

One family branching out together

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It's only our second week back after half-term and the weather is being over-kind to us! We are doing our best in school to keep everyone cool, whilst we go about our usual learning and the children are encouraged to keep in the shade during the hottest parts of the day. We are also ensuring that they are kept hydrated, so please help by ensuring that they bring their water bottles filled with water (unless a GP has prescribed otherwise) every day and that they have had their first layer of sun cream applied before school. Our staff will supervise the children to apply further applications of sun cream as required during the school day. We hope that you all enjoy the sunshine whilst it lasts! We welcomed Reggie and Saoirse into Nursery recently and they are settling in nicely.



Rising Stars

Please celebrate the two children from each class below who are our Rising Stars this week.

Class 1

Hana - for always following our school rules and for being kind and making us smile.

George - for always being enthusiastic in all areas of his learning, for being caring to his peers and teaching us new things every day.

Class 2

Charlie - for being a brilliant role model, always remembering to follow our school rules and for being a friend to everyone.

Georgia - for always showing a positive attitude to all areas of learning but particularly for her amazing art.

Class 3

Sam – for his excellent persuasive writing this week. You have been so focused and enthusiastic about your work too. Keep it up!

Matthew – for being very resilient and showing a 'growth mindset' with your writing. You have edited your work and learnt a lot from this process.



Multi-Sports Club



We held our first session of Multi-Sports with First Step Sports last Thursday and the children who attended had an enjoyable session with Graeme, the coach. The Club is open for children from Years 1 to 6 and is an enjoyable way to spend an hour at the end of the school day. So, if you would like your child to attend, please make the payment on ParentPay to secure a place, or email Mrs Briggs if your child attends Kids' Corner but would like to attend the Club beforehand (as there will be no charge).



King's Letter

Following on from the news that the children of the School Council wrote to King Charles III to congratulate him on his Coronation, a special delivery arrived recently from King Charles and Queen Camilla. As you can see from the photos below, the children were really excited and proud to have received special acknowledgement from Buckingham Palace!

"We were deeply touched by your most kind and thoughtful message following our Coronation. We are enormously grateful to everyone who took part in the celebrations, and particularly appreciate that you so generously took the time to write to us on this very special occasion. Signed: "



White Rose Federation Art Showcase

So that you can book this date in your diaries, we announce that we will be hosting the above event which will be taking place on **Tuesday 11th July** at York Grand Opera House. Miss McNichol has found a venue to host a showcase event to show off our children's artwork from the summer term and we present: 'The White Rose Federation Art Showcase' as part of our curriculum redesign which will be held at York Opera House. We hope the children will be attending the showcase, displaying all of their hard work from the summer term, with their parents to see what we have been creating, from 5.00pm onwards. Further details will follow in our next newsletter.



Yorkshire Swan Rescue

On the last day before half-term, the School Council declared a non-uniform day to raise funds to support our local charity, Yorkshire Swan Rescue. You raised a generous £97.50 which has been very well received by Dan Sidley who runs the charity with a band of dedicated volunteers. Dan emailed to say **"We are very grateful and appreciative of the support of Barlow school in your fundraising efforts. Please accept our thanks for your recent non-school uniform day fundraiser - this is a huge help to the animals in our care!"** Dan also explained that it is their busiest time of the year, caring for sick and injured wild animals, so he is unable to join us in school at this moment in time. If you would like to see what Dan and his volunteers do, please visit the link <http://www.ysrh.org.uk/> **Many thanks from the School Council for your generous contributions.**





We are pleased to announce that so far your collection of bottle tops has reached the total of

10,295 earth tokens

To exchange our Earth Tokens for a Mud Kitchen (as chosen by the School Council) we need another

39,705 earth tokens

Another full box of bottle tops has just been collected, so we are getting closer and closer to our goal, so thank you for supporting this scheme and please continue to do so, until the Mud Kitchen is in our grasp. Just a reminder to send only **plastic bottle tops, sauce/shampoo tops and fabric conditioner tops, no large lids or metal please.**

GB Athlete Visit

We are very excited to be welcoming a top athlete, **Sean Gaffney** to our school on **Friday, 23 June 2023.**

Sean, an Invictus competitor will be leading a **sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils from Years Reception to 6** and will follow-up with an inspirational assembly, and question and answer session. The aim of the event is to **inspire the pupils** to be more physically active, but just as importantly, encourage them to discover and pursue their **passion in life.**



You can read more about Sean on his profile here - [Sean Gaffney - Sports for Schools](#)

The event will both connect the pupils to an extraordinary athlete role model and **raise money to improve physical activity** in the school, while also supporting both athletes and para-athletes, so that they can continue to inspire the next generation.

In book bags tonight, there will be a sponsorship form for your child to use to help raise money for the event. You can also sponsor your child by visiting: www.sportsforschools.org and clicking on the button "**Set up a Fundraiser Page**".

Please ensure that **sponsorship form and money** are returned to the school office by Friday, 30th June, or return your sponsorship form indicating that you would like the funds that you have raised to be added to ParentPay for you to pay personally.

Please also make sure that your children come to school on the event day **wearing** their PE Kits!

