

DIARY DATES

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

Thursday 12th December

KSI Nativity Performance - 2.00pm



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Year 5 & 6 Choir visit to Oldrids & Downtown Primary School Choir event



Friday 13th December

KSI Nativity Performance - 9.30am



Monday 16th December

Year 5 & 6 Choir visit to Priory Academy Christmas Carol service at St Wulfram's Church



Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Party Day



Wednesday 18th December

West Midlands Theatre Pantomime-Aladdin



Thursday 19th December

End of Term



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

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

Matthew 3:3

Dear Parents/Carers

Well what another lovely week we have all enjoyed at Barrowby CE Primary School. It has been lovely to see so many of our parents supporting our children's performances, including our Y5 & 6 Choir-at Walton's Christmas Choir Festival, our Y4 Choir-at Apple Tree Care Home and our Reception children with today's wonderful Christmas Assembly. What a special place our school is. I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter.

Len Batey-Headteacher

Events In School

Christmas Tree Festival



Last weekend was the St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival. There were over 100 Christmas Trees on display including the one from Barrowby CE Primary School. We were pleased to see that lots of our families supported this and even sent us photographs of their children by our tree.



Christmas Fair

On Friday 29th November, we held our Bi-annual Christmas Fair and the first of our many Christmas events in school. This proved to be as popular as ever with more than 350 people attending. Wow!

We all enjoyed a fantastic array of stalls, a raffle and refreshments provided by the members of FoBS. This event was to help raise funds for this year's Year 6 Legacy Gift. We are delighted to announce we raised an incredible £1469.07!

The raffle was drawn by Mr Batey at the end of the evening and the following tickets were winning tickets that have yet to claim their prize: Blue tickets: 239, 251 and 284; Yellow tickets: 173 and 655. If you have these tickets then please bring them to the school office to claim your prize.



As always, thank you for your generosity, kindness and support, it is always greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Kelsey in Year 6 for donating a further £40 after selling shining stars-wow!

Christmas Tree and Nativity



On Monday 2nd December, Mr Batey had help from some of our Reception children as they explored further the Christmas Story and created the nativity display which is under the Christmas Tree, at the front of the school.

The children thoroughly enjoyed retelling the story and were so helpful creating our lovely display. The tree has travelled from St Wulfram's to our school-for all the school community to enjoy-signalling the preparations during our Advent season.

Governor Meetings

FRP Committee

Monday 3rd February 2020 at 1.15 pm



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

Next meeting:

Friday 10th January 2020 at 2.00pm

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

Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

607

CHICHESTER

575

SCOTT

586

Walton Academy Choir Festival

On Wednesday 4th December, members of our Year 5 & 6 choir went to Walton Academy to perform in the annual Christmas Primary Choir Festival.



This year the Year 13 performing arts students wrote, choreographed and performed in the event with the production being based around the very popular 'Polar Express.'

The children began their performances by performing a choral piece with Mr Batey called 'It's soon, to be Christmas.' The children performed with confidence and enthusiasm, synchronising their movements. They followed that up with a vocal performance of 'It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas' which was led by Mrs Selby.

The Walton Theatre was full of parents from all three Primary Schools who were performing and we hope they all left feeling very festive having enjoyed watching their children take part in this community performance.

Mrs Dolby, Festival Organiser at Walton Academy have emailed the school to say:

'I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you and your children for their performances in last night's Primary Choir Festival.'

You have all worked really hard to ensure the performances were as professional as possible which only added to the success of the evening. It was great to see a variety of performances, including choral speaking, dance moves and harmonies.'



Please pass on my thanks to your children. They were absolutely amazing and definitely should be very proud of themselves. They smiled, laughed and seemed to have a really good time.'

Thank you one and all: to the children, their parents and staff who supported this event: Mrs Midgley, Miss Swatton, Mrs Selby and Mr Batey. What a great team we all are!

Year 4 Choir-Apple Tree Care Home

On Thursday 5th December, representatives from our Year 4 choir entertained the residents at Apple Tree nursing home, in Grantham. They sang a range of Christmas songs and carols and entertained the residents. As usual the children showed immaculate manners and were an absolute pleasure to accompany.

Today, we received a message from one of our parents:

'I received a beautiful message from a friend last night, her Mum is a resident at the care home where the children sang yesterday.'

My friend said, what a beautiful and thoughtful thing that the teachers had arranged to sing songs at my mums care home yesterday, please thank the teachers, the children and all their truly lovely friends, my mum and I enjoyed the whole experience.'

Please thank Mrs Webster and Mrs Clark for organising and the truly wonderful year 4 choir.'

At this special time, it is important to think of others, of those in our community who we can support. It was our pleasure to reach out and brighten the days of residents at Apple Tree Care Home.

Thank you to Mrs Webster and Mrs Clark for accompanying the children and to our parents for transporting children to and from school, without whom we could not have done this charitable act. Thank you.



Reception Christmas Assembly

On Friday 6th December, we welcomed our Reception parents as we all enjoyed this year's Reception Christmas Assembly. It was lovely to see so many parents there.

The children treated the audience to two songs: the first a beautiful version of the Christmas story celebrating the birth of the baby Jesus, as well as a second recognising the excitement around preparing for Father Christmas' visit. The children sung beautifully and they 'shone brightly' as they performed.



Performances such as these give our children the opportunity to develop self-confidence and promote high self-esteem.

A huge thank you to our parents, to the Friends of Barrowby School, to Mrs Watson, Mrs Hart and of course Mrs Banfield and Mrs Selby. What a wonderful way to end our week.



Pasada

This week, we have had enjoyed the company of two special visitors, figures of Mary and Joseph carved from the pews at Barrowby All Saints Church.



This week the figures have journeyed and visited: our very own nativity; Walton Academy, when our Y5 & 6 Choir performed; Apple Tree Care Home, when our Y4 Choir performed and were part of the audience at today's Reception Christmas Assembly, when our youngest children performed.



This Advent season these figures will continue their journey moving in and around Barrowby, participating in a number of seasonal activities as we countdown to Christmas. We look forward to seeing them again. Watch this space.

Reminders

Key Stage 1 Nativity

If you have requested tickets for the Key Stage 1 Nativity next week then these are being sent home today with your child so please check their book bag.

Reception Nativity Photographs

If you paid for a Reception Christmas Assembly photograph this morning this has been sent home with your child.

Christmas Lunch

Don't forget that if you wish your child to enjoy a Christmas lunch in school on Wednesday 18th December then this needs to be ordered with Ideal by midnight on Monday 9th December.



Supporting Communities

As a school, we are always happy to work with our local community and signpost events which may be of interest to our families. However, parents should not regard this an endorsement or recommendation, and must satisfy themselves of the suitability of the activity for their child/ren or families.



Barrowby Open Door Films - Children and Family Christmas Special:

Snowman; Snowman and Snowdog
at Barrowby Memorial Hall 3pm Sunday 15th Dec. Christmas crafts and refreshments available.

See posters at Reading Room or Barrowby Post Office for details. To reserve your seat or if you would like to get involved with Open Door and help choose the family films for next year please email barrowbyopendoor@gmail.com