

One family branching out together

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Newsletter No 11

Dear Parents & Carers

We hope that you had an enjoyable Easter and that your children are rested and ready to embrace the Summer Term with enthusiasm. Unfortunately, we have had a lot of rain, so let's hope that the weather improves and is more favourable for summer outdoor activities. One such activity is Sports Day which is coming up in June, so please make a note in your diary from the calendar dates at the end of this newsletter. April is a great month for Meteor showers, one of which is the Lyrids meteor shower which appears from the 16th to the 26th April each year! At least it doesn't bring more rain. Please enjoy reading further to obtain the latest school information and to discover what has recently happened in our school lives.



Class Newsletters

Please find your child's class newsletters below for your information. Please keep a copy handy so that you know what is happening in class.



Class 1

[nursery-newsletter-summer-term-2024](#)

[reception-newsletter-summer-term-2024](#)

[year-one-newsletter-summer-term-2024](#)

Class 2

[class-2-newsletter-summer-term-2024](#)

Class 3

[Class 3 Newsletter Summer Term 2024](#)



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HEALTH & SAFETY MATTERS



Parking

Just a reminder that after 8.00am on a morning, parents are not permitted to use the Car Park to drop off children for either Kids' Corner or the normal school day. This is due to staff, delivery and contractor's vehicle arriving on site, so it is not safe for additional cars to be manoeuvring in this small space. We are sure that, for the safety of your children, you will all acknowledge and adhere to this request.



Please also refrain from U-turning in the Car Park entrance and anywhere in the front of school which can impact the safety of our children and other members of our school community. Many thanks for your cooperation in trying to make the start and end of school safe for everyone.

Please can parents ensure that this information is shared with every person who drops off or collects their children from school. Thank you.

Sun Cream

Thank you for completing and returning your sun cream permission letters to school. If you are amongst the very small minority of parents who have not yet returned your letters, please can you do so as a matter of urgency, to avoid your children having to stay indoors on sunny days. It may be raining a lot presently, but we need to be prepared for the sunny days ahead. Please remember to send your child's named sun cream into school NOW, if they are using their own and please also remember that ALL children need to have their sun cream applied daily BEFORE they attend school; we only provide top-up applications in school. **Thank you for your cooperation to keep your children sun safe.**



Online Safety Newsletter for April

Please find the latest Online Safety Newsletter (link below) for your information. This month the focus is around Cyberbullying - what it is, what to do if your child experiences this and further information. Also featured are tips regarding which new online games your child should avoid and information regarding TikTok which children under the age of 13 should not be able to access.

[online-safety-newsletter-april-2024_the-white-rose-federation_28-03-2024.pdf \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](https://barlowschool.org.uk/online-safety-newsletter-april-2024_the-white-rose-federation_28-03-2024.pdf)

NHS Go-To Website

The NHS have set up a new Go-To website which provides many resources for parents and professionals to access advice and support with your children's emotional wellbeing. Subjects and advice covered are:-

- As a parent or carer, how can I help?
- School Attendance Difficulties
- Under 5s
- 5 – 11 years
- Parenting Teenagers
- Young Parents and Carers
- Support for Self-harming Behaviour
- Adult Mental Health
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and Autism and Mental Health

[I'm a parent or carer - The Go-To | Mental Health in North Yorkshire \(thegoto.org.uk\)](https://thegoto.org.uk/)



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Healthier Together Website

Healthier Together is a new NHS website to help parents and carers make the best decisions about their children's health. Our advice is consistent and high-quality, developed by local health professionals.

You'll find clear information on common childhood illnesses, including advice on what 'red-flag' signs to look out for, where to seek help if required and how long your child's symptoms are likely to last.

[Visit the website today and whenever you're worried about your child.](#)



Growing Up in North Yorkshire Survey



Last week we sent a letter to parents of Year 5 and 6 children, outlining the details of a health-related behaviour survey that the children will be supervised to complete in school. This has been compiled to support the work of the Local Authority and Public Health and will be carried during the next month in school, unless parents email Mrs Briggs to advise that they DO NOT wish their child to take part. A copy of the survey is available from Mrs Briggs, at the request of parents.

Defibrillator

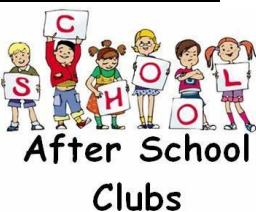
Recently, all schools have been given a defibrillator by the Local Authority, to be used either just for school, or to be registered and used by the local public. We are pleased to be able to say that Barlow's defibrillator is set up to be used for the school and for general public use, in case of emergency.

