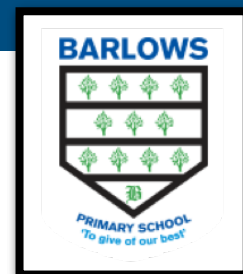


Barlows Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a pleasure to welcome our pupils, families and staff back to school this term. I hope you managed to find some time to relax during the summer holidays and enjoy the sunshine with your family. The children all look wonderful in their school uniform and have been settling in well with their new class teachers and class routines.

We held our first assembly last week using our new current affairs resource, Picture News. During the assembly, the children explored the life and achievements of tennis superstars, Serena Williams and Roger Federer, while focussing on the theme of aiming high and giving of our best. The children offered many fantastic contributions to the assembly discussion including how they can both try their best and encourage others during the year ahead.

The staff returned prior to the children, to undertake curriculum training during our INSET days. The training focussed on the development of the CUSP curriculum units of work and new English texts and resources. Mrs Taylor, our new English Lead, has been busy ensuring the pupils have everything they need to get off to a great start in English this year. We look forward to sharing our curriculum developments and highlights with you, as the year progresses.

To help parents and carers plan ahead, we have included a range of dates for the Autumn Term. These are the main events we know parents and carers may want to plan ahead for and include: Parents' Evenings, Christmas Plays, Christmas dinner day, Parent workshops and more. There may be further event dates added as the term progresses. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events which start with our Meet the Team sessions (wc 25/09/23).

Yours sincerely
Miss S.Feenan
Headteacher

Autumn Term Dates

The Autumn Term dates are as follows:

Autumn 1 Term:
05/09/23 - 27/10/23

Autumn 2 Term:
06/11/23 - 21/12/23

Pupils will be welcomed back to school after the Christmas break on 08/01/24.

Reception Applications Deadline

The application process for Reception places starting in September 2024 closes on **January 15th 2024**. Applications should be made through the council website for your home address. You can find out which website to use on the following link:
<https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-primary-school-place>

Year 6

Liverpool Secondary School Application Deadline

A reminder that the Year 6 to Year 7 admissions transfer application window is open. The window will close at 11:59pm on 31/10/23.



Please ensure you have applied for your child's secondary school place (current Year 6 pupils only) by 11:59pm on 31/10/23.

Applications are to be made using the link below:
www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions

September 2023

Children's University

Children's University Clubs

Children's University Clubs will begin week commencing 25/09/23 and will run until the end of this half term (Friday 27/10/23).



As part of our Children's University, we are offering a range of extra-curricular school activities. These are delivered by our School staff, who kindly give up their time to provide extra opportunities for the pupils to extend their knowledge and experiences.

Places for each activity are limited and therefore it is important that you inform us if your child no longer wishes to access the place they have been offered. This is to ensure it can be offered to another pupil on the waiting list.

Please be aware that when children put themselves forward for an after school activity, they will not be guaranteed a place unless they receive a letter. We do monitor the club places to ensure we offer places as fairly as possible for all pupils throughout the year.

A copy of this half term's clubs has been included below for your information, individual letters will follow this week.

