

## DIARY DATES

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

**Tuesday 31st October**

First day of term



**Thursday 2nd November**

Boys' Football Tournament

**Monday 6th November**

Open Library 3.30 pm

**Wednesday 8th November**

Parent Consultations



**Thursday 9th November**

Y5 & 6 Girls Football Tournament

**Tuesday 14th November**

Parent Consultations

**Wednesday 29th November**

KS2 Disco

**Friday 1st December**

Reception Christmas Assembly



**Thursday 7th December**

Key Stage 1 Nativity—2.00 pm



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

FoBS meeting Friday 17th November 2017 1.45 pm  
All Welcome



# Barrowby Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter

## 20th October 2017

*Do not be anxious about anything, but by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*

*Philippians 4:6,7*

Dear Parent/Carers

Well, here we are—the end of the first term. Can you believe how quickly this term has gone? I can't quite believe how quickly the time goes, at Barrowby CE Primary School. I hope you enjoy your holiday and look forward to seeing you all, as we get ready for Christmas! Happy reading.

Len Batey-Headteacher

### Events in School

#### Bulb Planting

On Monday 16th October, Mr Batey took the Reception children outside to plant their very own daffodil bulb. Under his guidance they dug a hole, put the daffodil bulb into the ground, covered it with soil and watered it. Now all they have to do is wait for Spring and watch the daffodils sprout and come to life. What a journey each little bulb will have! Similar, perhaps to the journey that the Reception children will have during their time here at Barrowby Church of England Primary School. We can't wait to see them bloom and grow together. Well done everyone!



#### Bisi Badminton

On Wednesday 18th October, a group of children from Key Stage Two joined Mrs Webster at Kesteven and Grantham Girls' School to participate in the BISI Badminton Festival. Throughout the evening, the children took part in a number of fun games, culminating in a badminton rally at the end. It was amazing to see how quickly the children improved their skills and it was an absolute joy to see them working together and having fun. Well done!



#### Swimming Championships

On Thursday 19th October, our Year 6 children enjoyed the annual Year 6 Swimming Championships which signals the end of their swimming lessons. The children enjoyed competing in their Houses, taking part in a range of fun water based activities. The results are:

<b>1st Place</b>	Chichester	70 points
<b>2nd Place</b>	Scott	50 points
<b>3rd Place</b>	Armstrong	30 points



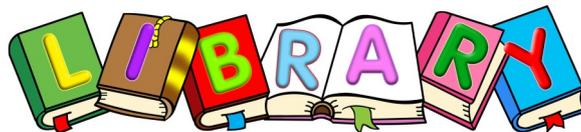
Well done to all the children who took part and an especially 'big congratulations' to all our Year 6 pupils for completing their swimming lessons. We are delighted to announce that all our Year 6 children can now swim at least 25 metres which is the government expectation. Well done everyone!

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

*Matthew 5: 16*

## Open Library

Our School Librarians have been busy organising the library since September and it is now ready for you to visit. They will be opening the library to all, after half term, on every even dated Monday such as Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November and so on. You are all welcome to come along and browse, enjoy and take home a book of your choice. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 3:30pm onwards- see you then.



## Year 4 Class Assembly

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, our Year 4 children performed their 'Rotten Roman' themed class assembly for their parents and the rest of the school. They shared a whole range of interesting facts that they have learned about the Roman army and the Roman way of life. They performed enthusiastically: combining drama, singing and movement to great effect, when sharing the story of 'Romulus and Remus' and even replicated the voyage of the Roman army, travelling on a ship while singing 'How far I'll go' from Moani. It was a truly wonderful way to end this very busy term. Well done children!

## Easy Fundraising

The Friends of Barrowby School have set up an **easyfundraising** link. FoBS are a non profit making Charity made up of School parents raising funds to support the School in raising additional monies for various projects to help make learning/environment an even better place to learn and have fun in.



By joining **easyfundraising** you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online. It won't cost you a penny extra so please help us to raise funds. When you shop the **easyfundraising** way with one of the 3,241 shops and sites; they give us a commission for your purchase. That is turned into a donation to FoBS. By booking an average family holiday through this site you can boost funds for the school by £40! It is as easy as that!

The link to help boost our fundraising can be found by clicking [HERE](#). Thank you for your continued support.

## Grantham Foodbank

We have recently received a thankyou from Brian Hanbury, at Grantham Foodbank for our harvest donations. They received 186Kg of food from our school. This will help them to deliver over 200 meals to families in need.



*'Your donations will help us restore dignity and put smiles on local children's faces. This will work alongside our program that provides emergency food when people find themselves at their point of crisis. A massive thank you. We really appreciate all of the effort.'*

## The Good Samaritan

What would you do if you found a £10 note? This week, one of our Year 4 pupils found themselves in that exact position and has greatly impressed the staff and Mr Batey with his generosity and kindness.

