

DIARY DATES

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

Wednesday 29th November

KS2 Disco until 5.15 pm



Friday 1st December

Reception Christmas Assembly



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

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



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

24th November 2017

The people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow a light has dawned.

Matthew 4: 16

Dear Parent/Carers

Well, here we are in full swing-enjoying all that our school has to offer. As we approach Christmas we begin to think about all that is important to us. For some of you, this is your 1st Christmas at our school and for others, it is your last. As you read this week's newsletter, let us be thankful for the vast range of opportunities available to our pupils to enjoy, at our school. Happy reading!

Len Batey-Headteacher

Events in School

Nutcracker Dance Club.

The Nutcracker Dance club have been taking part in a ten week programme that has been created to give Key Stage 2 pupils, an introduction to dance. With strong curriculum links, the programme aims to give children a better understanding of dance, build their physical skill and unlock imagination and creativity.



With the support of Mrs Banfield, the club have worked co-operatively, developed their thinking skills and appraisal and improvement skills and have choreographed a dance entitled: 'Travel through Time and Space.'

Imagine this...three children begin star gazing upon a hillside gasping at the stars whizzing across the sky. Time begins to fly and the star gazers have been inspired to become astronauts. The astronauts set their rocket to go and...blast off! The rocket takes flight and the astronauts orbit our solar system. The dance ends with them landing on the moon, walking slowly across the surface and marking their accomplishment with a Barrowby C or E Primary School flag.

Well done to all the children, they have worked very hard and achieved an outstanding dance. The final filming of their finished performance has been sent off to the Royal Opera House Create and Dance judges. We will wait with baited breath to hear the final results. Schools from across Grantham, North Devon, Swale and Medway, Thurrock, Boston, Hull, Scunthorpe, Teeside and Northumberland have been invited to take part in the competition so we know there will be tough competition.

A special thank you to Walton Girls' High School who allowed us to film our performance in their spacious theatre; to Mr Banfield for helping to film and record our pupil's performance; to Mrs Rowlands for supporting the children, through filming and to Mrs Banfield for choreographing this wonderful dance and for working with the children over the past weeks. Thank you.

Regardless of the final result, Mrs Banfield and the dancers have been invited to a special screening of the Nutcracker, performed at the Royal Opera House, in December which is shown at a local cinema. Again, huge congratulations to you all and enjoy your special morning out! Well done everyone!

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

Matthew 5: 16

A Special Visitor

On Friday 24th November, Barrowby CE Primary School welcomed back Inspire+ Ambassador Ben Smith. You may recall Ben visited our school last year, when he spoke to the children about his 401 Marathon Challenge and raising awareness for anti-bullying charities. This year, Ben talked to the children, in assembly about 'trying your best' no matter the obstacles and told the children about his upcoming challenge, which is scheduled for 2019. He spoke passionately about the new challenge and how he will be expected to run 80 miles a day, across America! Wow. We would like to thank Ben for coming in and look forward to seeing him next year, when he will share the plans for his new challenge and more importantly describe ways in which our pupils can get involved. Yeah!

Key Stage 2 Disco

Tickets for the Key Stage 2 disco have been on sale in school since Wednesday. They are priced at £3.00 each and will be on sale until the day of the disco, Wednesday 29th November. Please note the slightly later finish time of 5.15pm.

The ticket price includes: disco, food and drink (provided by FoBS) and also entry into the prize raffle. Let's get dancing!



Reception Christmas Assembly

It is a very exciting time of year at Barrowby CE Primary School with our reception class enjoying their first Christmas, as part of our school community. Their Christmas Assembly will take place, in school, on Friday 1st December at 9.30am.



Demand for tickets is always very high; however, we hope to be able to offer you two tickets per family for the performance. The deadline for applying for tickets is Monday 27th November at 10.00am. Tickets will be sent home in children's book bags on Tuesday 28th November.

There will be refreshments and a raffle after the assembly, and we will also be selling photographs. As in past years, we would be very grateful for donations of raffle prizes, and cakes/mince pies. Please could these be sent to school by Monday 27th November.

Christmas Fair

Our bi-annual Christmas Fair is fast approaching and scheduled for Thursday 14th December, from 5.00—7.00 pm. We are now fully booked for stalls with lots of unique gift ideas including handmade jewellery, candles, fairy and Christmas gifts, Body Shop items plus many more.

Each class also has a stall at the fair, and the children are busy making their items to sell; everything from homemade Ginger Bread to 'Magical Reindeer Food.' There will be refreshments served by FoBS, as well as entertainment provided by the children, festive games organised by the Fundraising Committee and a super Christmas raffle with a whole host of prizes.

Our Year 6 children will also be helping at the event and will be selling hot chocolate and home made mince pies, made with the help of our very own Paul Hollywood, Mr Gadd!

