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One family branching out together

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Update from Mr Marshall, Federation RE Lead

In reflection of our distinctive Christian vision to represent 'one family branching out together,' the three schools in our Federation are working together to broaden the horizons of our pupils and introduce them to people of different faiths and cultures. Over the next year, we will be welcoming in visitors to the Federation who represent and champion different faiths and beliefs. These will include: a practising British Muslim, a Roman Catholic priest, a practising Hindu, a practising Sikh and a practising Buddhist. We are confident that these experiences will equip our pupils to show respect and understanding for people who are different from them.

Year 5/6 Residential Trip to France – 16th to 20th March 2020

We now have a fantastic 28 pupils who would like to go – 12 from Chapel Haddlesey, 9 from Burton Salmon and 7 from Barlow. We are sure that during the visit our children will make some lasting friendships with each other across the federation. For us to be able to confirm the booking and reserve the accommodation, we need all families to pay the £65 deposit payment on ParentPay by Monday of next week. **Your child will not have a place without this deposit payment being made.** If your child would still like to attend, please contact Mrs Briggs before the deposit is due.

To find out more information, please follow the link

<https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/primary-schools/centres/chateau-du-tertre>

Hope's Bun and Bow Sale

On Tuesday 22nd October, Hope in Class 2 will be selling buns and bows that she has been carefully making at home to raise money and raise awareness for Shine, a charity that is very close to her heart. Hope will be selling her buns and bows at playtime and after school. She will be talking to her classmates about spina bifida in general and how the condition affects her personally. All proceeds are going to be donated to www.shinecharity.org.uk Buns will cost 50 pence each and the various bows will range from £1 to £2.50, so please send your child into school with cash if you think that they would like to make a purchase.

Roast Dinner Day

Miss Godfrey-Davies will be cooking roast chicken instead of minced beef on Wednesday 23rd October. Please let the office know if your child would like this school dinner, if they normally have a packed lunch or jacket potato.



Bonfire Day School Dinner Menu

On Tuesday 5th November, we will be having a 'Bonfire menu' for school dinner. Miss Godfrey-Davies, our fab cook, will be providing a celebratory meal of hot dogs, chips, peas and sweetcorn with a toffee apple style pudding and custard. Please let the office know if your child would like to choose this option instead (if they normally have packed lunches or jacket potatoes). Thank you.

Facebook

A new Facebook account has been activated for Barlow School, 'like' it and you will be able to follow all school events.



NHS Healthy Child Programme – Reception Year

Parents and Carers of children in the Reception Year have recently had letters sent home from the NHS Healthy Child Team requesting you to go online on <https://fx.hdft.nhs.uk/ReceptionHealth/Form1> and enter the code 121548 and 'Find School'. Here you are requested to complete a health screening questionnaire as soon as possible. If you **do not** wish your child to be screened for height, weight and vision then please email Children&families@northyorks.gov.uk or telephone 01609 780780, stating your child's name, date of birth and school of attendance.

NHS Healthy Child Programme – Year 6

Parents and Carers of children in Year 6 have recently had letters sent home from the NHS Healthy Child Team requesting you to go online on <https://fx.hdft.nhs.uk/Year6HealthParent/Form1#!Page1> and enter the code 121548 and 'Find School'. Here you are requested to complete a health screening questionnaire by **Wednesday 30th October 2019**. If you **do not** wish your child to take part in the health screening then please email Children&families@northyorks.gov.uk or telephone 01609 780780, stating your child's name, date of birth and school of attendance.

Secondary School Applications

Letters of Parents and Carers of children in Year 6 were recently had letters sent home with instructions and a link to follow to apply for a secondary school place for September 2020.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions>

To ensure that you are allocated the secondary school of your choice, applications need to be made by no later than Thursday 31st October 2019.

