

BARROW VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Building Works

Due to the bad weather we have a slight delay with the new roof on the modular building. We shall inform you as soon as we are able to use the building for the Breakfast and Afterschool club.

Out of School Club

We will be sending invoices to all parents who are accessing the Breakfast or Afterschool club. We are able to accept employer childcare vouchers but you will need to inform us as to which provider you use. Please complete the invoice form and return it to school as soon as possible. There is a 10% discount for second siblings. Please ensure that you have returned your Autumn Term booking form.

New Intake 2019

A reminder that online registration for applying for a place in Reception for 2019 has opened. This can be accessed at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. The closing date for applications is 15th January 2019.

Arriving at school

Some pupils have been arriving alone at the school gate before 8.30am in the morning. The teachers do not supervise the playground until **8.40am**. Our School Breakfast Club is also a useful alternative as it opens from 7.30am until 8.50am and pupils are given a healthy breakfast. Breakfast Club cost £4 per session.

School Uniform

We have noticed that some pupils are coming to school with incorrect uniform. Items such as hair braids, bracelets and JoJo bows are fashion items and should not be worn to school. On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule is one pair of plain studs in pierced ears. These must be removed during PE and games to prevent them from causing injury.

Family Assembly

Each Friday we hold a Family Assembly in the school hall at 9.10am. You are welcome to attend and help us to celebrate success and achievement. In addition, each Class will lead their own special assembly. Please see below for the date of each Family Class Assembly.

Friday 5th October
Thursday 18th October
Friday, 2nd November
Friday, 16th November
Friday, 30th November
Class 2
Class 1

Request for unwanted items

The Breakfast and Afterschool club would like to ask parents to donate any unwanted toys, jigsaws and books that might be suitable for the children. Please send the items into school and they will be passed on to Miss Campbell in the Out of School Club.



Friends of Barrow School (FOBS)

Friends of Barrow School (FOBS) are a charity run by the parents of the children at Barrow Primary School. It operates not only to raise money for the children, but to create a sense of community and promote friendships. FOBS have organised a **Fancy Dress Disco for the pupils on Friday 2**nd **November**. The disco will be held in school and the price of a ticket is £2.50. This includes a drink and bag of crisps. The **Infant disco** for pupils in classes 1 and 2 will be from **5.30pm – 6.30pm** and the junior disco for pupils in classes 3, 4 and 5 will be from **6.45pm – 8pm**. Tickets will be available to purchase from the school office from Monday 24th September. If you would like any further information about FOBS please contact them at fobsbarrow@gmail.com or have a chat with Mrs Carrie Nestor (Chair of FOBS) or Mrs Nagina Johnstone (Vice-Chair of FOBS) in the school playground!



As all FOBS events are about raising funds for the school, if anyone is in contact with a DJ who might be willing to do the disco at a discounted rate please contact the school office.

Head Boy and Head Girl for the autumn term / School Council 2018-19

Please meet our New Head Boy and Head Girl for the autumn term.



We also welcome our new School Council members for 2018-19















'A Text to Home'

We are proud of all our pupils for the many different ways they show excellence. Each week the class teachers choose one pupil who has excelled and we send a text home to share this. This week our 'Text to Home' pupils are:

Class 1: Milo Class 2: Harry Class 3: Morgan Class 4: Emily Class 5: Georgina

Well done. We are proud of you!

Extracurricular Clubs

We are currently providing a range of clubs for the pupils. The clubs run from 3.30pm – 4.30pm on their given day.

KS1 & 2 French Club and Key Stage 2 Football Club each Tuesday.

Key Stage 2 Netball runs each Wednesday.

Key Stage 2 Street Dance runs each Thursday.

KS1 Multiskills runs each Friday

Key Stage 1 and 2 Mad Science Clubs will begin on Monday 8th October. **If you wish to take part in the mad science clubs please register online at: www.madsciencenw.com**

A message from our new Head Boy and Head Girl

Hello from us. We would like to say thank you to FOBS for organising wonderful things for us to enjoy. We are so proud of this school because it makes learning fun and we are very aware of what is going on in school. There is absolutely no bullying. We would like to say thank you to the parents for all the effort they put in to helping this school, with fund raising events such as Red Nose Day and Children In Need. We would like to thank the teachers for their hard work and effort they put in every day. We look forward to working with Mrs Welch and being involved in planning things for the school.

From Harry and Martha.

A message from the Headteacher

We have had another productive week. Many parents attended the Information Sessions on Monday 17th September and found the information provided to be very useful. I was able to go into each class to see some of the excellent teaching and learning taking place in our school. Our Head Boy and Head Girl carried out their first task, showing a prospective parent around the school. The parent's feedback was that 'they were very informative, they introduced me to all the staff and pointed out lots of different things in the class rooms. All my questions were answered.'

We are starting to plan our 'Themed Week' and I can reveal that we are focusing all our work around the centenary of World War 1. Please talk to your child about any family history, stories or photographs you have that might enhance their learning about the World War. We hope you will be able to join us on **Friday 12**th **October at 2pm** for an open afternoon where the pupils will share some of the exciting learning they have done during the week.

Mrs Welch Acting Headteacher