Barlows Primary School Children's University Clubs - Autumn 1 2023



	MONDAY	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	SESSION DATES Monday 25/09/23 Monday 02/10/23 Monday 09/10/23 Monday 16/10/23 Monday 23/10/23	SESSION DATES Tuesday 26/09/23 Tuesday 03/10/23 Tuesday 10/10/23 Tuesday 17/10/23 Tuesday 24/10/23	SESSION DATES Wednesday 27/09/23 Wednesday 04/10/23 Wednesday 11/10/23 Wednesday 18/10/23 Wednesday 25/10/23	SESSION DATES Thursday 28/09/23 Thursday 05/10/23 Thursday 12/10/23 Thursday 19/10/23 Thursday 26/10/23	SESSION DATES Friday 29/09/23 Friday 06/10/23 Friday 13/10/23 Friday 20/10/23 Friday 27/10/23
YEAR 1	Children's University Clubs for Year 1 begin in the Spring Term				
YEAR 2	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y2 Board Game Making Club Mrs Mwasile			3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y2 & Y3 Multisports Club Miss Bakstad	
YEAR 3	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y2 & Y3 Book Club Mrs Berry			3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y3,4,5,6 Choir Club Miss Murphy	Lunchtime Club Y3 & Y4 Boys' Football Mr Mattocks Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag
YEAR 4	Lunchtime Club Y4, 5 & 6 Girls' Football Mr Mattocks & Miss Feenan Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag		3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y4,5,6 Performing Arts Club Mrs Lawrence, Miss Kelly & Mrs Fox	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y3,4,5,6 Choir Club Miss Murphy	Lunchtime Club Y3 & Y4 Boys' Football Mr Mattocks Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag
YEAR 5	Lunchtime Club Y4, 5 & 6 Girls' Football Mr Mattocks & Miss Feenan Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag		3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y4,5,6 Performing Arts Club Mrs Lawrence, Miss Kelly & Mrs Fox	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y3,4,5,6 Choir Club Miss Murphy	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y5/6 Boys Football Club Mr Mattocks Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag
YEAR 6	Lunchtime Club Y4, 5 & 6 Girls' Football Mr Mattocks & Miss Feenan Kit needed: Football Boots, Shin Pads, Jogging Bottoms in a small bag		3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y4,5,6 Performing Arts Club Mrs Lawrence, Miss Kelly & Mrs Fox	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y3,4,5,6 Choir Club Miss Murphy	3:30pm-4:30pm Club Y5 & 6 Badminton Club Miss Middleton

Events for September

Meet the Team Sessions - WC 25th September 2023



Following the introduction of 'Meet the Team' sessions for parents and carers last year, we will be running these again this year as follows. All sessions will take place in the school hall.

Monday 25/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 3 (Year 6, Year 5 and Year 4)

Wednesday 27/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 2 (Year 3 and Year 2)

Thursday 28/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 1 (Year 1, Reception & Nursery)

The sessions are an opportunity to hear a short presentation from the Phase Lead and to meet the year group teachers and support staff. Miss Bakstad, SENDCO, will also be present, should you have any SEND specific enquiries.

School Photographs 29th September 2023



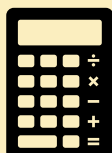
Save the date! School Photographs will take place on Friday 29/09/23.

Our Senior Admin, Mrs Janette Roberts will send you further information in due course regarding ordering and any arrangements for the day relating to sibling photographs.

Liverpool Maths Day 29th September 2023

On 29/09/23, we will be joining Liverpool schools in celebrating Liverpool Maths Day, organised by Liverpool Learning Partnership.

The event will be organised by our new Maths Lead, Miss Davis, and will involve pupils creating their own Maths games in class for example 'Top Trumps' with a mathematical focus.



CGP Books - Available to view Week Commencing 25th September 2023

We often receive enquiries from parents/carers asking if there are any books they can purchase to support their child with their learning.

As a school, we are able to order CGP Primary workbooks on your behalf at a significant discount, if this is something you are interested in. The school is able to order the discounted price only available to schools. Please note, the school does not make any profit from any of the orders placed.

(Further information can be found at <https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk>).

The purchase of these books is completely optional and not expected.

An order form will be sent out, in order for you to place your order. The books will be available to view at the Meet the Teacher sessions as follows:

Monday 25/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 3 (Year 6, Year 5 and Year 4)

Wednesday 26/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 2 (Year 3 and Year 2)

Thursday 27/09/23 - 3:40pm-4:30pm

Phase 1 (Year 1, Reception & Nursery)



Events for October

Phonics Parent Workshops



Miss Evans, our Early Reading and Phonics Lead will be running parent workshops on Phonics.

