

## DIARY DATES

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

**Thursday 25th March**  
Year 6 E-Safety Workshop



**Thursday 25th March**  
SEND Review Meetings



**Tuesday 30th March**  
Reception/Year 1 - Native American Day



**Wednesday 31st March**  
Easter Service



**Wednesday 31st March**  
Last day of term

## EASTER BREAK



## Governor Meetings

Budget Setting Meeting—26th April 2021



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

Next meeting:

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



# Barrowby Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter 19th March 2021

*Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.* Matthew 28: 5-6

Dear Parents/Carer

Wow, what another very busy week, we have all enjoyed here at Barrowby CE Primary school. The children have all begun undertaking their termly assessments with some pleasing results. It's still early days for measuring the impact of the lockdown however, for those children in Key Stage 2 who engaged in Live Lessons, worked with their teachers daily and handed in work they seemed to have done reasonably well in their Reading and Writing assessments compared to those children who did not engage as regularly with the Live Lessons.

It is pleasing to see that the work we did over the Lockdown has seemingly had a positive affect of minimising the impact of the most recent isolation period for many of our children, with some children maintaining or even improving their academic standards. Unfortunately, it is inevitable that for those children that did not engage daily with the Live Lessons and did not regularly submit work that the period of isolation will have had a greater impact on their current academic standards.

Over the coming weeks, I am looking forward to meeting with the different teachers across the school as we evaluate current academic standards and look to support those that need it.

Parent/Teacher Consultations are scheduled for Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th April 2021, from 4.30pm. Teachers will share strengths and next steps for each of the children in their classes with their parents. I advise all parents to attend these sessions, so you can better understand the impact the forced school closure has had on your child/ren's education. Bookings for these will open next week on ParentmailPMX.

Last week, I received this letter:

*Thank you and all the staff at Barrowby, especially my child's class teacher for the lockdown learning. It really has been lovely to have a structured day and watch them grow in confidence and independent learning.*

*Thank you for all your hard work behind the scenes. The bits that we don't see however without them the school wouldn't run so smoothly.*

*It is lovely to hear from our parents. It is lovely to see the hard work that everyone has put in, bear fruits.*

*I am delighted with how the children seem to have fitted back in to school life. Well done to all those parents that worked with their child/ren over the lockdown period. I hope you will be pleasantly surprised with how your child/ren have returned and for those children that did not attend Live Lessons as regularly I hope parents will be realistic with how their children have performed in these assessments and support the teachers and their children when they describe how those children will be supported to 'catch up.'*

*I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter.*

*Mr Len Batey  
Headteacher-Barrowby CE Primary School*



## Letter from Bishop Christopher

Since returning to school, on Monday 8th March we have received a letter from the Bishop of Lincoln. Please click on the link to read the correspondence from Bishop Christopher. [Click Here](#)

## Praise where Praise is due

This week we received an email from one of our Governors:

*As a Foundation Governor, Bishop's Visitor, and Minister at Barrowby Church I have been particularly delighted by the way school has not only continued Collective Worship during the lockdown and school closure, but has also continued to develop it, and invited parents and governors to attend online each week.*

*This demonstrated that Collective Worship is regarded as vitally important, and a highly valued part of our school life. At a time when school was under a great deal of pressure, as staff prepared and delivered lessons to children home schooling, as well as supporting those children permitted to be in school, this is one area that could very easily have been allowed to slip, and I am very grateful to all staff for making sure this did not happen.*

*Many parents and governors joined the Collective Worship and I know that they very much appreciated the opportunity to do so. A very important consequence is that children and families felt much more in touch with school, and with each other, during a very difficult period and consequently, the children's return to school was smoother for both them and school.*

*This is a powerful example of our outstanding Christian ethos in action, and at the heart of our school community.'*

## Healthy Lunches

At Barrowby CE Primary School, we strive to ensure our children are healthy and active at all times. We encourage our children to drink water from their water bottles as well as eat a balanced diet and exercise regularly. Parents can play an important part in supporting our children to eat healthier.

We would like to remind parents to provide water for children to drink rather than juice, in their 'water bottle.' As we all know, juice can contain sugars, sweeteners and other ingredients which are not necessarily healthy. Children should drink approximately 2 litres of water throughout the day-juice is not an acceptable alternative.

Parents should avoid sending: sweets, chocolate covered biscuits, chocolate bars and other non-healthy food types to school, in packed lunches.

Of course, we recommend eating a broad and balanced diet and hope that our parents can support us to ensure all our children continue to be healthy and active, while at school.

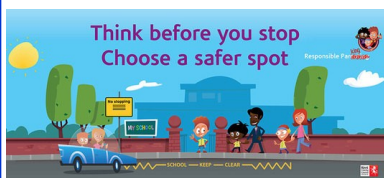
## Church Street Parking

We would like to encourage parents to consider where they are parking and whether this is a safe place. The school works closely with our community to ensure that issues that may affect our local residents are discussed and resolved to a mutually beneficial level.

