

## DIARY DATES

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

### Thursday 17th September

Roots To Food

### Year 4 and 5 Cooking Workshop



### Friday 18th September

FOBs AGM



### Monday 21st September

Parent Workshop

### Year 1 Phonics



### Thursday 24th September

Parent Workshop

### Y6 Residential Visit



### Wednesday 30th September

Parent Workshop

### RSE Workshop



### Friday 9th October

Harvest Festival



### Governor Meetings

Monday 9th November

FRP Meeting

Tuesday 10th November

FGB



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

Next meeting:

AGM - Friday 18th September

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



# Barrowby Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter 11th September 2020

*From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise'*

Matthew 21: 16

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow, can you believe we've been back at school for a whole 7 days? That's right, we're now coming to the end of our 2nd week at school. Time flies when you're having fun.

I would like to thank our whole school community for following the school's guidelines around the start and end of day arrangements. This week, we again look to adapt those arrangements so that we can continue to ensure that the start and end of day run as smoothly as they can. Please see below for further information.

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

Mr Len Batey

Headteacher-Barrowby CE Primary School

### Starting Back at School

This week we have received a couple of messages from two of our parents, they read:

*"I hope you are well and are recovering from your hard week at work. I just wanted to say a big thank you to all the staff at Barrowby for the fantastic return to school. The kids have thoroughly enjoyed being back and you can already see a difference in their attitude to learning. Along with this, and in very trying circumstances, the pick ups and drop offs have worked really well. Well done Barrowby. As a parent I would like to say Thank You."*

*"Miss Kirk and Mrs Clark have made my child's return to School a happy one. We did have concerns as a family however Mr Batey and all of you, have put in place what we had hoped for. During these unpredictable times, thank you to each and everyone one of you. Your commitment in providing the best and getting the children back to School safely means a lot. Have a lovely week and stay safe."*

Thank you to all of our parents who have followed the school's guidance around wearing face masks/coverings when dropping off and collecting your child, as well as refraining from arriving at school too early.



### What A Wonderful World! - Mrs Banfield's Class

This week, our class discussion highlighted that we all love to be outside. We love our world and can name lots of beautiful things from flowers to birds, clouds to rainbows. So, we decided to go and have a look at the spectacular outdoors that we are so lucky to have at our school.

We smelt the fresh air, looked at the cloud shapes in the sky and listened to the birds swooping around the many trees. We felt the grass but wanted a different experience, one we had never had at school before...so, we took our shoes and socks off and felt the cool, lush grass under our toes!

Squeals of enjoyment filled the air as we excitedly described the sensation! We then took a closer look at our trees and gave them a hug, wow, our arms couldn't reach all the way round but they could when we found a friend! We really are lucky to have such a fabulous outdoor environment!



## Parent Workshop - 11+

On Thursday 10th September we were due to hold our annual 11+ Information Evening Meeting for our Year 5 children and parents. Unfortunately, due to the current guidance and social restrictions we were not be able to host a 'face to face' 11+ Information meeting as we would normally do.



However, on Friday the 11th September, the presentation was uploaded to the school's website. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the interactive presentation narrated by Mr Batey. We hope you find it useful.

## Start and End of Day Arrangements

Thank you to all of our parents for their ongoing support and understanding at this difficult time. We would like to make another slight adjustment to our start and end of day arrangements. Please see below the amended arrangements for week beginning **Monday 14th September 2020** for children and siblings (siblings can continue to be dropped off alongside the earliest child):

### Drop off Times

#### Pedestrian Path

8.45-8.55am	Year 6	IL & TS	Pedestrian Path
8.45-8.55am	Year 5	EK	Pedestrian Path
8.50-9.00am	Year 4	SC	Car Park
8.50-9.00am	Year 3	LJV	Pedestrian Path

#### Church Path

8.45-8.55am	Year 1/2	LS & ST/JL	Church Path
8.50-9.00am	R/YI	SB & KE	Church Path

### Collection Times

#### Pedestrian Path

3.10-3.20pm	Year 6	IL & TS	Pedestrian Path
3.10-3.20pm	Year 5	EK	Pedestrian Path
3.15-3.25pm	Year 4	SC	Car Park
3.15-3.25pm	Year 3	LJV	Pedestrian Path

#### Church Path

3.10-3.20pm	Year 1/2	LS and ST/JL	Church Path
3.15-3.25pm	R/YI	KE and SB	Church Path

As you can see, we are confidently able to admit all children at the beginning of the day and say 'goodbye' to all our children at the end of the day within 20 minutes.