School Photographs

I hope you are all pleased with the photograph proofs which you received of your children; the children looked fantastic on the day and managed to stay clean and tidy for the occasion which is quite an achievement in school. Please note that photograph proofs need to be returned to school (in the plastic envelope provided with cash or card details completed on the form) by no later than the end of the day on Wednesday 23rd October. Your completed orders will be collected by Phototronics and the completed orders will be sent back to school for you after half-term.

Bag2School

Collection bags for Bag2School will be sent home at the end of next week for all those who would like to de-clutter over the half-term. Bags need to be dropped off in the school hall by end of the day on Thursday 14th November. Details of the items that can be donated can be found on the bag label. Please visit www.bag2school.com for further information about the charity.



Cross Country

The Selby area final was run on Wednesday 9th October at Selby college and the federation was represented by twenty-three pupils across years 3 to 6, with a good mix of boys and girls. All pupils performed to the best of their ability in some very hard races; the competition was tough with everyone reaching for that 'top 8' spot to represent Selby in the North Yorkshire Final. A special mention must go to Jack B as he achieved one of the top 8 places mentioned above. He will now represent Selby and the federation on the 5th November at Dalby Forest near Pickering.

Congratulations to Jack and well done to everyone else for showing such endurance whilst taking part in the cross country events.

Drug-ed4children – Year 5 & 6

On Friday, 11th October John Day from the charity 'Drug-ed4children' presented a lesson to our Year 5 and 6 children. The presentation was patiently received by the children who were able to pose questions about the subjects presented which included drugs, alcohol and citizenship learning, thus empowering children and young people to make their own positive and informed choices.

National Mental Health Awareness Day

Thank you for all of your contributions towards National Mental Health Awareness day on Friday 10th October which raised £49.60 for Young Minds.

Selby and District Foodbank

Just a reminder that a Harvest Festival approaches, we will be collecting 'shopping list' items for Selby & District Foodbank who are working together with communities to tackle poverty and transforming lives in Selby and the surrounding area. We have a very generous school community at Barlow, so I'm sure we will have an excellent collection of the following items which will be gratefully received:-

Cereal, long-life milk or juice, tinned vegetables, tea, coffee, juice, squash, biscuits, hot/cold tinned meats, tinned spaghetti/rice/custard, pasta, rice and toiletries.

Our collection point will be marked in the school library area and the closing date for items to be donated will be Friday 25th October at 9.00am.

Outstanding payments on ParentPay

Please could parents and carers ensure that any outstanding ParentPay debts are cleared before Wednesday 23rd October. Across the federation, there is an agreed maximum debt per child, which is £30.00. This includes any school dinner, trip, and breakfast club payments. Within ParentPay there is the facility to pre-load your Parent account with a credit balance, in order that you can make payments for items in advance. To do this, just select the payment item and choose how much you would like to add. The cash will be debited from your bank account at that time but will sit within your ParentPay credit balance to be debited each time your child has a lunch or attends a breakfast club.

Afterschool Clubs

A letter will go out at the end of next week, before we break up for half-term with a list of clubs for the next half-term.

Thanks go to our volunteers

Thank you to Sophia Rhodes' Mum, Aristy who has started coming into school to help children in Class 1 with their reading on a Monday morning. Also thanks to Mrs McBride who has started volunteering in school on a Thursday and Friday. Please contact Mrs Briggs if you would like more information regarding volunteering in school.



Laura, Mia and Elenor's Mum, has been helping with the school library until recently. It is good news that her work commitments have increased, but unfortunately she no longer has time to listen to readers and be our school librarian. We thank her for the time that she spent helping the children to change their library books. If you or any member of your family have a free hour one afternoon to help the children change their library books, we would be really interested in your help.

Uniform

Please can you ensure your children are wearing the correct school uniform. Oversized bows, themed headbands, nail polish and trainers are starting to sneak themselves into school again. Lovely though they may be, they are not school uniform and there have been some broken and damaged items as part of the wear and tear of the school day. Please also note that earrings should be studs only, and should be removed or taped over for PE.