The sessions will run in the school hall as follows:

Thursday 12/10/23 - Reception
Thursday 19/10/23 - Year 1 & Year 2

The sessions offer parents and carers an opportunity to gain an understand of how Phonics and Early reading is taught at Barlows Primary School.

You will also learn more about how you can help your child at home, including how to access support materials.

Year 6 Residential to Robin Wood



Following parental consultation, our Year 6 residential will take place between 04/10/23 - 16/10/23 this year at Robin Wood Activity Centre in Wrexham.

The trip is being organised by Mrs Taylor, who will be happy to answer any queries you may have. Ms Collette Moon, our Admin Assistant will be happy to assist with any payment queries.

Children's University Assembly Monday 2nd October 2023



Children will welcome colleagues from Children's University in to school to relaunch the initiative for this academic year in a special assembly.

During the assembly, pupils will learn about the exciting opportunities available to them for learning outside of the classroom in our local area and within the wider city.

Children's University Parent Session Monday 2nd October 2023



Parents and carers are invited to join us in an after school meeting, with representatives from Children's University, to find out more about the initiative.

Parents will find out how their child can gain credits in their 'Passport to Learning' and how to access information on extra-curricular activities across Liverpool and further afield.

Scholastic Book Fair



The scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Barlows on week commencing 10/10/23. This is being led by our English Lead, Mrs Taylor

There will be over 200 books at the book fair for all reading levels and interests. Payment will be accessible at the book fair using an online payment link.

We hope you can join us at one of the following sessions

Our English Lead, Mrs Taylor, and Early Reading & Phonics Lead, Miss Evans, have booked

Tuesday 10/10/23 Nursery & Reception
Wednesday 11/10/23 Year 1 & Year 2
Thursday 12/10/23 Year 3 & Year 4
Friday 13/10/32 Year 5 & Year 6

Early Years Stay and Play

Our Reception and Nursery teams look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our October Stay and Play sessions:

Reception:
Thursday 19th October 2023 9am-10am

Nursery:
Thursday 19th October 2023 9am-10am
Thursday 19th October 2023 2:30pm-3:30pm

We kindly ask that only adults attend these sessions as we are unable to accommodate for children who are not pupils of the school.



Events for October

SEND Parent / Carer Meetings with SENDCO - IEPs (Individual Education Plans) Week Commencing 02/10/23 & 09/10/23

As part of our developments in SEND, Miss Bakstad (SENDCO) will be offering each family with a pupil on the SEND register, an appointment to discuss their child's IEP (Individual Education Plan) which forms part of their SEND provision.

Appointments are available as follows:

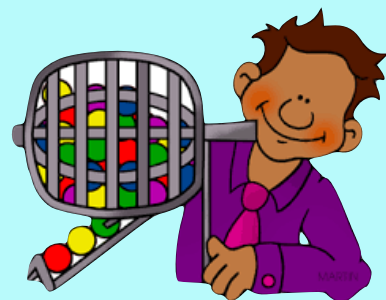
Monday 2nd October: 8:00am - 8:45am & 3:30pm - 7:15pm
Tuesday 3rd October: 8:00am - 8:45am
Wednesday 4th October: 8:00am - 8:45am & 3:30pm - 7:15pm
Thursday 5th October: 8:00am - 8:45am & 3:30pm - 7:15pm
Monday 9th October: 8:00am - 8:45am
Tuesday 10th October: 8:00am - 8:45am
Wednesday 11th October: 8:00am - 8:45am
Thursday 12th October: 8:00am - 8:45am

You will be sent a link through ParentMail to book your appointment in the coming days.

Times Tables Bingo! Monday 16th October 2023

Families with pupils in Year 2 to Year 6 are invited to join us for Times Tables Bingo! The event, led by our new Maths lead (Miss Davis), will be held in the school hall from 3:45pm-4:15pm on Monday 16/10/23.

There will be lots of opportunities for stickers and small prizes as we develop our knowledge of the multiplication tables together!



