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*One family, branching out together*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you have all had a peaceful and restful half-term and the children are eager and ready to engage in the exciting range of curriculum and non-curriculum activities that we have planned for the next half term. I hope that you have managed to visit our fantastic new website which is available to download as a web app via your personal smart phone, tablet, or other mobile device:-

**[www.barlowschool.org.uk](http://www.barlowschool.org.uk)**

#### How to Install the Web App

You can install the school's parental web app 'School PWA' on your smart phone, without going through the app store.

To install on iPhone and iPad:

1. View the website in Safari
2. Tap the 'share' button
3. Add it to your home screen

To install on Android

1. View the website in Chrome
2. Tap the menu icon
3. Add it to your home screen



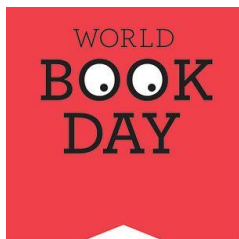
You can also uninstall School PWA at any time.

#### Castle Museum Visit

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March our Year 1 and 2 children will be visiting the Castle Museum with the children from Chapel Haddlesey. The visit will complement the topic that they are learning about this term 'Britain: Then and Now'. Please visit <https://www.yorkcastlemuseum.org.uk/visitor-information/> for further information. The children will have a packed lunch provided by the school and will need to bring a named bottle of water with them. They will also need to wear their school uniform, including sensible shoes and bring a coat. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £9.00 which is available to pay on ParentPay. No child will be excluded from the visit for non-payment but the school needs to receive sufficient voluntary contributions to enable the visit to take place. Thank you for all payments received to date.



### World Book Day



A reminder that Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March is World Book Day. Children can dress as their favourite book character on this day and we will be taking a special look at poems and performance poetry in school. If your child doesn't want to dress up, then they are able to come in non-uniform. Please encourage your child to bring in their favourite poem (or Class 1 children to bring in their favourite nursery rhyme) to be shared with their classmates. Every child will be given a World Book Day Token that can be used in participating bookshops. Please note that we will NOT be collecting donations for charity for this event.

### Swimming Lessons

A reminder that the second block of swimming lessons begins on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March for 4 weeks (please refer to the calendar). As a bonus we take our children's swimming lessons from Year 2, as schools only have a requirement to take children in Year 6 to fulfil part of their SATs. Please be reminded that the voluntary contribution of £5 per week can be made on ParentPay. A big thank you to all who have paid for their child(ren)'s swimming lessons so far.



### Voluntary Contributions

Although contributions for swimming and trips are voluntary, if we don't receive enough income by way of voluntary contributions, funds which are allocated for other curriculum and non-curriculum events has to be allocated instead which reduces the numbers of events that we can book for the children's enjoyment and educational enhancement in school.



### Mother's Day Lunch

Following on from the success of last year, on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March, Miss Godfrey-Davies will be cooking a mouth-watering Mother's Day lunch of pasta bolognese with a pudding of chocolate cake and custard. There will be a vegetarian option of a jacket potato with beans or cheese, or cheese panini. The meal will cost a very reasonable £3.50 and will be available to pay through ParentPay. Please complete and return the letter which will be coming home with your child(ren), if you would like to join us for this event.



### Easter Bake Off Competition

Our staff and children are invited to take part in a bake off to be judged on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. To take part in the competition, participants need to bake either 6 biscuits or 6 cupcakes and bring them to school on the morning of the bake off.



### Easter Egg Competition

On the same day at the Easter Bake Off, we will be running a competition for all of our children to decorate a boiled egg and place it into a decorated 'mini Easter garden'. The mini Easter gardens should be brought into school on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to be judged with prizes being awarded to one child from each class with the best decorated mini Easter Garden.

### Breakfast Club

Please be reminded that Breakfast Club is always available to use in case of an emergency without booking. However, wherever possible please book your children into Breakfast Club in advance, to enable Ms Hargreaves provide the necessary ingredients and breakfast cereals for the children attending. Fuel Up Friday breakfasts are only available if booked by Thursday lunchtimes. Please book Breakfast Club or Fuel Up Friday places by contacting Mrs Briggs. Thank you for your support.



