

Barlow CE School Newsletter - 6th February 2026



Barlow CE Primary School

Part of the White Rose Federation - One family, branching out together



Friday, 6th February 2026

Peace, Friendship, Endurance

Message from Mr Rich, Head of School

We hope you enjoy catching up on all our school news. Please remember that next Friday we break up for a 1 week half term holiday. School reopens on **Monday 23rd February**.

Year 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics

Class 3 joined eight other schools, including Burton Salmon and Hensall, to take part in Sports Hall Athletics at Read School, Drax. The children took part in a range of track and field events, including; relays, sprints, jumping and throwing events and time trial endurance events. Wow, what a fun time we had at Sports Hall Athletics. There was a great atmosphere for the entire afternoon and the children were really supportive of each other, giving every event their very best effort.





Young Voices 2026

The children had the time of their lives singing and dancing last week. We'd like to thank Miss Nunn and Miss Hillerby for supporting the children throughout a very long day. We'd also like to thank all of our families for their support and understanding when we were running late. Please head across to our Instagram page for an injection of YV joy.







World Book Day - Thursday 5th March 2026

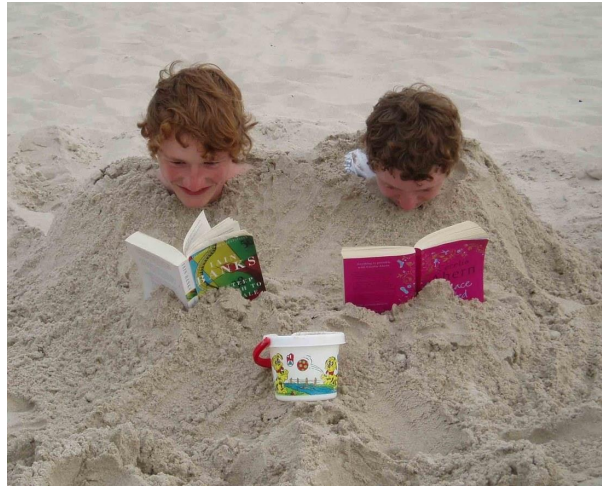
On World Book Day if your child wants to come to school dressed as a book character, we would love to see which character they have chosen. However, we don't want you going to lots of additional expense.

We can't wait to see all of those creative outfits.

Extreme Reading Challenge

We would also like to invite your child to take part in our extreme reading challenge. Take a photo of your child reading their favourite book or comic in the most extreme place possible. Submit your photo's to Mr Rich by emailing them to us at office.barlow@wrfed.pmat.academy





Healthy Schools - the importance of fresh water

We know how important fresh water is for concentration, so we're very pleased to share that we've had a new water cooler installed. The children (and adults too) can fill up their water bottles with fresh filtered cold water when needed.



School Photographs



It's time to smile. Phototronics will be in school on **Monday, 18th May 2026** for our individual school photographs. We will also be taking a special photograph or two of our Year 6 Leavers 2026. More information will come home in due course.

Afternoon Tea

Last month, Ms Keeler hosted afternoon tea at Hensall Primary School for the fundraising committee members from across the Federation. With 14 parents in attendance, it was a great opportunity to share ideas and talk about what we can do in the year ahead to fundraise money, aiming to give the children from our family of schools memorable wow enrichment experiences in the year ahead. Watch this space.....

To say 'thank you to our BPASA members' children in Class 2 decorated some lovely thank you cards. Thank you to Ailidh, Georgia, Isla, Alivia, Bobby & Ava.



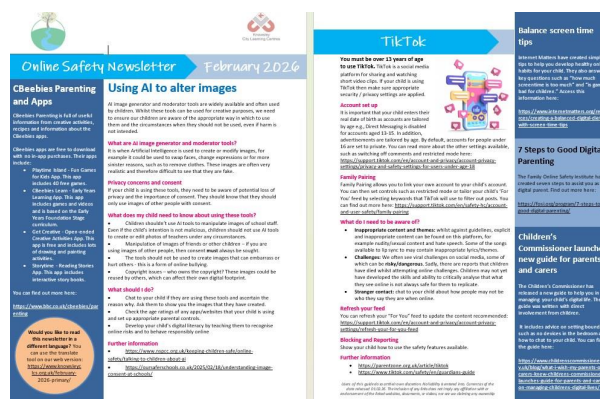
Spring 2026 Parents Evenings

The Spring Parents Evenings will be held on **Tuesday 3rd** and **Thursday 5th March**.
 Appointments will be released soon.

Please note that there will be no after school clubs running week commencing 2nd March 2026.

Online Safety Newsletter

We have emailed all parents a copy of our latest online safety newsletter. We hope you find it useful to keep up to date with emerging issues and trends.



Technology

Can we ask you if you are receiving our school emails? Some parents across the Federation have reported to us that they are having issues receiving school emails, with some sharing that our emails end up in their junk folder. If you are not receiving school emails could you please check your junk folder and let us know.

Thank you !