After finding a £10 note on the street, rather than spending this on himself he decided to donate this to the charity Cancer Research UK to help those less fortunate than himself. He received a lovely letter from them thanking him for his donation and explaining the work the charity do. They also wrote: *'Thanks for being a big supporter and for just being you.'* A random act of kindness costs nothing-but means so much; what would you do?

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

*John 13:34-35*

## Reminders for Parents

- **Uniform**—Could I just remind you that when we return from half term, children must be in winter uniform—no shorts, summer dresses or ankle socks please. Girls should wear either knee length white socks or mid grey tights. Please also make sure that your child has suitable outdoor wear with them every day—a shower proof coat, and hat and gloves, if they need them as the weather gets colder. Children go outside unless the weather is very poor. Also please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times. Key Stage 2 children should also have their outdoor PE kit in school.
- **Hair styles**—All shoulder length or longer hair should be tied back behind the head. Short hair should be smartly trimmed (i.e. no 'extreme hairstyles,' shaved, patterns, spiking etc.). The definition of what constitutes an 'extreme hairstyle' is at the discretion of the Headteacher.
- **Earrings**—No earrings including clear plastic earrings are allowed in school. This is for health and safety reasons. Children will be asked to remove them if they are wearing them in school.



## Extra-Curricular Clubs

The following clubs finish this week and will **not** be on after half term:

Discovering Autumn, Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby, Year 4 Basketball and Boys Football.

The following clubs commence after half term:

Christmas Craft Club, Tag Rugby Years 5 & 6, Origami, Strictly Dance Club, Music and Movement, Boxercise, Year 3 Basketball, Orchestra and Advanced Recorders.

An email has been sent on Thursday for the children allocated a place on the Boxercise club. This was very oversubscribed, so if you have not received an email then unfortunately your child has not been allocated a place but has been placed on the waiting list.



### The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

When we return to school after half term we will be selling poppies in school for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

As well as the paper poppies we have wristbands at 50p, Reflectors at 50p, Friendship Bracelets at £1.00 and Snap Bands at £1.00.

Please help us to raise valuable funds for this charity.

## Parent Teacher Consultations

We have our parent/teacher consultations coming up after half term. These are on Wednesday 8th and Tuesday 14th November.

These are booked through ParentmailPMX and **are available now for booking.**

Each appointment is for 10 minutes. If you are booking appointments for multiple children, then please leave a gap of at least 10-20 minutes between appointments to allow yourself time to get to the next appointment and look at your child's books before going in to see the teacher. This will also help to ensure that the appointments run on time. We look forward to seeing you then.



*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 Eco Bottle Greenhouse

As you know we are busy collecting 2 litre plastic bottles in school for our eco greenhouse.

So far we have collected:



Class	Number of Bottles
Mrs Banfield's Class	59
Mrs Selby's Class	96
Miss Fulcher and Mrs Tinkley's Class	99
Miss Sugden's Class	143
Mrs Webster's Class	241
Miss Swatton's Class	170
Year 4	120
Year 5	58
Year 6	105
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1091</b>



We are very fortunate that a parent in school has recommended us for this project, and the kit to construct our greenhouse is being funded by a local business—Duncan and Topliss.

We are working alongside The Rotary Club of Newark Castle and volunteers from Duncan & Topliss who will send volunteers into school to construct the greenhouse for us; once we have enough bottles and the kit has been purchased. This will take approximately 2 days.

Once completed the greenhouse will be a valuable asset to the school and we look forward to updating you on the progress of the plants that the children grow in it. We can't wait to build our own, Eco Greenhouse.

If you would like more information on this project then please click [HERE](#).

Thank you to everyone for their continued support: to Mrs Taylor for recommending our school for this project; to our parents, pupils and staff for collecting bottles and to Duncan and Topliss for funding the project cost.



### Tapestry

Last week we emailed our Reception parents the link to their child's tapestry account. Tapestry is about capturing the magic of a child's early years experience, and recording children's learning in a way that is easy and fun.



Mrs Selby and Mrs Banfield have been thrilled to see lots of comments from parents and that most parents have activated their accounts.

### Signposted Activities

We are always adding opportunities to our website for children to enjoy outside of school. Please click [HERE](#) to find out more information.



### Half Term

We hope you all have a lovely half term holiday and look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 31st October.

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*Barrowby Primary School  
Christmas Fair  
Thursday 14th December 2017  
5.00 -7.00 pm School Hall*

*Would you, or anyone  
you know, like a stall at  
our very popular bi-  
annual Christmas Fair?  
The cost is £10 per stall  
and a donation of a  
raffle prize.*

*Call now on 01476 566121  
and speak to  
Mrs Midgley  
to secure your place.*