With this in mind, please could we remind parents not to park in Church Street where ever possible. Please park considerately to local residents and ensure that your vehicle is not blocking access for emergency vehicles or access to the roads or drive ways.

It is imperative that when parents visit our school either to drop off or pick up their children that they do so with due care and attention and do not put others at risk. They should also give consideration to our local community and park safely and in appropriate areas.

This may result in parents parking a small distance away from school and walking into the school grounds to drop off or collect their children. It is important to our school that positive relations with our local community remain in place and do not diminish due to inconsiderate, dangerous parking by our parents or visitors.



We have been trying very hard to encourage sustainable travel to school. However, should you need to drive to school please ensure that you park considerately and safely. This will help make sure that we continue to keep congestion to a minimum, maintain a good relationship with the school's neighbours and help keep our children safe.



### Events At School-Weekly Commendations

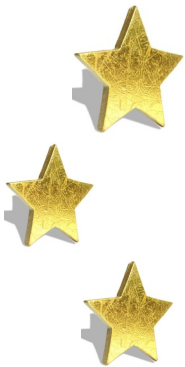
We would like to acknowledge the work completed at school by individual pupils by awarding our 'Headteacher Commendations.' This week the commendations go to:



<u>Reception and Key Stage 1</u>		<u>Key Stage 2</u>	
Mrs Banfield	Harvey Adams	Mrs Tinkley/ Mrs Goodband	Joshua Kim
Mrs Selby	Daniel Allwood	Mr Caton	Betsy Milne
Mr Liversidge	Hannah Exley	Miss Kirk	Samuel Clayton
Miss Sugden	Ellis Hawken	Miss Swatton	Holly Dean
		Miss Lees	Lola Miller



We would like to acknowledge children's effort and attitude at school by individual pupils by awarding our 'Shining Star Certificates.' This week the certificates go to:



<u>Reception and Key Stage 1</u>		<u>Key Stage 2</u>	
Mrs Banfield	Edith Dempsey Parker Foster	Mrs Tinkley/ Mrs Goodband	Leo Chapman
Mrs Selby	Amelia Simons	Mr Caton	Fraya Sharpe
Mr Liversidge	Jacob Wright	Miss Kirk	Mia-Grace Harper
Miss Sugden	Abigail Sacker	Miss Swatton	Alba Clayton
		Miss Lees	Dylan Cox



### Times Tables Rockstars

This week, we would like to recognise the **Rock Legends** who have continued to learn and revise the times tables and associate division facts, using Times Tables Rockstars. This week, certificates are awarded for those children with the **highest number of correct answers** in their class. The **Rock Legends** are:



<b>Biggest Increase In Numbers</b>	<b>Key Stage 2</b>
<b>Reception and Key Stage 1:</b> ST/JL Seamus Morris LS Abigail Sacker	Y3 Maxwell Shaw Y4 Suwanya Gurusinghe Y5 Louie Seth-Smith Y6 Holly Dean Y6 Joshua Hawken



All certificates are now emailed home to parents,  
the same date as the newsletter goes home:  
Friday the end of the week.

### Weekly House Point Totals

<b>ARMSTRONG</b> <b>290</b>
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<b>CHICHESTER</b> <b>235</b>
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<b>SCOTT</b> <b>224</b>
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## Dates for your Diary



### Reception Class Photograph

We are pleased to inform you, we have been advised the First Class supplement of reception class pictures will run in the April 23rd edition of the Grantham Journal. This is with the hope that by then everyone is settled, so it seems the right time to publish the special supplement. Their aim is to make First Class a celebration of school life, and there's never been a time when this has been needed more.

### Year 6 Transition Days

We have received confirmation of the following secondary school transition dates for our Year 6 children. We are awaiting confirmation from The Priory Ruskin Academy and The Priory Belvoir Academy, however, we have been advised these will most likely take place in early July.

- The King's School Grantham - Tuesday 6th July
- KGGS - Tuesday 6th July
- Walton Academy - Tuesday 6th July



### Bikeability Cycle Training

Thank you to all our Year 6 parents for completing the Bikeability Cycle Training consent forms for all our Year 6 children, the cycle training is scheduled to take place for all Year 6 children on **Monday 28th June - Thursday 1st July.**

Thank you for your continued support.

## Bikeability Cycle Instructors Wanted!



*"The teaching is a joy and I have the flexibility to deliver a course that engages and empowers the children in a fun way."*

an Outspoken cycle instructor



[outspokentraining.co.uk/vacancies](http://outspokentraining.co.uk/vacancies)

## We're searching for new Cycle Instructors

### Could you inspire the next generation of cyclists?

Outspoken Training are looking for confident communicators to enthuse school children to make more journeys by bicycle.

If you have loads of enthusiasm to share and are looking for rewarding work to deliver during school term time, we would love to hear from you.

Role: Freelance (self-employed)

Hourly Rate: £12

Cycle Training Programme: Bikeability

Training and Support: We provide full, free training and ongoing support including nationally recognised qualifications.

For more information, please contact Graham:

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