



MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

Welcome back to the summer term.

Summer term is always particularly busy, and this half term is no exception. Years 2 and 6 have their National Assessments (SATs) very soon, everyone at Barlby Community Primary School are already so proud of the children and what they continuously achieve, we wish them well during the tests but please remember the score they get from their SATs results does not reflect the kind and caring individuals they are with so many talents outside maths, reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling.

I am looking forward to seeing family members at the Coronation Picnic this Friday 5th May 12.30pm, we will have a live singer and a cake stall. I am also looking forward to Sports Day on Friday 26th May, let's hope for good weather for both events. KS2 sports day will start their sports at 10am and Reception and KS1 at 1.30pm. Gates will remain locked until 5 minutes before the events so please don't arrive too early. Should the weather not be kind to us the picnic will be cancelled and the children dismissed at 3.10pm in the usual way.

Bernie (school dog) has now been in school a couple of times and is settling in nicely. We plan for Bernie to start working with some of the children from Thursday 4th May. As we have explained before this will be a very slow process. We are hoping Bernie will be on the playground some mornings. Please give him plenty of space and only approach him if invited to do so by the adult that is handling him at that time. We don't want to overpower Bernie and taking things very slowly is more likely to have a positive result for him and the children.

As always, the school is operating an open-door policy. Class teachers are on the doors in the morning, alongside the leadership team. If you would like a quick word please just come and speak to us, if you would like an appointment, please contact the school office. Your child's class teacher should always be your first port of call.

Kind Regards
Mrs J Baker
Headteacher



Thank you for all your donations - we raised £137.04

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office for a form.

Lateness

It may seem like 10 minutes isn't really that much, but a child who is 'only' 10 minutes late every day will miss **30 hours** of school time that year. If a child is 10 minutes late getting to school, it is more like 20 minutes until they are actually learning. The impact on the class as a whole is even larger. If two children are late, one by 5 minutes and one by 10 minutes, then the whole class has to wait for them to settle and often the whole day's timetable is knocked backwards meaning the whole class miss out on something.

To help tackle the issue of lateness we have introduced a 'lateness letter' which will be sent home to parents at the end of each week. This will help us track families that are often late and allow us to offer appropriate support.

If you have a child who would like to start in our Nursey in September, please contact our school office for an application form.

ParentPay

Please log on to your child's ParentPay account each week and pay all outstanding debts.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2023/2024

	SCHOOL CLOSES	SCHOOL OPENS
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

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

DATES FOR DIARY

Friday 5 th May 2023	Coronation Picnic
Tuesday 9 th May 2023	Year 6 SATS week
Friday 26 th May 2023	Sports Day
Monday 26 th June 2023	Reception new starters 2023 parents meeting 6pm
Monday 17 th July 2023	Open evening 3.30-5pm

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