Flu Vaccinations Monday 9th October 2023

The Merseyside NHS Vaccination and Immunisation team will join us in school on Monday the 9th October. This is the first year that Nursery pupils are also included in the initiative, so the offer is available to all of our pupils.

Further information around this will be sent out in the coming days via ParentMail.

Please complete the form on the following link, even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine:
<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

Events for October - Halloween

Pumpkin Carving Competition Thursday 26th October 2023

Are you an expert at pumpkin carving or are keen to have a go? Get involved in our Pumpkin carving competition!

How to enter

To get involved and enter the competition, send your carved pumpkin in to school **on Thursday 26th October 2023** with your **£1 entry fee**. As part of your £1 entry fee, we will provide you with a battery operated tea light to go inside your pumpkin.

Please remember to include your child's name and class with their pumpkin.



Come and see the entries

The pumpkins will be put on display in the school hall, ready for you to view from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. (Pumpkins can then be taken home on the Friday).

Certificates

Certificates will be awarded for each entry so remember to include your name or family name if it is a group effort!

Voting

At the viewing (Thursday 26/10/23 3:30pm-5:30pm) you will be given a slip of paper to vote for your favourite designs. The winner will be revealed in assembly on Friday 27/10/23.

All entries will be entered into a prize draw that will be drawn with the children on Friday 27/10/23.

Halloween Disco - Reception, Year 1 Friday 27/10/23

As part of our fundraising activities we will be holding a halloween disco for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 on Friday 27/10/23, 4:30pm-5:30pm.

Entry is £1 per pupil - Fancy dress is welcome but not essential.

A tuck shop will be available - maximum spend £1



Halloween Disco - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Friday 27/10/23

As part of our fundraising activities we will be holding a halloween disco for Y3,4,5 & 6 on Friday 27/10/23, 5:30pm-7:00pm

Entry is £1 per pupil - Fancy dress is welcome but not essential.

A tuck shop will be available - maximum spend £2



October Competitions

Design a Christmas Card for Metro Mayor of Liverpool City Region, Steve Rotheram Submit to school by 9am on 06/10/23

We are delighted to have been invited to take part in the Metro Mayor of Liverpool's 'Design a Christmas Card Competition.

Children are invited to create their design for the Christmas Card. Children may wish to consider how to capture

"all six of the Liverpool City Region's boroughs, its culture, its stunning assets and the mood of the season" in their design

Designs should be A4 and cannot contain elements such as tinsel, real baubles etc as they will need to be scanned.

Designs must contain the following information on the reverse of the design:

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

School: Barlows Primary School

All designs should be submitted to school no later than 9am on Friday 06/10/23.



Design a Christmas Card for MP, Dan Carden Submit to school by 9am on 20/10/23

We are delighted to have been invited to take part in Dan Carden MP's 'design a Christmas Card Competition.

Children are invited to create their design, which if selected, will become MP Dan Carden's Christmas Card for 2023.

Designs can be in the format of a drawing, painting, collage, or something else!

Designs must contain the following information on the reverse of the design:

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

School: Barlows Primary School

All designs should be submitted to school no later than 9am on Friday 20/10/23.



Events for November

Parents' Evenings - Autumn Term

The Autumn Term Parents' Evenings will take place as follows:

Monday 06/11/23	Tuesday 07/11/23	Wednesday 08/11/23	Thursday 09/11/23
Appointments available from 3:50pm - 7:30pm	Appointments available from 3:50pm - 7:30pm	Appointments available from 3:50pm - 7:30pm	Appointments available from 3:50pm - 7:30pm
Y6 Miss Davis & Mrs Taylor Y5 Mrs Berry Y4 Mia Grrington-Miller Y3 Miss Middleton Y2 Mrs Farrell Y1 Miss Murphy Reception Miss Evans Nursery Mrs Mwasile	Y6 Mr Lauder & Mrs Taylor Y5 Miss Ward Y4 Mrs Clemson Y3 Mrs Lawrence Y2 Miss Kelly Y1 Miss Hamilton Reception Mrs Duffield	Y6 Miss Davis & Mrs Taylor Y5 Mrs Berry Y4 Mia Grrington-Miller Y3 Miss Middleton Y2 Mrs Farrell Y1 Miss Murphy Reception Miss Evans Nursery Mrs Mwasile	Y6 Mr Lauder & Mrs Taylor Y5 Miss Ward Y4 Mrs Clemson Y3 Mrs Lawrence Y2 Miss Kelly Y1 Miss Hamilton Reception Mrs Duffield

