

DIARY DATES

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Barrowby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 2nd December 2022

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

Matthew 3:3

Wednesday 7th December

Carols In The Community - Parents & Children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Choir



Friday 8th December & Friday 9th December

KSI Nativity Performance



Tuesday 13th December

Rocksteady Music Concert



Tuesday 13th December

Primary School Christmas Choir Festival



Wednesday 14th December

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Party Day



Friday 16th December

Last day of term



Governor Meetings

Monday 30th January
Curriculum and Standards



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Dear Parents/Carers

What a lovely week it has been in school. We are now in the midst of Advent and school and the children are all now preparing for Christmas. It was lovely to see our Reception parents this morning for the Christmas Assembly and I look forward to seeing our Year 1 and 2 parents next week for the Nativity. I hope you enjoy reading this week's Newsletter.

Mr L Batey-Headteacher

Events In School

Year 6 visit to Stibbington



On Friday 25th November, our Year 6 children took a trip back in time to WW2 Stibbington! They arrived and were given their very own evacuee identities. The children then went on a tour around the village and were shown where they could be evacuated to! Then they arrived at the centre and were transported back to a WW2 classroom. The children learnt spellings, listened to the then Princess Elizabeth give her broadcast.. and then-the air raid siren!

The children had to go to the air raid shelter and keep themselves occupied by singing classic WW2 song 'Run Rabbit Run'. Luckily the air raid siren was a red herring, and they could go back to using ink and pen to learn their spellings!



The teacher at Stibbington used the word 'perfect' to describe the behaviour of our Year 6 children. We had a fabulous day, and the children looked great in their WW2 outfits! A big thankyou to Mrs Caunt, Mrs Bird and Mrs Kay for supporting Year 6 and Miss Lees.

Duchess Visit

On Monday 28th November, we had a special visit from the Duchess of Rutland! We were very excited to meet her and ask her some questions! She told us all about how she grew up on a farm in Wales and how she became the Duchess of Rutland and moved to Belvoir Castle.



The children asked her questions about what it is like to live in a castle and where her favourite room was. We then sang her 'Go Tell it on the Mountain' which she really enjoyed! Thank you very much to Her Grace for finding time to come and visit us.

Health & Wellbeing Committee



On Tuesday 29th November, Miss Lees led the Wellbeing committee meeting. This meeting is open to all members of our school staff, and it was great to have a member from each staff group attend. We had some useful conversations about staff and child mental wellbeing, ensuring that again it is a priority for our school. Watch this space!

Year 6 Enrichment Day

On Friday 2nd December, Year 6 enjoyed a whole day of DT! They have been working towards designing and making bunting from recycled and repurposed materials. The children completed the whole day independently, from cutting out the bunting, to threading the needle and stitching the bunting together! They had a fabulous day, and keep an eye out for our Year 6 bunting around school!





Reception Christmas Assembly

What a delight we have had today! Our wonderful Reception children performed their Christmas Show. They showcased a fun video of them preparing for the show and then the doors opened to joyous faces and in they walked. They sang their hearts out to 'The Animals in the Stable' and 'Our Christmas Tree'.

We are all so very proud of them! Their smiling faces, confident singing and wonderful costumes made Friday morning a delight! How lucky we are to have such wonderful, hardworking children. Well done to you all, it's official...Christmas has begun! Let the festivities commence!

Christmas Postbox

This week the annual Year 6 post box design competition took place! The winner this year is pictured right, who designed a classic Santa for our post box this year. She worked hard with her friends and the lovely Mrs Kay to make the post box on Wednesday and it was revealed to the children yesterday; sitting proudly at the front of the school.

Yesterday, she stood up and told the whole school how to address their Christmas cards (the name of the recipient and the class they are in). The 'Post Crew' will be delivering the cards every day to the relevant classrooms. Christmas really is here now!



Performing Stars

Following our performing star performance last week, we have received the following positive comment into school -

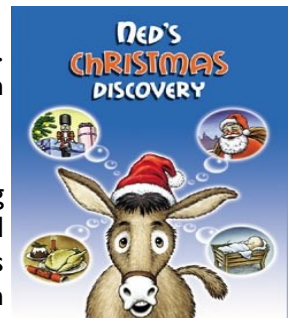
'Thank you very much for inviting me to come in and accompany Freddie on Friday, it was a lovely experience and I was made to feel very welcome. I was so proud of him.'

