

DIARY DATES

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

Wednesday 6th December

Year 5—Aladdin Pantomime at Priory Ruskin Academy

Thursday 7th December

Key Stage 1 Nativity—2.00 pm



Friday 8th December

Key Stage 1 Nativity—9.30 am

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



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FoBS meeting:

Friday 19th January 2018 1.45 pm

All Welcome

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Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

1st December 2017

Prepare the way for the Lord make straight paths for him.

Matthew 3:3

Dear Parent/Carers

The 1st December, who can believe it—the Advent season begins today. As we begin to prepare for Christmas, the children are filled with excitement and enthusiasm: our Christmas Tree has arrived; our Year 1 and 2 children prepare for their Christmas performances and our Key Stage 2 children ready themselves for performances at St Wulfram's, Walton Girl's High School as well as our very own Christmas Fair. It was lovely to see our Reception families, at the Reception Christmas Assembly, today. Whether this is your first or last Christmas with us, I hope you enjoy reading about life at our school, this week. Happy reading.

Len Batey-Headteacher

Events in School

Advent-Bishop of Lincoln's Christmas Message



Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas and begins this week. In Collective Worship, we lit the 1st candle, on our Advent wreath—where we remembered the Prophets who foretold the coming of the son of God and read the annual Christmas message. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to read the annual Christmas letter from the Bishop of Lincoln. Thank you to Mrs Waghorn our Bishop's Visitor for providing the school with this year's Advent Wreath.

St Wulfram's Tree Festival

On Monday 27th November, Mr Batey and Mrs Holmes enjoyed decorating and placing our school's Christmas Tree, in St Wulfram's Church, as part of the Christmas Tree Festival. Barrowby CE Primary School are once again delighted to be taking part in this diverse and exciting festival again, this year.

St Wulfram's Church has been transformed into a 'winter wonderland.' This festival offers a unique opportunity for everyone to come together and celebrate all that is wonderful in our local community at this special time of year. It really is a fantastic sight to behold, with the church adorned in Christmas Trees lit up in all their glory. If you are planning a visit to the tree festival, why not see if you can find our school tree, decorated in the school colours with hints of Barrowby School Life. Happy hunting!



Festive Spirit-Christmas Tree Donation



When Mr Handley, a Governor and parent at our school, offered to donate a Christmas Tree for our school hall, we had no idea just how 'generous' he was being.

So, on Monday evening, when the tree was delivered we were all amazed with what we saw. This year, we must have the biggest Christmas Tree we have ever had. It was so big when it arrived, at school, that Mr Warner and Mr Batey had to trim it down, to get it into the hall! Wow.

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

Christmas Tree

This week, children from across our school have helped Mr Batey to decorate the tree and I think you will agree, it looks beautiful; standing proudly in our school hall, at this very special time of the year. Thank you to Mr Handley for this very kind donation, it really has helped to get us all 'in the festive mood.'



Key Stage 2 Christmas Disco



On Wednesday 29th December, our Key Stage 2 Children enjoyed the annual Disco, marking the beginning of the Christmas period. The children enjoyed singing and dancing along to the 'hits of today' with our very own 'Disco Man', Mr Poole. Throughout the evening, they enjoyed light refreshments, provided by FOBs with the disco ending with the traditional YMCA-performed by all the children, staff and even Mr Batey-what a way to end the evening!

Afterwards, the children's entry tickets were placed in to the prize raffle draw, with many children winning prizes. A big thank you to all our staff who stayed and supported the children; to our parents for their continued support and generosity; to the Friend's Of Barrowby School for their continued contribution to all aspects of our school life; to Mr Poole, our very own 'Disco Man' and to our children, for demonstrating again, what makes Barrowby such a wonderful school.

Swimming Team Trials

Following on from last week's exciting news about our pupils success in Grantham Swimming Club, we are pleased to tell you about this year's Swimming Gala which will take place on Thursday 25th January 2018, at the Meres Leisure Centre.

Mrs. Webster is currently in the process of trialling and selecting the team so that training and practice can begin before the big day. Last week, we saw our Year 3 children attend the trials and yesterday, selected children from Years 4 and 5 had their opportunity. Next week, selected Year 6 pupils will also have their opportunity to become members of this year's Swim Team.



By the end of this term, we will have selected our school's Swim Team who will compete, after Christmas. Parents will be notified, via ParentMailPMX, of further Team training sessions, after the selection process.

For the past 3 years, Barrowby CE Primary School have achieved first place in this annual competition-could we make it four? A big thank you to Mrs Webster and Mrs Morris who have supported, guided and trained this year's team; a huge thank you to all the children who have participated in the trials and to our parents for their ongoing support.

Reception Christmas Assembly

In the corner of the hall there is a beautiful, twinkling Christmas tree, a real stunner! However, on Friday 1st December, all eyes were on the brightest lights shining on the stage.



These lights were each and every Reception child singing their two Christmas songs for their parents and carers. They could not have made us more proud! Their smiling faces, confident singing and wonderful costumes made Friday morning a joy! How lucky we are to have such wonderful, hardworking children. Well done to you all, it's official...Christmas has begun! Let the festivities commence!

Afterwards, parents and family members enjoyed refreshments, purchased photographs of their children as well as entered the prize draw raffle, provided by Friends Of Barrowby School. It was lovely to see so many parents there. Once again, thank you for your continued support, so that all our children can 'shine like stars.'

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

Matthew 5: 16

Christmas Cobwebs

What was the unusual shape in the two Reception and Year One classes? The children had fun guessing and then bravely peeled back the fabric to discover a fir tree was underneath! But wait, something unusual was hanging down...a spider with a note! It was from SANTA!



He had left the children a story from Poland all about Christmas cobwebs and how Santa used his magic to transform the cobwebs into tinsel! This was the beginning of people putting tinsel on their Christmas trees! Wow! The children were so inspired by the story they had fun describing the finished Christmas tree using the letter sounds we have been learning. We used our artistic skills to make our own trees and even wrote some very creative sentences. It was a fun filled morning and you never guess what...the spider on our tree must have been very busy making webs all over our fir trees because when we came inside after lunch our trees were glistening with tinsel! What a magical moment!

Rotary Club Christmas Card Competition

Earlier this term, all children in the school produced a Christmas Card for the Rotary Club Christmas Card Competition. These were judged and the winning entries for our school were produced by Roxy Moses, Isabella Taylor and Sofia Daniele. Well done to everyone there were lots of lovely designs and the judge found the task of shortlisting very difficult. Below are the winning designs, well done everyone!



Key Stage 1 Nativity

Tickets for next weeks' Key Stage 1 Nativity—The Little Fir Tree—have been sent home today with your child. Please check their book bag. We are very much looking forward to sharing these performances with you.



Once again, we are asking for donations of mince pies, for these performances, for FoBS to provide refreshments. In anticipation, thank you once again for your kind support. All monies raised this year will support the development of our school grounds.

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you!

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

John 13:34-35

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