It is hoped that we never have to use it but, if necessary, the defibrillator is situated in the school office on top of the filing cabinet (marked with a green sticker)



AVAILABILITY - Term-time only, Monday to Friday, between 8.00am and 6.00pm.

After-School Clubs



Here's a reminder of the Afterschool Club which are available for this half-term. Please note that Football Club continues until the 2nd May and then Cricket Club starts for 5 weeks from the 9th May and there are still places available.

To confirm a place, payment must be made on ParentPay before the start date of each club. All places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If your child is ill or if school needs to cancel a club session, a refund for the session will be credited

to your ParentPay account at the end of the term.

Please note that in partnership with Kids' Corner, for children who would like to attend a club and then attend Kids' Corner afterwards there will be no cost for the after-school club. If this is the case for your child(ren), please book your places by emailing me directly and not via ParentPay. Please also advise Kids' Corner, so they know to expect your child into their care after the school club has finished. As a safeguarding measure, if your child is not attending a club that they have been booked into, on any occasion, please remember to either email Mrs Briggs, so that the Club Leader can be informed, or call into the Club when you collect your child at the end of school to let them know. Thank you.



Day	Club	Finish	Year	Cost	Information
Monday	Year 6 SATs Club (Mr Rich)	4.30pm	6	No charge	All Year 6 children to attend if possible. Last week Mon, 29th April
Monday	Dance Club (Miss Nunn & Miss Yeomans)	4.30pm	1 & 2 (limited to 10 places)	£4 per week	£20 via ParentPay (5 weeks), starts Monday 15 th April
Thursday	Football Club	4.30pm	2 to 6	Continued so no new bookings taken	From 11 th April to the 2 nd May
Thursday	Cricket Club (Miss Rasdale - First Steps Sport) PLACES AVAILABLE	4.30pm	2 to 6	£4.00	£20 (5 weeks from 9 th May to 13 th June)
Thursday	Cooking Club (Mrs Smith) PLACES AVAILABLE	4.30pm	3 to 6 (Please bring a 'takeaway' type container) Limited to 8 places available	£4 per week	£28 (7 weeks via ParentPay) includes cooking ingredients.



BPASA NEWS



Fundraising Jan to march 2024

£791.19 money raised through

- Easter Events**
- Mother's and Others Event**
- Easyfundraising purchasing (it's all free)**

What we've spent money on...

- £424.78 spent on football goals**
- £54.99 Wet and dry food Hoover for lunchtimes**
- We've contributed £200 towards the Magna School trip**

MAGNA



The BPASA would like as many children as possible to celebrate Random Act of Kindness Day with a competition. At the beginning of last week the children took home a tick-sheet for them to complete during April which should be returned to school by no later than Tuesday 30th April, so that the BPASA can allocate prizes at the beginning of May. Parents and Carers should benefit greatly from these kind acts which contain many tasks that are to be done in either the family home, or that of a loved one.

BPASA EasyFundraising

To add to the previous total of **£124.60**, a further **£126.19** has been raised totalling **£350.79** so thank you for your support, from Naomi, Maria, Charlotte, Fran and Leanne.



[Fundraising](#) | [Charity Fundraising Online](#) | [You Spend Online, Brands Donate](#) | [Easyfundraising](#)





RECENT EVENTS



Here are the links to our website containing recent events which took place just before we broke up for the Easter break.

[Comic Relief - March 2024 | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

[BPASA The Big Barlow Bake Off and Easter Raffle 2024 | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

[BPASA Easter Bonnet Competition 2024 | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

[Easter Film Club 2024 | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

[School Council Easter Egg Decoration Competition 2024 | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

Class 3 Interfaith Centre Visit – Wednesday, 20th March



The Federation Class 3 trip to the Interfaith Centre in Bradford was a fantastic experience for our pupils to take a tour around a Mosque and experience another culture and religion, face-to-face. During the visit, we were shown where and how people of the Muslim faith pray, including the Five Pillars of Islam and we experienced demonstrations of how people prepare themselves for prayer. We took part in an insightful discussion about the building itself. The children learnt why Muslims pray towards Mecca and we discussed why our guide was fasting at the point of our visit.