Up and Coming Events

KSI Nativity Performance

It's that time of year again when we all look forward to the Christmas events in school. One of the highlights being the Key Stage 1 Nativity. This will take place in school on **Thursday 8th December at 2.00pm and Friday 9th December at 9.30am.**

There will be refreshments and a raffle after each performance and we will also be selling photographs, payments for photographs will be required at the time of ordering, this will be at a cost of £2.00 per picture. As in past years, we would be very grateful for donations of cakes/mince pies. Please could these be sent to school by the morning of Thursday 8th December.



Carols In The Community - Parents & Children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Choir

This year, we would like to invite you and your families to come and join us in carol singing around the village on Wednesday 7th December, between 5-6pm. We will meet at the green at Pastures Road, walk along Reedings Road to the junction of Low Road and walk up to the School.

We will stop at various points to sing a carol each time and then head back to school for refreshments, provided by FOBS: Hot chocolate, tea/coffee and cookies.

At this time of year we believe that it is important for our school community to come together and enjoy this festive season.

All members of the school are welcome to join the choir for this event, when we return to the school the choir will be performing Carols while enjoying the refreshments. Parents are required to accompany their child/children for this event. We hope that many of you will come out to enjoy this festive tradition. We very much look forward to seeing you there for this lovely Christmas event.



Primary School Christmas Choir Festival

Once again our Year 5 & 6 Choir have been invited to perform at the Primary School Christmas Choir Festival at St Wulfram's Church on Tuesday 13th December.



This is a wonderful event that really gets us into the Christmas spirit! Please could children arrive at St Wulfram's Church for 5.00pm to meet staff from Barrowby School. All children should be in full school uniform including a Barrowby jumper/cardigan and wear their smart black shoes. The festival is due to finish at 6.30 pm. Thank you for your continued support.



Rocksteady Music Concert

Christmas is fast approaching, all the children participating in the Rocksteady Music lessons have had the opportunity to enjoy a range of musical experiences through singing, listening, performing and composing.



The Christmas concert will take place on **Tuesday 13th December at 2.30pm**. We are very much looking forward to celebrating their musical talents in this fabulous Christmas concert with you.

Christmas Lunches

Once again, we will be enjoying a traditional Christmas lunch with crackers in the school hall. Please ensure that if you wish your child to have a Christmas lunch that this is ordered from our hot school meal provider, Ideal by **9.00am on Tuesday 6th December**.



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Party Day

This year, Christmas Parties for all classes will take place on **Wednesday 14th December**.



Children should come to school wearing a Christmas jumper and or party clothes, they will enjoy Christmas games in the morning, and our Reception and Key Stage 1 children will even have a secret 'virtual' visitor (as long as the elf-mail is working).

Once again, we will be enjoying a traditional Christmas lunch with crackers in the school hall. Please ensure that if you wish your child to have a Christmas lunch that this is ordered from Ideal by **9.00am on Tuesday 6th December**. In the afternoon, the whole school will enjoy a performance from the West Midlands Children's Theatre, with their Pantomime, 'Sleeping Beauty,' in the school hall. Once again, thanks to our fundraising efforts, we are able to fund this pantomime, the gifts from Santa and the Christmas crackers, through FOBs – many thanks to everyone.

Church Christmas Service

Our School Christmas Service will take place in Barrowby Church, on **Friday 16th December 2022** at 9.15am. Thank you to those that have requested a ticket for this event, if you have been allocated a ticket you will have been advised by Parentmail today, Friday 25th November, please remember the allocation is only one ticket per family.



Due to the limited seating in the church and the number of tickets requested we are unable to facilitate any further ticket requests.

Weekly House Point Totals

ARMSTRONG

353

CHICHESTER

293

SCOTT

339



**SMOKE FREE
SCHOOL**

Smoke Free School

As you know, Barrowby CE Primary School is a 'Smoke Free Zone.' This includes the school grounds and the surrounding area. We would ask that parents refrain from smoking or vaping when dropping off or waiting to collect their children at the end of the school day. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Signposted Events

Advent and Christmas at Barrowby Church

Sunday 4 December
Families Carols for Advent
10.00am

