

DIARY DATES

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

Wednesday 28th November

Fobs KS2 Disco



Thursday 29th November

Walton Girls' Choir Festival

Friday 7th December

Reception Christmas Assembly

Thursday 13th December

2.00 pm Key Stage 1 Nativity



Friday 14th December

9.30 am Key Stage 1 Nativity

Wednesday 19th December

Christmas Party Day

Old King Cole Pantomime



Thursday 20th December

Last day of term



Governor Meetings

FRP Committee—Tuesday 27th
November 2018

FGB—Tuesday 12th March 2019



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

Next meeting:
30th November at 1.45pm

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Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 23rd November 2018

*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 Parents/Carers

This week I was asked, "is that your vision?" And I replied, "yes." Our school grounds developments are nearing completion and I am delighted with how the work has been developed. Of course, projects like this can only be achieved through collaboration and a sense of ownership.

The developments have included the installation of more equipment on the playing field to encourage our pupils to be more even more physically active. This includes the installation of leap frog posts; balance beams; stepping stones; hurdles and our super traverse poles. The positioning of the equipment will give the children the opportunity to use individual pieces or even to use the equipment as part of a large trim trail. Wow!



As part of the project we've also had bespoke wooden signs made for various features of our school grounds, such as the Pond, Story Circle, Cabbage Patch Garden, Wildflower Meadow, Garden area and our new Camp Fire—with our very own wooden signpost showing the way.



Our Wildflower Meadow, has been modified to include its very own 'Wildflower Bank' and 6 wooden logs to act as seats for children. This area of the school is set back from the playground and is nestled behind the adventure playground. Our gardening club have sown a mixture of wildflower seeds and our Reception children planted daffodil bulbs, earlier this term, creating interest,

all year round. I can't wait to see the first bulbs sprout in the Spring.

And of course, our very own cooking/camp fire area has now been created. This wonderful addition to our school grounds will give all our children the opportunity to 'get outdoors' and enjoy using our school grounds to the fullest. Teachers are already planning opportunities for each class of children to use the new camp fire, after Christmas.



These new additions to our school grounds are fabulous and I am really thankful to the team of people who have helped to develop these ideas. Firstly, our past Year 6 children who recognised that our school would benefit from a Wildflower Meadow (July 2014), Climbing Wall (July 2016) and Camp Fire (July 2017) as part of their Legacy Gifts. To last year's 'Working Party' for their time and commitment in developing the ideas. To our FOBs team for fundraising for 2 years to help to raise funds for our school grounds and of course the generosity of our parents.

I honestly believe, together we can make a real difference to the lives of our pupils....and our school grounds developments demonstrates that wonderfully.

Len Batey-Headteacher

Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

428

CHICHESTER

378

SCOTT

270

Year 3 Mandir Visit

On Thursday 22nd November, our Year 3 children visited Leicester as part of both their RE and Citizenship education. They began the day with a visit to one of Leicester's many Mandir's (Hindu Temples) where the children were able to see and develop their understanding of Murtis and Deities much closer. They were all very impressed by the wonderful colours and sights! As they left the Mandir the children, and staff, were gifted a piece of fruit from the Temple Priest.

In the afternoon, a great time was had exploring Leicester's Golden Mile where the children had the opportunity to visit an Indian food store, a Saree store and charity shop where the children purchased sarees, bracelets, Indian sweets, Bindi's and other gifts.

This was a wonderful cultural experience for our children and throughout the day it was very pleasing to hear the children's knowledge and understanding of the Hindu faith shining through. Well done everyone!



Tennis Sessions

Also on Thursday, our Year One and Two children enjoyed an afternoon of tennis practice with a coach from the Grantham Tennis Club. They worked in partners jogging on the spot and the first to get to the cone got the point. They also worked in partners to throw and catch sponge balls. One group worked with partners to throw the ball and their partner tried to hit the ball with the tennis racket.

At the end of the session they all played 'roly-bally' to the delight of the children who showed great team work! As a result of this fun session the children have been gifted a few free sessions at Grantham Tennis Club. Thank you coach Kane for such a fun session.

Reminders for Parents

This time of year is very busy in school and there are lots of exciting things happening. Below are a few reminders for parents:

- All **extra-curricular activities** finish at the end of next week 30th November.
- We have our **Key Stage 2 disco** on Wednesday 28th November until 5.00 pm. Tickets are on sale at lunchtimes at a cost of £3 each.
- We have our **Year 5 & 6 Choir** performing at the **Walton Girls' Primary Choir Festival** on Thursday 29th November. Children need to arrive at Walton Theatre at 5.00 pm and need collecting at 6.30 pm. Children should be in full formal uniform and smart black shoes (girls need to wear a mid grey skirt with tights please).
- We have our **Reception Christmas Assembly** on Friday 7th December at 9.30 am. Please ensure that you have submitted your ticket request via ParentmailPMX by the deadline of Friday 30th November at 10.00 am. Tickets will be sent home with children in their book bags on Monday 3rd December. Please can you also ensure that your child's costume is in school by Friday 30th November ready for the photographs and dress rehearsal.
- Our **Year 1 and 2 Nativity** takes place on Thursday 13th December at 2.00pm and Friday 14th December at 9.30am. Please make sure that you request your tickets by the deadline of Tuesday 4th December, tickets will be allocated on Friday 7th December and sent home with the children in their book bags. Please ensure that your child's costume is in school by Friday 7th December.
- On Wednesday 19th December it is **Christmas Party Day** in school. Children can come to school in their party clothes and will enjoy festive activities, Christmas lunch with crackers and a traditional pantomime –Old King Cole. Please ensure that if you wish your child to have a Christmas lunch in school that this is ordered from Ideal by Monday 10th December.



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

John 13:34-35