Further information regarding how to book will follow.

Into Film Festival Cinema Trips

We have been fortunate enough to secure some free cinema trips for pupils in Year 2,3,4,5 and 6 again this year. The trips will take place as follows with many places available for parents/carers to attend with us. Further details will follow.

Year 2

08/11/23 - Trolls 3 at Vue Birkenhead

16/11/23 - Paw Patrol: the Mighty Movie at The Odeon Liverpool One

Year 3

07/11/23 - Minions: The Rise of Gru at Vue Birkenhead

10/11/23 - Super Mario Bros at Vue Birkenhead

Year 4

14/11/23 - Minions: The Rise of Gru at Light Cinema New Brighton

20/11/23 - Lyle Lyle Crocodile at Liverpool Odeon

Year 5

09/11/23 - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem at Vue Birkenhead

21/11/23 - Epic Tails at Odeon Liverpool One

23/11/23 - Puss in Boots: the Last Wish at Odeon Liverpool One

Year 6

08/11/23 - Elemental at Liverpool Picturehouse @ Fact

09/11/23 - Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical at Vue Birkenhead



Events for November



Children in Need

Fridays 17th November 2023

For Children in Need this year we will be running a series of Fund Raising Events including:

- ☒ Run Pudsey Event - Friday 17/11/23 throughout the school day
- ☒ Pudsey Cookie Sale - Friday 17/11/23 at 3:30pm.
- ☒ Own Clothes Day - Pudsey ears/t-shirts are welcome but optional - Friday 17/11/23 - requested donation £1

The events will be run by the School Council and all proceeds will go direct to Children in Need.

Run Pudsey - Children in Need Fridays 17th November 2023

We will be taking part in the 'Run Pudsey Event'. Each class will participate in a fun exercise session during school on Friday 17/11/23, raising funds for Children in Need.

Children In Need are offering each child **who registers and raises funds online**, a Run Pudsey 2023 medal to thank them for their efforts. *"Challenge yourself to raise £10 (or more!) when getting involved with runPudsey this year! Whether it's pennies or pounds, everyone who fundraises will receive this year's brand new and exclusive runPudsey 2023 medal to celebrate all your efforts."*

How to register:

In order to receive the medal, parents will need to sign up online at:

- ☒ <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/runpudsey/>
- ☒ Select 'Register Here'
- ☒ Select 'Register to take part'
- ☒ Select 'Sign up'
- ☒ Select 'Register as a Parent'
- ☒ Click 'next step'
- ☒ Enter the school name 'Barlows Primary School'
- ☒ Enter our school code : 7551
- ☒ Enter your name, email address and create your own password.

This will create your own account where you can monitor donations in your child's name.

- ☒ You'll then be taken to a further registration page to enter the following :
 - ☒ Your business 'Barlows Primary School',
 - ☒ persons taking part in the challenge - select the number of pupils at Barlows and enter their names.
 - ☒ Give your fundraising page a name i.e. 'Barlows Run Pudsey Event', you can upload an image if you wish
 - ☒ Enter a bio. Suggested bio: "I am taking part in Barlows Primary School Run Pudsey event to raise funds for Children in Need on Friday 17/11/23, We would love it if you could sponsor me!"
 - ☒ Once complete you should receive a personal link you can share with friends and family to sponsor your child(ren) online.
- ☒ Please note, you must register and receive sponsors online, in order to receive a medal. These are the guidelines from Children in Need.