**Please do not arrive at school too early in the morning or in the afternoon.** Next week, the gates will not open until 8.45pm and children and parents will not be permitted to congregate outside of the school before gates open. Staff will continue to be on-hand to advise and support our children and parents. Please continue to use the designated drop-off/collection places. All adults coming to school should continue to wear a face mask/covering.

From Monday, our Reception parents are asked to accompany their child and queue on the left of the hall, as usual and then to encourage their child to go to their classroom from that point. Again staff will be on hand to support those that need it, but this should also help to make the arrival to school run smoothly for all children.

Once again, thank you for your continued support and understanding. We are better, when we work together.



### **FOBs AGM**

Next Friday 18th September it is the Annual General Meeting of our PTA– The Friends of Barrowby School. This will be at 1.45 pm.

Today we have sent a form to all parents/carers asking them to indicate if they would like to attend. Please could this form be completed by 10.00 am on Tuesday 15th September. Unfortunately, due to the current guidance and social restrictions we will not be able to host a 'face to face' meeting as we would normally do, in school. We will communicate how we intend to facilitate this meeting, once numbers of interested parents are known. More to follow, next week.

## Parent Workshop - Phonics

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September we will be holding a Phonics Workshop for our Y1/2 parents to provide information about the Y1 Phonic Screener and how you can support your child to apply their phonic skills to decode when reading at home. The Y1 Phonic Screener was cancelled in June because of the forced school closure due to Coronavirus. The Government have now decided that children who missed the screener (now in Y2) will sit the test in the second half of the Autumn term. As well as information about the test we will explain these changes at the workshop.

Unfortunately, due to the current guidance and social restrictions we will not be able to host a 'face to face' meeting as we would normally do, in school. Therefore, the presentation narrated by Miss Sugden will be made available to our Year 1 and 2 parents to view via our school website. The presentation will be available to view from Monday 21st September– we will forward the link to our Year 1 and 2 parents, in due course.



## Events At School-Weekly Commendations

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



<u>Reception and Key Stage 1:</u>		<u>Key Stage 2</u>	
Mrs Banfield	Ralph Milne Georgia Hunt Parker Foster	Mrs Webster	Phoebe Devenport Isaac Winfield
Mrs Eggleston	Henry Bowers Sophia Winfield	Mr Caton	Fraya Sharpe Skyla Brackenbury
Mrs Tinkley/ Mr Liversidge	Leila Gratton Lincoln Winfield	Miss Swatton	Ethan Winfield Chloe Topliss
Miss Sugden	Amelia Hayton Oliver Shield-Kime	Miss Kirk	Tom Liu-Child Caleb Watson
		Miss Lees	Melinda Kluce Isaac Hipwell



<u>Weekly House Point Totals</u>		
<b>ARMSTRONG</b> <b>225</b>	<b>CHICHESTER</b> <b>163</b>	<b>SCOTT</b> <b>165</b>

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



### Girls' Uniform Clarification

We would like to confirm that girls may wear knee high white socks or mid grey tights with their winter uniform.

### Resident Issues

Today, we have had a resident contact the school to complain about a parent dropping off children for school. This elderly disabled resident was asked to reverse her car and felt she was verbally abused by the parent.

Please could we remind all our parents to be respectful to each other as well as all members of our village community. Please remember to be considerate of where you choose to park and how you speak to one another.

### Children Who Walk Home After School

Yesterday, some of our older Y6 children were witnessed being very silly when walking down Church Street, around the Reading Rooms when unaccompanied at the end of the day. Mr Batey, Miss Lees and Miss Swatton have spoken to all the children in Year 6 and reminded them about their manners. Please could you discuss and reinforce with your child the school's expectation for being creative, respectful and independent at all times, if they are walking unaccompanied at the end of the school day.

Thank you again, for your understanding and support.