Thank you in anticipation of creating a terrific and memorable event.



Book Sale



Books

Class 1 have quite a large selection of unwanted but good quality books for sale. They will be displayed on a table outside Class 1 on Friday, 16th June from 3.15pm. There will be an honesty box for you to put your donated coins in which will go towards the BPASA funds. Please come and have a look.

BPASA News



The BPASA have created a Facebook page to be used to update parents on any BPASA events and to request donations from companies. They will not post any photos of children, unless they are children belonging to BPASA members. Please share the link below with grandparents and other family members who care for your children.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100093512257609&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

Cool Fundraising

From Friday, 16th June the BPASA will be selling ice lollies after school at a cost of 50 pence to £1 each. Purchases will be pre-paid on ParentPay to pay for the 5 weeks of ice lollies/ice pops in advance. Ice lollies/ice creams will be £1(£5 total), ice pops 50p (£2.50) total with all proceeds going towards BPASA funds. If your children attend Kids' Corner they will be included if you make a payment on ParentPay also.



Monday, 24th July 2023

As you will be aware this is the last day of our school year and all of our children are expected to attend. Our BPASA would like to mark this day with a family picnic, raffle and gift bag stall.

On this day the school dinner (as per the menus) will pizza, chips and beans and a shortbread biscuit for dessert. If your child normally has another menu choice of a panini, jacket potato or packed lunch on this day but they would like the pizza meal instead, please email Mrs Briggs on admin.barlow@wrfed.co.uk to advise. We welcome family members to bring a picnic and rug or chairs and come and join your children on the school field from 12.00pm to eat together. **Further details will follow nearer to the event.**

The BPASA have arranged for an Ice Cream Van to visit school at the time of the picnic with 20% of the sales from ice-creams being donated to the BPASA funds. A raffle and a Gift Bag Stall will also be facilitated by the BPASA, so any raffle prizes can be sent to school from now on until the event please. For the Gift Bag Stall, donations of gift bags and anything from toilet rolls to wine and sweets would be much appreciated to fill the bags which can also be sent into school from now onwards.

If any parent or carer is able to secure any prizes through personal contacts or via their workplace for any raffle or Gift Bag Stall donations then these would also be much appreciated.

Contact can be made to the BPASA at any time via their email address barlowpasa@outlook.com



Handy Link to School Forms

Please find the handy link below to some of the forms that you may need to complete for your child occasionally.



<https://www.barlowschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/media/files/administration-of-medication-record-form-med-2.pdf>

<https://www.barlowschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/media/files/admin-of-medicines-parent-permission.pdf>

https://www.barlowschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/media/files/holiday-request-form_0.pdf

And also please find the link below to the School Office link to all other necessary forms that you may need.

<https://www.barlowschool.org.uk/parents/school-office/consent-forms>



Good attendance is linked to success in all aspects of life!

Whole school attendance target is: **97 %**

The whole school attendance for the week: **98.3 %**

House	Percentage	Rank
Attenborough	96.9	4th
Kahlo	99.5	1st
Moore	99	2nd
Rashford	97.8	3rd

74 children in the 100% Club for the week!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E V Briggs,

Admin Assistant



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Please also refer to the Calendar page of our website for our full school calendars for the next 2 years: -

<https://www.barlowschool.org.uk/calendar/term-dates>

Friday, 23 rd June 2023	Sports for Schools Athlete Visit – Years 1 to 6
Monday, 26 th June 2023	Class 1 Open Afternoon for Nursery/Reception Parents and Children – 1.30pm to 3.00pm
Tuesday, 27 th June 2023	Federation Sports Day Year 3 – 6 at Barlow School – pupils only
Tuesday, 27 th June 2023	Reception Parents' Open Evening – 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Thursday, 29 th June 2023	Reception Children 1 st Visit to Class 1 – 9.15am to 10.30am (unaccompanied)
Wednesday 28 th – Friday, 30 th June 2023	Snaith School Transition Days for current Year 6 pupils
Thursday, 6 th July 2023	Reception Children 2 nd Visit to Class 1 – 9.15am to 11.45pm (Unaccompanied)
Tuesday, 11 th July 2023	The White Rose Federation Art Showcase - York Grand Opera House - 5.00pm onwards - further details to follow
Thursday, 13 th July 2023	Pupil Reports emailed to Parents via ScholarPack
Thursday 13 th July 2023	Reception Children 3 rd Visit to Class 1 and lunch – 9.15am to 1.10pm (Unaccompanied)
Monday, 17 th July 2023	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 2.00pm - 3.00pm Parents and Carers Welcome
Wednesday, 19 th July 2023	Crucial Crew – Federation Year 5 & 6
Wednesday, 19 th July 2023	Year 6 Leavers' Treat at Selby Superbowl - Afternoon
Monday, 24 th July 2023	Family Picnic – Parents & Carers Welcome - 12.00pm - 1.00pm
Tuesday, 25 th July 2023	School Closed for Training Day

New Dates Added

Important to remember

School Holiday Dates

*** Please note: We break for school at the end of the day on Monday 24th July which is a normal school day and all pupils should be in attendance.**



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