

DIARY DATES

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Wednesday 21st July

Last day of term



To all our Year 6 children

Goodbye & good luck



Monday 6th September

Return to school



Governor Meetings



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*Barrowby Church of England
Primary School*

Newsletter 21st July 2021

For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Isaiah 55:12

Dear Parents/Carer's

Well, here we are the final week of the year, the final days of the week of the year and when you receive this Newsletter, it'll be the final day of the year. What a year!

I will be sending out my end of year letter on Friday 23rd July for all our families summarising this year and looking forward to the next. For now, I would like to wish our Year 6 children good luck at their secondary school and also look to welcome our new Reception children into school on the 23rd July for their 'Teddy Bear's Picnic.'

I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and learning a little bit more about school life.

Mr Len Batey-Headteacher

Events In School

Year 6 Party & Memory Walk

On Monday 19th July, our Year 6 children enjoyed their Leavers' Beach Party!

On arrival to school, the children were presented with a Hawaiian garland and welcome drink. The children and their parents were invited to take a 'Walk Down Memory Lane' and have a look at all the children's memory boards.

Once the party started, children had lots of opportunities to dance to their favourite songs, as well as toasting marshmallows around our fire pit! At the end of the evening, all the children were presented with a certificate.



The children ended the evening with a 'mass dance-off' including parents-on the playground joining in with the final dance: 'YMCA!'



At the end of the evening, our Beach Party King and Queens were crowned and the evening concluded with them leaving the party under the cover of our very own 'party arch.' Thank you to all the staff who stayed and supported, it was a great success.

Thank you to Mr Poole for providing the music as our very own 'Disco Man' and to the parents for their ongoing support and understanding. Go team Barrowby!



Year 6 Leavers' Production

On Monday 19th July, the link for this year's end of year show was made available to our parents-'Wow what a Year!'

The whole school watched the production, remotely in bubbles during the afternoon with Mr Batey joining the Year 6 children for the premier in the hall. What a wonderful production! Thank you to Miss Swatton and Miss Lees for making the show such a memorable experience for the children.



Year 6 Leaver's Song as featured in 'Wow-what a Year!'

As part of this years Leavers' Production the children re-wrote lyrics to 'Once I was 7 years old' and created the song 'Once I was at Barrowby.' A moving tribute to their time at our school. For those of you that haven't seen the show we thought we'd include the lyrics for you to enjoy:

Once I was at Barrowby

Once I was in Year 1

My family told me
Go make yourself some friends
and keep on growing
Once I was in year 1.

It was a big, big school
The kids were even bigger
With our great friends now by our sides
Yeah, we were learning quicker.
We went on trips, played games and learnt
To see the bigger picture
Growing bigger, taller, louder, towards
Another year

Once I was in year 2

My family told me,
Go make yourself some friends and
Keep on growing
Once I was in year 2.

I started to dream big
And set some goals before me
I started my phonics and sports
And started writing stories
I had no need to worry
The corridor before me
Adventure playground was my home
Recorder at the ready.

Once I was in year 3

My family told me,
Go make yourself some friends and
Keep on growing
Once I was in year 3.

I started key stage 2

I'm getting grown up now yeah
Off we went to different classes
New friends and adventures
We visited the zoo and made some great
monster clay pictures
We were sad to leave year 3
but holidays went quickly.

Once I was in year 4

My family told me,
Go make yourself some friends and
Keep on growing
Once I was in year 4.

I learned about world wars
And played the ukulele
I joined in with clubs and
performing arts with Mr Batey
One night in Kingswood spent
The night away with my friends
But then I learnt that I found strength in everyone
around me!

Once I was in year 5

My family told me,
Go make yourself some friends and
Keep on growing
Once I was in year 5.

Another year group up
My teacher's ready for me
So I could show them who I was
and do my best yeah they'll see.
Lots of my friends are with me
And new students also joined me
And some I had to say goodbye to
what an amazing journey.

Now I am in Year 6

My primary schooling done
Remember life and then your life
Becomes a better one

I stand up proud and happy
With my friends here out the front
I hope you know it
We give thanks today to everyone.

Soon I'll be in year 7

When I think that I am old
And I have so many subjects set
Before me
Soon I'll be in year 7
Once I was at Barrowby
My family told me,
Go make yourself some friends and
Keep on growing
Once I was at Barrowby
Once I was at Barrowby.



WOW!
WHAT A YEAR!

Class Transition

On Tuesday 20th July, the whole school were able to enjoy meeting their new teachers as part of their transition. It was lovely that the Government guidance changed and has allowed the teachers and teaching assistants to meet their new classes in readiness for the start of next term. On Friday 23rd July, our new Reception children will also be joining us for their 'Teddy Bear's Picnic' as they join us to become familiar with the school and meet their teachers in person.



Year 6 Waterfight

On Tuesday 20th July, our Year 6 children along with Mr Batey, Miss Lees, Miss Swatton, Mrs Kay, Mr Caton and Mrs Midgley took part in the annual Water Fight! Needless to say, everyone got absolutely drenched! It was great fun and the children even had the opportunity to 'dunk' Mr Batey and Miss Lees! All involved had a fantastic time, and the weather was perfect. Well done Year 6, what a fabulous group of children you are, you will certainly all be missed.