Nursery & Reception Open Afternoons

We love meeting new prospective families to be able to share with them what makes Barlow so special. There are spaces available on our next **Open Afternoon on Thursday 5th March**. Please share this with any friends or relatives who may be interested. To book an appointment just email office.barlow@wrfed.pmat.academy

BPASA News (Barlow Parent & Staff Association)

The BPASA donated all their Christmas fundraising profit, **£233.50**, to our School Council to purchase some new play resources for lunchtimes.

The lucky winners of the BPASA Christmas Hampers were:

Adult's: Diane Butterworth

Children's: George & Zoe Hefford

We look forward to working with the BPASA for their events in 2026.

COMING SOON: In March, watch out for the BPASA World Book Day Barlow Bars and a special Mother's Day fundraiser.



BPASA Valentine's Day - Show your appreciation

Valentine's Day - Sow your appreciation

Our BPASA invite all of the children to design a valentine's day card to show their appreciation for a friend or adult here in school.

Card templates are available in all three classrooms.

All entries should be returned to school by **Wednesday 11th February**.



BPASA - Disco's

Unfortunately the BPASA are unable to run a Valentine's Disco this year due to the lack of volunteers. We'd love to run another disco event soon. Can you help by giving our fundraising team a few hours to help plan or deliver these valuable events for our pupils? Please email the BPASA [here](#) if you are willing to volunteer (**barlowpasa@outlook.com**)

Play is important learning. Can you help?

We really value quality play, so can we please ask that if you are having a spring clear out at home would you please think of us of if you have any pre-loved:-

- small toy cars, trucks etc
- lego or duplo
- action figures or small dolls
- toy animals

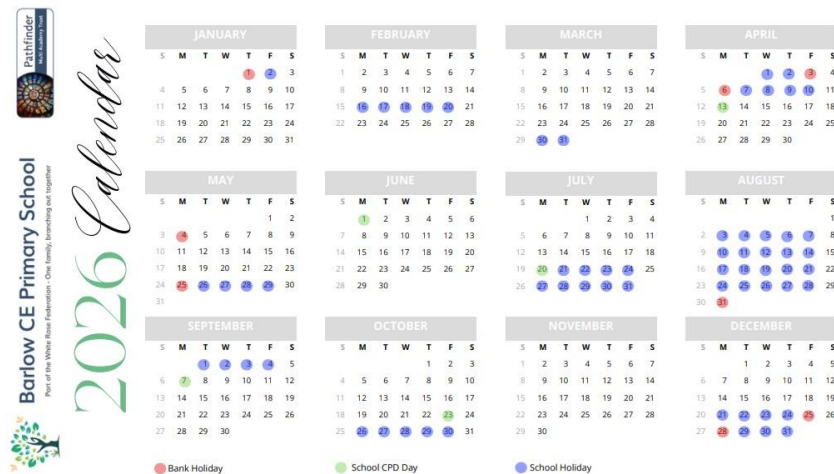
The children of Barlow will really appreciate any of your pre-loved items!





Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance this year is currently **95.42%**.



Enrichment & Community Events



**ELITE KIDS COACHING
FEBRUARY
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ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
YO8 9AX
8-15AM - 4-15PM
MONDAY 16TH - THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY
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**Play an instrument?
Love making music with others?**

Come and be part of our Instrumental Ensemble Days

A fantastic opportunity to rehearse, perform, and develop your ensemble skills with other musicians from across North Yorkshire and York in a supportive and welcoming environment.

For more details, email:
Countyhall.Music@northyorks.gov.uk

15 March
19 April
14 June
20 June
10am - 3pm

The Regen Centre
Landing Lane
YO19 6PW

Ensemble Project Days are **FREE**, & open to all children and young people from North Yorkshire and York above grade 2 on their instrument.

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NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL
York MusicHub



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**VOCAL
PROJECT DAYS**

**Love to sing?
Want to perform with others?**

Come and be part of our new Vocal Groups

A fun and inspiring space for young and aspiring singers from across North Yorkshire and York to rehearse, learn, and grow together.

For more details, email:
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7 March
18 April
16 May
20 June
10am - 3pm

Esrick C of E Primary School
Carr Lane
YO19 6JQ

Vocal Project Days are **FREE**, & open to all children and young people from North Yorkshire and York in Years 4 to 13

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Key Dates (so far...)

2026

-  **10th February** – Swimming Festival - Year 5/6 Squad of 8
-  **10th February** – National Safer Internet Day
-  **11th February** – Safer Internet Assembly
-  **3rd March** – Parents Evening
-  **5th March** – World Book Day *including costume non uniform day & BPASA Barlow Bars*
-  **5th March** – Parents Evening
-  **6th March** – Magna Trip - Year 5/6
-  **27th March** – Tri Golf - Year 1/2 @ Barlow
-  **27th - 28th April** – Year 4 Overnight Residential Trip
-  **7th May** – Class 1 trip to the Skylark Centre, Drax
-  **18th May** – School Photographs with Phototronics
-  **28th - 30th September** – Year 6 Residential Trip

Contact us

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