Events for November

Early Years Stay and Play

Our Reception and Nursery teams look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our November Stay and Play sessions:

Reception:

Thursday 30th November 2023 9am-10am

Nursery:

Thursday 30th November 2023 9am-10am

Thursday 30th November 2023 2:30pm-3:30pm

We kindly ask that only adults attend these sessions as we are unable to accommodate for children who are not pupils of the school.



Support and Advice Coffee Afternoon provided by the ASD Training Team 17th November 2023, 2:30pm-3:30pm

The SD Training Team will be running a Coffee Afternoon for parents and carers.

The sessions are targeted at parents/carers who have concerns with Social Communication & Social Interaction, if your child is awaiting an ASD assessment or has an ASD diagnosis.

The staff will be on hand to help answer your questions and offer guidance and advice.



Events for December

SEND Parent / Carer Appointments with SENDCO Week Commencing 11/12/23 and 18/12/23

As part of our developments in SEND, Miss Bakstad (SENDCO) will be offering each family with a pupil on on the SEND register, an appointment to discuss and evaluate their child's IEP (Individual Education Plan) at the end of the Autumn term.

The meeting will take place with the SENDCO and class teacher and will help make amendments to the IEP, ready for the Spring Term. IEPs (Individual Education Plans) form part of the pupils' SEND provision.

Appointments will be available as follows:

Monday 11/12/23 - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Y6 SEND Appointments

Wednesday 13/12/23 - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Y5 SEND Appointments

Thursday 14/12/23 - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Y4 SEND Appointments

Monday 18/12/23 - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Y3 SEND Appointments

Tuesday 19/12/23 - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Y1 and Y2 Mrs Farrells' Class SEND Appointments

Wednesday 20/12/23 - 3:30pm - 6:00pm - Y2 Miss Kelly's Class, Reception and Nursery SEND Appointments

Parents will be sent a link to book their meeting.

Events for December

Christmas Performances

We are delighted to announce this year's Christmas Performance dates. Year groups will perform as individual year groups. This should enable more pupils to have speaking and performance parts, should they wish. There will be one performance per year group as follows:



Nursery 1 Performance: 11th December 2023 9:15am - 9:45am

Nursery 2 Performance: 11th December 2023 3pm - 3:30pm

Reception Performance: 12th December 2023 9:15am - 10:15am

Year 1 Performance: 13th December 2023 9:15am - 10:15am

Year 2 Performance: 13th December 2023 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Year 3 Performance: 18th December 2023 9:15am - 10:15am

Year 4 Performance: 18th December 2023 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Year 5 Performance: 19th December 2023 9:15am - 10:15am

Year 6 Performance: 19th December 2023 2:30pm - 3:30pm



Please note, the event will operate on a strict booking only policy, as part of our safeguarding and risk assessment. We hope you can join us in celebrating our pupils' talents!

Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper / Own Clothes Day

Thursday 7th December

Our school Christmas Dinner Day will take place on Thursday 7th December 2023.

This is the same date as Christmas Jumper Day.

All pupils are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper, Christmas hat or headband or their own clothes for Christmas Dinner Day.

We hope that by combining our own clothes day, Christmas dinner day and Christmas jumper day, that families will not feel under pressure to purchase expensive jumpers.

Further details regarding the booking of Christmas dinner will be sent out by our Senior Admin, Mrs Janette Roberts.



Christmas Movie & Own Clothes Day Thursday 21/12/23

As part of our Christmas celebrations we will be holding a Christmas Movie Day on Thursday 21/12/23.

As part of this, your child is welcome to bring in 1 packet of either crisps or sweets to enjoy whilst watching the film.

Please only send 1 item in to ensure pupils and families do not feel in competition.

Children will not be sharing their item with anyone else as we have a number of allergies in school including dairy, nuts, milk, tomatoes and pineapple.

