment.

It usually starts just like the common cold with a **runny nose and a cough**. Other symptoms are a **fever, rapid and noisy (wheezy) breathing and poor feeding** may develop a few days later. Most children can be cared for at home in the same way that you would treat a cold.

To reduce your child's risk of catching it and help prevent the virus spreading, you should:

- wash your hands and your child's hands frequently
- wash or wipe toys and surfaces regularly
- keep infected children at home until their symptoms have improved
- keep newborn babies away from people with colds or flu
- prevent your child being exposed to tobacco smoke

To ease symptoms:

- Make sure your child gets enough fluids to avoid dehydration.
- You can give infants paracetamol and ibuprofen to bring down their temperature if the fever is upsetting them.

Contact your GP or NHS111 if your child

- is under 12 weeks old
- has a congenital (present from birth) heart or lung condition
- is struggling to breathe
- is feeding/eating poorly
- has not had a wet nappy for 12 hours or more
- has a high temperature (38°C/100.4°F or above)
- they seem very tired or irritable

For more information visit: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/bronchiolitis/>

Call your GP or NHS111 if you are concerned or need advice

