



NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

We are very pleased to share with you our OFSTED report from October.

The OFSTED inspector fed back at the end of the two-day inspection that the staff at Barlby are a strength of the school and I would like to take this opportunity to thank again ALL the staff for their continued hard work and commitment to the children and the wider community. During the inspection the children spoke confidently about their school and their feelings of being safe and supported, if this was not the case the children would not be able to start their learning. I would also like to thank the Governing Body, a team of volunteers that are fully committed to the improvement of the school and ensuring every child in our care can reach their full potential. The Governing Body continuously give up their time to support the school community and I am very grateful for their full support.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the parent evenings last half term, working in partnership has proven to be the best way to allow your child to succeed. Thank you for your positive comments shared with myself and the teachers. If you have any follow up questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact school in the usual way.

As this term progresses, we will move into the full Christmas spirit and we look forward to seeing many of you at the nativity productions, carols in the yard and the service at the church. More details of all these productions to follow.

Kind regards
Mrs J Baker
Head Teacher





CHILDREN IN NEED FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2023

Children are asked to come to school in their pyjamas or onesie.

We will not be collecting donations on this day, we are doing this purely to raise awareness for the Children in Need charity. If you would like to donate, please do so directly to the charity.

'Together we achieve'

We strongly believe at Barlby that if families and school work together, it makes a huge difference to your child's progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.

We are always happy to help. Please just ask, no issue concerning your child is too small to discuss.

If there is going to be somebody different picking your child up from school, please can you let the school office know before the end of the school day.

We would like to say a big thank you to Greencore for their very kind donation of various food items.

Do you have a child starting in Reception in September 2023?

Are you interested in seeing different settings before you make your choice?

Come and visit our setting and meet our staff. We will be available to answer any questions you may have and you will be able to see how we work.

We look forward to meeting you!

Barlby Community Primary School

Reception 2023 Open Evening

Tuesday 28th November 2023

4 - 5pm

Coats

Please ensure your child brings a NAMED coat to school every day, we do go out to play in the rain. If you are struggling to provide a warm coat for your child this winter please come and speak to us as we have a selection of coats that have been donated or are from lost property that we need to allocate to free up space.

After school clubs will finish for the Christmas break on 8th December.

Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 13th December

Please could all slips be returned by Friday 17th November

LATENESS

We have a large selection of families arriving at school after 8.45am. Late children find it embarrassing to walk in to class after the day has started and they disrupt the learning of others that have arrived on time. Children that arrive late more than a few times will be invited to a meeting with their parents to see how we can support their arrival on time each day.

DATES FOR DIARY

17 th November	Children In Need
24 th November	Hug Doll Day – Non school uniform
28 th November	Open Evening for Reception 2023 starters 4-5pm
1 st December	Inset Day – No children in school
8 th December	Clubs finish for Christmas break
8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
21 st December	KS1 Christmas Party (during school hours)
13 th December	Christmas Dinner Day
19 th December 10am	Year 1 production 10am
19 th December 2pm	EYFS production 2pm
20 th December	KS2 Christmas Party (during school hours)
20 th December 6pm	Year 2 concert at the church
11 th December 2pm	Nursery Christmas sing-a-long
18 th December 2.30pm	Carols in the yard
22 nd December	EYFS Christmas Party (during school hours)
8 th January 2023	Back to School
15 th January 2023	Clubs resume



Our Pupil Wellbeing Ambassadors are raising money to buy a 'Hug' doll for our friends at Abbey Lea care home. We will be having a **non-uniform day on Friday 24th November** to raise funds for this, so family donations will be most appreciated. To find out more about 'Hug' dolls please visit <https://hug.world/>

The poster is for a 'Times Tables Rock Stars' event. At the top, the text 'TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS' is written in a bold, black, winged font. Below this, the word 'PRESENTS' is written in a smaller, white font. The main title 'ENGLAND ROCKS' is written in large, bold, white letters with a black outline, set against a background of a red and white striped flag. To the left of the title is a black speaker icon. Below the title, the dates '14TH - 16TH NOVEMBER 2023' and the time '7:30AM TO 7:30PM (GMT)' are listed. Two red boxes with white text contain the rules: 'PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE!' and '1HR TIME LIMIT PER PERSON!'. At the bottom, a white box contains the text 'WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUPIL!'. The website 'TTROCKSTARS.COM/ONLINE-EVENTS' is listed at the very bottom. The background is a mix of red and blue with yellow lightning bolts and white plus signs.

A handy app to use at home which supports the learning
that we do in school

or something better than that but that's the main idea!!

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/1-minute-maths#download>

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2023/2024

	SCHOOL CLOSES	SCHOOL OPENS
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 2023/2024 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

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

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