Please do not send any items that contain nuts or pieces of nuts, as we have pupils with severe nut allergies.

Chewing gum / bubble gum / lollipops are not permitted.



A Few Reminders

Attendance - Holidays in Term Time



Attendance for all pupils remains a high priority. Please note, we are unable to authorise holidays in term time.

Holidays taken in term time will be marked as unauthorised absence and may incur a penalty notice issued by the Local Authority.

Punctuality



Doors open at 8:45am with lessons starting promptly at 9:00am. Registers close at 9:00am.

Please ensure your child arrives at school in time to be through the door **before 9:00am**, to ensure they are in class on time.

Doors must close at 9:00am prompt to enable support staff to arrive to lessons on time.

Pupils entering through the main entrance from 9:00am will be marked late. Any late pupils must be escorted to the main entrance by their adult, in order to ensure they arrive safely and have their attendance registered.

Join our PTA

Joining the PTA is an excellent way to bring together parents, teachers and your local community to raise money and to support the school. It provides an opportunity for everyone to work together towards a common goal. All parents, teachers and school staff can get involved even if they only have a small amount of time available.

What does a PTA do?

PTA activity can vary from school to school. Here at Barlows, the PTA have helped raise funds for a range of school items, from Reception outdoor equipment, to Y6 leaver's gifts, as well as raising money through cake sales and stalls as the Fun Day. These funds benefit all children in the school and are used for the following purposes:

- to help the school provide resources and extras for the pupils
- to run social events for parents and children
- to provide support for school trips and outings and other special events
- to run after school clubs
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If you feel that you have some time (no matter how little) and would like to join the PTA, please contact the school office or email us at: barlows.PTA@barlows.liverpool.sch.uk

Extended family and friends of the school are also very welcome to join our PTA.

Parking



Thank you to the many parents and carers who have supported us in trying to keep our school car park safe, by not using it at all for parking.

Unfortunately, we still have a small number of parents/carers who continue to try to use the school car park for their own purposes.

This is not permitted - by doing so you are risking the safety of others.

The car park is for staff only and drop off for breakfast club, until 8:30am.

Please do not attempt to use the car park, as doing so causes unnecessary danger to others - including the children of Barlows Primary School.

Thank you for your support with this important matter.

Spare Hangers

Do you have any spare clothes hangers that you no longer need? If so, please send them in to our school office. We want to use them in our upcoming 'Preloved' Uniform Shop.

Term Dates



Term Dates 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023	
DATE	EVENT
Friday 1 st September 2023	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
Monday 4 th September 2023	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 5th September 2023	All pupils in Years 1-6 Return to School
Monday 30 th October – Friday 3 rd November 2023	Half-Term
Monday 6 th November 2023	All Pupils Return to School
Thursday 21st December 2023	Last Day in School
Friday 22 nd December 2023	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
Monday 25 th December 2023 – Monday 8 th January 2024	Christmas Holiday
Notes: Total number of pupil days = 73 Total number of staff days = 76	

SPRING TERM 2024	
DATE	EVENT
Monday 8th January 2024	All Pupils Return to School
Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February 2024	Half-Term
Monday 19th February 2024	All Pupils Return to School
Friday 29th March 2024	Bank Holiday
Monday 1 st April – Friday 12 th April 2024	Easter Holiday
Notes: Total number of pupil days = 54 Total number of staff days = 54	

SUMMER TERM 2024	
DATE	EVENT
Monday 15 th April 2024	All Pupils Return to School
Monday 6 th May 2024	May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May 2024	Half-Term
Monday 3 rd June 2024	All Pupils Return to School
Thursday 18 th July 2024	Final Day of the School Year for Pupils
Friday 19th July 2024	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
Monday 22nd July 2024	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils
Notes: Total number of pupil days = 63 Total number of staff days = 65	

Total number of pupil days for the academic year = 190
Total number of staff days for the academic year = 195