Spam Mail

Please be mindful that we diligently acknowledge all email correspondence within the day of receipt, so if you have sent an email to school and you have not had a response, your email may well have gone into our 'spam' box. Therefore if you ever send an email to school and do not receive a response within the same day please contact the school office, so that the 'spam' folder can be checked.

Halloween and Bonfire Night Safety Talk

On Thursday 17th October we were visited by PCSO's Tracey Wright and Anne Newbould from North Yorkshire Police. The PCSO's delivered safety talks to all of our children surrounding the upcoming exciting events of Halloween and Bonfire night and how to keep themselves safe whilst respecting their neighbours. The children were able to ask the PCSO's questions at the end of their talk too.



Message from the Local Police Safeguarding Officer

For those of you have been to one of my presentations, you will note the importance I place on protecting your home phone. Nearly 50% of all frauds reported to North Yorkshire Police, the initial contact between the fraudster and victim is via the telephone. You would not dream of going off leaving your house or car without making sure it was secure, so in this day and age why would you have a telephone that does not have call screening or call blocking functions? I am very familiar with this device and know how effective it is at blocking unwanted calls. See below for details on how to apply. This message was sent to school from Andy Fox - Financial Abuse Safeguarding Officer, North Yorkshire Police. Put a stop to these calls and become #ScamAware with a free trueCall call blocker from Friends Against Scams! Apply today at: www.FriendsAgainstScams.org.uk/CallBlocker

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Hugill
Head of School



Diary Dates

Monday 21 st October	• Open Day for Prospective Families – 9.15am until 11.30am
Tuesday 22 nd October	• Spina Bifida Awareness Day – Hope in Class 2 to sell buns and bows at playtime and after school
Wednesday 23 rd October	• National Roast Dinner Day
Wednesday 23 rd October	• Year 1 Hearing Tests (Healthy Child Team)
Wednesday 23 rd October	• Harvest Festival Collective Worship – 3.00pm Parents/Carers welcome
Friday 25 th October	• Non-Uniform Day (NSPCC)
Friday 25 th October	• Selby & District Food Bank Harvest Appeal Food Collection – 9.00am
Friday 25 th October	• Break up for half term
Thursday 31 st October	• Deadline for Year 6 Parents/Carers to apply for High School places
Monday 4 th November	• Back to school
Monday 11 th November	• Class 2 Parents'/Carers' Evening – 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Tuesday 12 th November	• Class 1 and Class 2 Parents'/Carers' Evening – 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Wednesday 13 th November	• Class 1 and Class 2 Parents'/Carers' Evening – 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 14 th November	• Flu immunisation – Year Reception to Year 6 (If permission obtained)
Friday 15 th November	• Bags2School clothing collection – 9.00am
Tuesday 19 th November	• Year 6 SATs Information Evening – 5.30pm until 6.30pm
Saturday 30 th November	• CHAPS Christmas Fayre at Chapel Haddlesey
Thursday 5 th December	• Christmas Crafts Open Day for Prospective Families and pre-schoolers from Kids Korner – 9.15am until 11.30am
Tuesday 10 th December	• Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 11 th December	• Christmas Production – Barlow Village Club - 2.30pm and 6.00pm
Thursday 12 th December	• Christmas Production – Barlow Village Club - 6.00pm
Wednesday 18 th December	• Christmas Collective Worship – Parent/Carers welcome
Friday 20 th December	• Non-Uniform Day – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 20 th December	• Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 7 th January	• Back to school
Tuesday 7 th January	• Young Voices – Sheffield Arena – Year 3 to 6
Friday 14 th February	• Break up for half term
Friday 14 th February	• Non-Uniform Day – Melanoma UK
Monday 24 rd February	• Back to school
Monday 16 th – 20 th March	• Year 5/6 Federation residential trip to Chateau du Tertre, Normandy
Friday 3 rd April	• Break up for Easter
Tuesday 21 st April	• Back to school
Friday 8 th May	• May Day holiday – revised date
Friday 22 nd May	• Break up for half term
Monday 1 st June	• Back to school
Friday 17 th July	• Break up for Summer

