



MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

As you will be able to see the building work is progressing very well and on track to be completed for the start of September 2024. Thank you again for being patient with each other when entering and leaving the school grounds through the single gate. We are expecting some disruption within school in the near future when there is a need to connect the roofs, we will keep you posted if this affects drop off and pick up. The new car park is now progressing since the weather has started to be kinder, this can not be finished until the crossing is installed across the road, the contractors are waiting for the correct paper work to be in place from the council.

Despite the building work we are still hoping that Sports Day will take place but NOT as planned on Friday 24th May. I am sorry if you have already asked for holiday leave from work to attend but unfortunately the building work does not allow us the space we need. We have tried to move our day to the high school but they are unable to accommodate us on this date. More details will follow as soon as we have some to share.

I am pleased to share part of an independent audit report that took place in March of this year. We were visited by Mr Huw LLOYD, a Global Professional Instructor of Pivotal Behaviour. Mr LLOYD spent the day in school talking with children and staff, observing lessons and break times. Before leaving Mr LLOYD shared that his report would be the easiest he had ever written due to the very positive observations he had made in school. I am sure you will agree this is very reassuring and a credit to the staff and children of Barlby Community Primary School.

- Every child I met at Barlby Community Primary School was friendly, polite, respectful and also inquisitive. They talked openly with me about their school both formally and also at play and lunchtimes. They told me jokes (some better than others) and took a genuine interest in why I was visiting their school. I always like to ask pupils for directions to see how they respond. Without fail, all pupils not only told me the way but also showed me the way. I left the school at the end of my visit extremely impressed with the pupil body.
- Throughout my day I found Barlby Community Primary School to be a calm, engaging and purposeful learning environment. The pupils I witnessed were well behaved, well-mannered and engaged in purposeful learning activities. On no occasion did I hear adults raising their voices at pupils, nor did I see acts of defiance from pupils directed towards staff. Pupils commented that their teachers made them feel safe and that their teachers are fair to all.

- Behaviour was excellent in the classrooms where staff used high levels of praise and gave their first attention to best conduct. I saw some lovely examples of this, especially lower down the school where pupils were praised for how they sat on the carpet rather than pinpointing those who were not following instructions. Also, in the older age groups this was done well on occasions with pupils who were respectful and ready to learn in classrooms.
- As requested, I carefully observed behaviour at unstructured times. I spent time both in the lunch hall whilst pupils were eating, on the playground and corridors during both play and lunchtime. The behaviour I saw was on the whole positive. I saw pupils interacting with each other well and respectfully. I also saw staff engaging with pupils during this time effectively. Older pupils, deployed as helpers in lower years, were also effective. There were also routines evident at the end of both lunch and playtime to orderly bring pupils back into school and engage in learning again quickly.

The full report can be found on the school website.

As always we are operating an open door policy and should you have any questions, concerns or comments about the school please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. As per our home school agreement, please do not comment about the school on social media, we are unable to support or answer questions if this is how they are chosen to communicate.

Kind Regards
Mrs J Baker
Headteacher

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.

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



Thank you for all your donations - we raised
£230.93

SCHOOL HOLIDAY 2024/2025

	SCHOOL CLOSES	SCHOOL OPENS
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	Wed 4 th September 2024
October Half Term	Fri 25 th Oct 2024	Mon 4 th Nov 2024
Christmas Holidays	Fri 20 th Dec 2024	Mon 6 th January 2025
February Half Term	Fri 14 th Feb 2025	Mon 24 th Feb 2025
Easter Holidays	Fri 4 th April 2025	Tues 22 nd April 2025
May Bank Holiday	Mon 5 th May 2025	
May Half Term 2025	Fri 23 rd May 2025	Mon 2 nd June 2025
Summer Holidays	Tues 22 nd July 2025	

TRAINING DAYS 2024/2025 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024
MONDAY 22ND JULY 2024
MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2024
TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2024
FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024
MONDAY 24TH MARCH 2025
FRIDAY 4TH JULY 2025

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

DATES FOR DIARY

Monday 13th May 2024

Monday 17th June 2024

Thursday 27th June

Friday 28th June 2024

Mon 1st July – Wed 3rd July 2024

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Mon 8th July – Fri 12th July 2024

Monday 15th July 2024

Year 6 SATS week

Reception new starters 2024

parents meeting 6pm

Nursery Trip 9am-3pm

Clubs finish

Year 2 residential

Year 4 residential

Year 6 residential

Open evening 3.30-5pm

Book Fair

We raised £553 in commission for us
to purchase books for our library.

Thank you to everyone!

Governors

Philip Boyes	Chair of Governors/Health & Safety
Geoff Stockill	Vice Chair/LA Governor
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