



MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

What a busy, exciting half term we are having. The children and staff had an amazing time during World Book Day and really enjoyed learning about 'Book Choice', thank you to Mr Richardson for leading the day. We all have Red Nose Day to look forward to later this term and closer to Easter we are holding 'Easter Day'.

After school clubs have all started again this week and the children are busy learning new skills beyond the classroom. The clubs run by our own staff are done so on a purely voluntary basis and are subject to being cancelled at short notice due to staff attending courses or meetings. Please do not use the clubs as a childcare arrangement as they cannot be guaranteed.

Parent's Evening is coming up on the 28th and 30th of March and letters for appointments will be sent out shortly, if you are unable to make either night, please contact school so an alternative appointment can be made. We strongly encourage you to bring your children with you to Parent's Evening so they can talk through their Assertive Mentoring Files with you.

Cycling and scooting in the school grounds is becoming a small issue again. Children told more than once about this rule will be requested not to bring their bike or scooter to school for the rest of this half term. Parents will be contacted at this point.

As always, the school is open to comments or questions about your child's education. Class teachers should always be your first point of contact but if you would like to speak to a member of the management team, please catch us on the door or ring the school office.

Kind Regards

Mrs Baker

Head Teacher



FRIDAY 17th MARCH 2023

Children to come to school wearing an item of **red!
Family donations welcome.**

**TRAINING
DAY -
MONDAY
20th MARCH
2023**

DATES FOR DIARY

Friday 17th March 2023

Monday 20th March 2023

Tuesday 28th March 2023

Thursday 30th March 2023

Tuesday 9th May 2023

Friday 26th May 2023

Monday 26th June 2023

Monday 17th July 2023

Red Nose Day

Training day – children not in school

Parents Evening

Parents Evening

Year 6 SATS week

Sports Day

Reception new starters 2023 parents meeting

Open evening 3.30-5pm

Vacancy

MSA

5 hours per week

12.15-1.15pm Mon-Fri

Apply to officemanager@barlby-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk

Deadline for applications 8th March 2023
@ 12pm

Improving Parental Communication

Following the questionnaire many of you completed last term, a working party made up from parents and teaching staff has been formed to try and address some of the issues you hi-lighted to us. We will be launching the following new initiatives week commencing Monday 6th March:

- Pink Slips- Parents will be issued with a number of pink slips that can be used to communicate with teachers about matters they need to be aware of that day. e.g. after school pick up arrangements, lost items of clothing, appointments etc. (Further replacement slips will be available from the front office.)
- Yellow WOW moment cards- Following on from the procedure already in place in the nursery and reception classes, each child will be issued with WOW moment cards. These can be used for parents to inform teachers of any 'wow' moments the children have demonstrated outside school. e.g. acts of kindness to others, effort with homework, helping with tasks at home. These can then be returned to school and shared with the teacher/ class. (Further replacement slips will be available from the front office.)
- Headteacher Text Messages- If your child has visited with Mrs Baker regarding outstanding work or behaviour, you will receive a text informing you of this. The text will not specify why your child visited Mrs Baker as we hope the message will encourage a positive discussion at home.
- Notification of Awards- The names of children receiving our weekly headteachers award and bronze/ silver/ gold certificates will be celebrated each week on the school website. (If you do not wish for your child's name to be displayed please inform the school office)
- Newsletter- The monthly newsletter will be displayed on external windows around the school to remind parents of upcoming dates/ events. Newsletters will continue to be emailed to each family home.

If you have any questions or constructive feedback regarding any of the above initiatives please contact - ssmith@barlby-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2023/2024

	SCHOOL CLOSES	SCHOOL OPENS
Easter Holidays	Fri 31 st Mar 2023	Mon 17 th April 2023
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 1 st May 2023	
Coronation Bank Holiday	Mon 8 th May 2023	
May Half Term	Fri 26 th May 2023	Mon 5 th June 2023
Summer Holidays	Tues 25 th July 2023	Tues 5 th Sept 2023
October Half Term	Fri 27 th Oct 2023	Mon 6 th Nov 2023
Christmas Holidays	Fri 22 nd Dec 2023	Mon 8 th Jan 2024
February Half Term	Fri 9 th Feb 2024	Mon 19 th Feb 2024
Easter Holidays	Fri 22 nd Mar 2024	Mon 8 th Apr 2024
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 6 th May 2024	
May Half Term	Fri 24 th May 2024	Mon 3 rd June 2024
Summer Holidays	Fri 19 th July 2024	

TRAINING DAYS 2023 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

MONDAY 20TH MARCH 2023
FRIDAY 7TH JULY 2023
MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2023
FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2023
MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2024
FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024
MONDAY 22ND JULY 2024

Please note that our training days are different to the standard North Yorkshire County Council advertised dates

Governors

Philip Boyes	Chair of Governors/Health & Safety
Geoff Stockill	Vice Chair/LA Governor
Sarah Owen	Staff Governor
Beverley Dowdy	Co-opted Governor/Safeguarding Governor
Solar Richmond	Co-opted Governor
Joanna Millican	Parent Governor
Peter Jones	Parent Governor
Laura Clark	Co-opted Governor
Caroline Karbani	Parent Governor
Ian McKenzie	Parent Governor
Stephen Flatman	Co-opted Governor
Geoff McConnell	Parent Governor
AJ Durling	Co-opted Governor