Awards Ceremony 2021

On Wednesday 21st July, the whole school joined Mr Batey outside for an outdoor 'Awards Ceremony.' It was lovely to have the whole school together on the final day of term. Throughout the Ceremony, Mr Batey acknowledged the winners of this term's Tennis Challenge, awarded the attendance certificates: 80 Gold certificates – 100% for this year, 35 silver certificates – 100% for 2 terms and 25 Bronze certificates - 100% for this term-well done everyone.

In addition, Mr Batey awarded the various school shields and awards to recipients from Year 2 and Year 6.

This year, we decided to increase the amount of awards available including creating a special 'Shining Star Award' for those children who have demonstrated positive attitude and enthusiasm towards all aspects of school life. This year's recipients include:

Dylan Cox

Thomas Darby Emily Burland Hermione Handley

Toby Wollerton Georgia Bentley Lauren Jackson

In addition, the school has created a further 3 awards, brand new for this year:

- **Humanities Award** - recognising children who enjoy subjects such as Re, History and/or Geography or a combination of all areas;
- **School Values Award** - recognising an individual who embodies our values of Creativity, Respect and Independence; and our
- **Resilience Award** - given to an individual for overcoming challenges and continuing to demonstrate 'can do' attitudes despite those challenges.

Well done to all recipients of these awards. What examples you are to all our school family.

Sportsman	Oliver Atter
Sportswoman	Serenity Vaughan
Sportsmanship	Isla Gray
Sportsmanship	Oliver Parr
Public Spirit KS1	Grace Banos
Public Spirit KS2	Jessica Whitfield
Endeavour KS1	Louis Wright
Endeavour KS2	Alba Clayton
Writer's Shield	Christian Shaw
Creative Arts Award	Lola Lord
Musician	Anagha Siddhanti
Performing Arts	Lottie Stanley
Public Speaking	Aaryan Singh
Science	Seth Daghish
Student of The Year	Freddie Coulson
Maths	Okitha Jayakody
Striving for Excellence	Georgia Moore
Humanities	Noah Mason
School Values	Lacey Langley
Resilience	Joshua Hawken

Last Day of School

A Leaver's Message

Well, it's that time of the year, where we look to the future. As I write this, you are all outside signing shirts and each others autograph book. I would like to wish you every success at whichever school you are joining. I hope you have fond memories of our school and have learnt that you 'can do' anything you put your mind to. 7 years have flown by and now the classes of 2021 are leaving, ready to take their next steps and hopefully build on the successes of Barrowby. You will always be a part of the Barrowby school family-good luck as you continue to 'strive for excellence' on your learning journey. We will all miss you.

Mr Batey-Headteacher



LEAVERS Class of 2021



Staff Updates



Today, we would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Watson who has been working at our school for 17 years as a Teaching Assistant and more recently as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant. From September, she will no longer be working as a Teaching Assistant but will be working towards her Qualified Teacher Status as she works alongside Miss Sugden and their new class of children-training to be a Primary School teacher. Good luck Mrs Watson and we are so glad we can continue to be a part of your journey.

During August, Miss Swatton will be getting married. Congratulations to her and her husband to be. When she returns to school she will be Mrs Ward. We hope you both enjoy your very special day and are looking forward to seeing photographs when we return. Congratulations to the happy couple.



Celebrating Success



We would like to congratulate one of our Year 6 pupils who has successfully passed his karate black belt grading, awarded by the chief JKS examiner for England, Sensi Alan Cambell. This pupil is the youngest ever member of his karate club to achieve his black belt. How amazing is that!

This has very much been down to his 'can do' attitude, especially during the lockdown where training had to take place in his very own sitting room on zoom! Congratulation and a very well done! We are all so very proud of you!

Reminders For Parents



Uniform in September

In September, all pupils should wear their full-school uniform. This includes:

- **Girls:** Barrowby cardigan/jumper, white polo shirt and either mid grey skirt or pinafore dress with mid-grey tights; or mid grey tailored trousers.
- **Boys:** Barrowby jumper, white polo shirt and mid grey tailored trousers.

As we will be returning in the Autumn term please remember:

- Girls will not be permitted to wear summer dresses with white ankle or white knee length socks; and
- Boys will not be permitted to wear mid-grey tailored shorts.

Please remember that children are not allowed to wear ear rings for school, please bear this in mind if you intend having your child's ear's pierced. Children will also need their PE kit in school along with plimsolls for PE sessions in the hall as well as trainers (preferably black) for outdoor use by Key Stage 2 children. All uniform can be purchased from our school uniform provider Nationwide by clicking [HERE](#).

Return to school

We look forward to seeing you on our return to school on **Monday 6th September**.

A Leaver's Message-Miss Swatton and Miss Lees

Wow what a pleasure it has been to teach you this year! To watch you mature into the confident, successful and caring children you have become over the last year has been an absolute pleasure. We will miss you so much, but we have no doubt that you will continue to let your light shine at your secondary schools. Please come back and visit us, we love to hear how you're getting on!



*what feels like
the End
is often
the Beginning*