Entry into the Christmas Fair is £1 per person, with under 5s being free. All proceeds raised will go to the Year 6 Legacy gift.



Last time we did this event it was a roaring success and we look forward to seeing you all there enjoying the entertainment, refreshments and 'last minute Christmas shopping.'

*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

WE PUT THE FUN IN FUNDRAISING

Fundraising Committee

This year's fundraising committee consists of six children from Year 6. This year they are Zoe Black, Bradley Ward, Oliver King, Edward Bellamy, Kyla Underwood and Verity Durham. Their role is to organise and support all of the fundraising events in school with the support of Mrs Kay and Mrs Midgley.

This year they are off to a flying start as they have already raised £397.67 for the Poppy Appeal and £371.57 for Children in Need. They are now working with Mrs Kay, Mrs Midgley and Mr Batey to ensure this year's Christmas Fair is a real success. Well done to them and keep up the good work. Maybe this year will be our best fundraising year ever! Watch this space.

Barrowby Swimmers

We are very fortunate to have lots of children at Barrowby CE Primary School who swim for Grantham Swim Club.

On the Swim Club's latest newsletter there were special mentions for Ava Reed, Alex Theobald and Oliver Bailey. Ava was mentioned as an example of how you can achieve things if you are truly determined. She swam 100 metres breaststroke 11 seconds faster than her time in June, achieving the 9th fastest time in the County. Alex also swam an impressive breaststroke and bettered his old time by 18 seconds. Oliver was mentioned for moving up to 4th place in the County rankings at 100 metres breaststroke.



Well done to them all for pushing themselves, 'striving for excellence' in all that they do. Keep up the good work.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Extra-Curricular Activities

Please note that there will be **no clubs after school next Wednesday 29th November** due to the Key Stage 2 disco being in school.

All extra-curricular clubs finish next week. You will receive a new list in January for the Spring Extra-curricular activities.

Christmas Tree Festival at St Wulframs Church

St Wulfram's Church are holding their second Christmas Tree Festival, next week.

This tremendously successful event will take place from Wednesday 27th November until Wednesday 3rd December 2017. This is a huge celebration, with Christmas trees from the local community, schools and businesses.

We are extremely excited to be involved in this wonderful festival again. Barrowby CE Primary School's Christmas Tree will be one of over 100 Christmas trees available to view at the festival, throughout next week.

On Friday 1st December, our Year 5 and Year 6 School Choir will be attending the festival to sing from 1.30pm – 2.00pm. Why not come down and join us if you can? It would be lovely to see you there.

On Friday 8th December, our Year 5 and 6 Choir are also singing at the annual Choir Festival at Walton Girl's High School.

Ahh, it's that time of year already.



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

John 13:34-35

Black Friday

As you know today is black Friday and there are lots of online bargains to be had. Don't forget that you can raise valuable funds for the school by doing your shopping through our Easy Fundraising Link. If you are shopping at Marks and Spencers, John Lewis, Argos, Debenhams, Ebay, Currys or many others then please use this [link](#) to start shopping and raising money for the school.



Move over Black Friday! Here comes #GiveBackFriday

Signposted Events



**THE KING'S SCHOOL
GRANTHAM**

**TOY
BANK**

After the overwhelming support last year, The King's School Toy Bank is back to provide presents to the less fortunate children in our community. If you are in need, all you need to do is bring proof of child benefit, and you can collect your toys completely free of charge! No judgement, no financial assessment. If you need help, we can help!

Open

- Wednesday 6th December (13:00 - 16:30)
- Saturday 9th December (10:00 - 14:00)
- Wednesday 13th December (13:00 - 16:30)
- Saturday 16th December (10:00 - 14:00)
- Monday 18th December (09:30 - 18:00)
- Tuesday 19th December (09:30 - 18:00)
- Wednesday 20th December (09.30 - 12:30)

1 Watergate, Grantham, NG31 6NS

For more information contact Nathan.Wholes@kings.lincs.sch.uk or ring 01476 563180

"The King's School working with the local community to ensure every child has a smile this Christmas."

Donations are welcome at the following locations:

The King's School
Weekday only drop off times
8.30 - 9.00am & 11.15-11.30am
and Ancaster Co-op

 [TheKingsSchoolGranthamToyBank](#)


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Stamps may be purchased
and cards posted at the
following shops:

Coversure Insurance, Conduit Lane (opp. Café)
Grantham Library, Isaac Newton Centre
The Melton Building Society, 43 High Street
G Skinner & Sons, Butchers, Barrowby
McColl's, 173-175 New Beacon Road
Day-Today News, Rushcliffe Road
Barrowby Gate Pharmacy, 176 Winchester Road
Gonerby Club, High Street, Great Gonerby
Cards for Good Causes, George Centre
John Beaty Motors, Castlegate

First Collection: Wednesday 29 November

Last Collection: Wednesday 13 December