### Myeloma Appeal

On the 14<sup>th</sup> February the School, we supported the Welsh family in raising £57 for this fantastic charity. The children and staff wore orange for the day and the children made badges to raise awareness of Myeloma. Thank you from Halle and her family for your support which was much appreciated.



### Quicksticks

#### Hockey Tournament

On Tuesday our Year 4 pupils attended a Quicksticks Hockey tournament at the Holy Family School, Carlton. They played against 5 other teams, winning all of their matches, coming out overall winners of the competition. They played with determination, outstanding teamwork and sportsmanship. Their behaviour, manners and attitude were remarkable, making Mrs Hall extremely proud of them. A huge round of applause to all of the children who attended and to Mrs Hall, for her excellent coaching skills.

Our winning team will now attend the finals during the afternoon of Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at Read school, Drax. We wish them the best of luck. **Please can parents and carers ensure that the children have a gum shield and shin guards to attend this match.**



### Uniform

Classroom Clothing, our uniform provider in Selby are in the process of moving their shop to the other side of the road but they will be working to full capacity again next week and are very welcoming to parents and carers are happy for you to call in and try any uniform items on to gauge sizings.

We now also have an online uniform ordering service called <https://myclothing.com>

My Clothing supply our full range of uniform, book and PE bags at a competitive price. You can order and pay for uniform items online and they are delivered directly to your door.



### Christian Values

We have been working with all of our children regarding Christian Values and what these mean to us as individuals and as a school. Children are awarded Christian Values stickers in school if they have demonstrated use of one of the following values:-

Community, Compassion, Courage, Forgiveness, Friendship, Joy, Dignity, Generosity, Justice, Perseverance, Respect, Peace, Hope, Service, Thankfulness, Trust, Truthfulness, Wisdom.

Yours sincerely

Mrs F Lofthouse  
Head of School



## Diary Dates

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> , 18 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> March, 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swimming Lessons Block 2 – Years 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 – Abbey Leisure Centre</li> </ul>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roman Day – Class 2 and 3 – All day</li> </ul>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 1 and 2 – Castle Museum Visit – All day</li> </ul>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Book Day - Non Uniform or Dress as a Book Character - no donations</li> </ul>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twigs and Sprigs Willow Weaving – Year 5/6</li> </ul>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting for Parents/Carers – 3.45pm – 4.15pm</li> </ul>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Relief Week – details to be confirmed</li> </ul>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 5/6 Federation Teams – Debating Competition at Selby District Council Chambers – 10.00am – 12.00pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quicksticks Hockey Final at Read School, Drax – Year 4 – 1.00pm – 2.45pm</li> </ul>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twigs and Sprigs Willow Weaving – Year 3/4</li> </ul>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Road Safety Awareness Assembly – Parents/Carers invited – 3.00pm</li> </ul>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS1 SATs Meeting for Parents/Carers – 3.45pm – 4.15pm</li> </ul>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 5/6 Federation residential trip to Chateau du Tertre, Normandy</li> </ul>
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Lunch</li> </ul>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Bake Off Competition – Children and Staff</li> </ul>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mother's Day Lunch – Mothers welcome</li> </ul>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Service – all welcome – 2.30pm</li> </ul>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Easter</li> </ul>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cricket Day – details to be confirmed</li> </ul>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VE Day Anniversary Lunch – Grandparents invited</li> </ul>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May Day holiday – revised date</li> </ul>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for half term</li> </ul>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to school</li> </ul>
Tuesday 2nd June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Dan Circus Man – Skipping Workshops – Whole School – Full day</li> </ul>
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fathers' Day Lunch - Fathers invited</li> </ul>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leavers' Lunch - picnic, Parents/Carers invited</li> </ul>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Summer</li> </ul>

New dates added