“It was really interesting. My mum was jealous because she has never been to a Mosque before!” - Bailey



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Federation Residential to Robinwood – 11th – 13th March



Our trip to Robinwood last term was a fantastic success. The pupils from across our Federation shone with their behaviour and manners. The children were busy from the moment that we got there, to the moment we left. Our pupils took part in a range of activities and challenges that were built around resilience, problem solving, teamwork and perseverance. The activities included climbing, caving, canoeing, archery, nightline, The Crate Challenge and many more activities that really pushed the children to challenge themselves throughout their experience. Ralphie has summed up the visit perfectly in his comment below, so what more can we ask for?

"The group of children that we took were outstanding. I have never had a group that jumped from the Trapeze first time before; every child pushed themselves to the limit. I am so proud of the way that the children conducted themselves throughout the day and in the evenings, they were all incredible," Mr Rich.

"This was the best trip I have ever been on!" - Ralphie



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Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

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

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

The whole school attendance for the week **97.5%**

House	Percentage	Rank
Attenborough	100	1st
Kahlo	99.3	2nd
Moore	99.3	2nd
Rashford	94.9	3rd

70 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: -

[School Term and Holiday Dates | Barlow Primary School \(barlowschool.org.uk\)](http://barlowschool.org.uk)

[NYC Term Dates 2023-2024](#)

[NYC Term Dates 2024-2025](#)

Tuesday, 16 th April 2024	Primary (Reception) National Offer Day
Friday, 19 th April 2024	PCSO Joe Spooner - Making Communities Safer - Federation Presentation - Yr 1 to 6
Tuesday, 23 rd April 2024	Mrs Hall & Twig Visiting - 9.00am - 11.00am
Thursday, 25 th April 2024	Tag Rugby Festival at Selby Rugby Club - Year 5 & 6 - 12.30pm - 2.30pm - parents welcome
Thursday, 2 nd May 2024	BPASA Committee Meeting - Barlow Village Club - All Welcome - 7.00pm
Monday, 6 th May 2024	School Closed - Bank Holiday
Thursday, 16 th May 2024	Census Day Menu - Roast dinner with vegetables and carrot cake - please advise any changes
Monday, 13 th - Friday, 17 th May 2024	KS2 SATs Tests and Year 6 invited for SATs Breakfast before school daily
Tuesday, 14 th May 2024	Mrs Hall & Twig Visiting - 9.00am - 11.00am
Monday, 20 th May 2024	Phototronics - Class, Individual and Siblings Group Photographs
Tuesday, 21 st May 2024	Open Morning for Prospective Nursery & Reception Children - 9.30am - 11.30am
Tuesday, 21 st May 2024	Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshop - Year 2, 5, 6
Wednesday, 22 nd May 2024	Federation Sports Day at Barlow - Year 3, 4, 5, 6 - 9.30am - 11.30am - Pupils only to attend
Friday, 24 th May 2024	School Closes for May Half-Term
Monday, 3 rd June 2024	School Opens - Summer Term 2
Friday, 7 th June 2024	Back-up Federation Sports Day at Barlow - Year 3, 4, 5, 6 - 9.30am - 11.30am
Between 3 rd & 14 th June 2024	Year 4 MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) Administered
Between 10 th & 14 th June 2024	Year 2 Phonics Screening
Thursday, 13 th June 2024	Sports Day - all Year Groups - 1.30pm - 3.00pm - families welcome
Tuesday, 18 th June 2024	Open Morning for Prospective Nursery & Reception Children - 9.30am - 11.30am
Tuesday, 25 th June 2024	Parents' Open Evening for those joining Reception in September - 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday, 26 th June 2024	1 st Visit - Reception New Starters visit unaccompanied in Class 1 - 9.15am to 10.30am
Thursday, 27 th June 2024	Back-up Sports Day - all Year Groups - 1.30pm - 3.00pm - families welcome
Wednesday, 3 rd July 2024	2 nd Visit - Reception New Starters visit unaccompanied in Class 1 - 9.15am to 11.45am
Wednesday, 3 rd July 2024	Summer Film Club - Rio (U rated) - Years R to Y6 - 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday, 10 th July 2024	3 rd Visit - Reception New Starters visit unaccompanied and staying for lunch in Class 1 - 9.15am to 1.10pm
W/C 8 th - 12 th July 2024	Brayton Academy Transition Week - Current Year 6 pupils to attend
Friday, 19 th July 2024	Menu Change - At the Beach - change to original menu - please advise Mrs Briggs
Friday, 19 th July 2024	School Closes for Summer Holidays
Monday, 22 nd July 2024	School Closed - Training Day

New Dates Added

Important to remember

School Holiday Dates



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