

Barlow CE School Newsletter - 3rd March 2026



Barlow CE Primary School

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



Tuesday, 3rd March 2026

Peace, Friendship, Endurance

Message from Mr Rich, Head of School

We have a very busy and exciting few weeks ahead of us so this newsletter is packed with all the things you need to know.

If for any reason you haven't been able to book a parents evening meeting or are unable to attend, please speak to your child's class teacher to rearrange at a mutually convenient time.

Class 1 - Chinese New Year - The Year of the Horse

Class 1 celebrated Chinese New Year with lots of Chinese-inspired activities including making their very own Chinese dragon, food tasting and lots of Chinese inspired crafts. It looked like a lot of fun.





Class 1 - Flower Shop

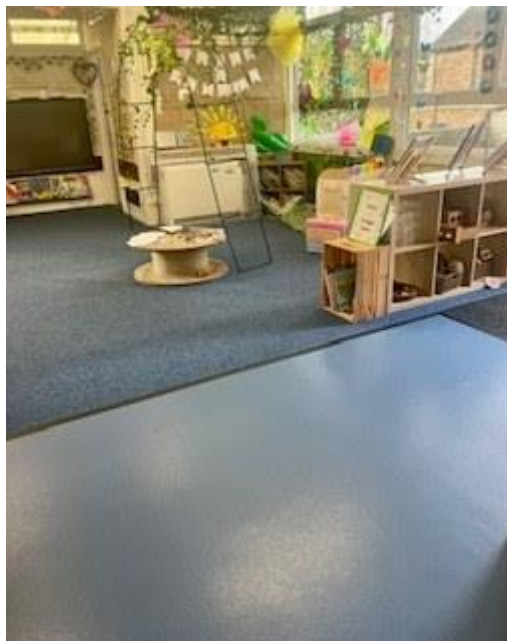
With Spring on its way, the Class 1 home corner has turned into a **fantastic flower shop**. We'd like to thank **our families** for a range of lovely donations, which have all helped to bring this idea to life. If anyone has any unwanted artificial flowers we would be happy to receive them. 🌸🌸🌸

We are looking forward to start planting some real flowers and herbs.



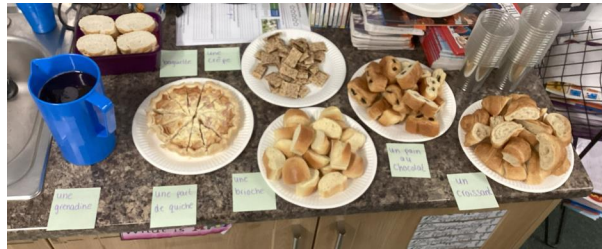
Class 1 - Mini makeover

Over the half term break, Class 1 received a little mini makeover with some lovely new carpet and flooring. We'd like to thank **Morgan & Quinn** for their prompt and efficient service. We will turn our focus to sprucing up the Class 1 outdoor area over the coming months.



Class 3

To enhance her French lesson, Miss Hillerby put on a lovely French-inspired tasting table for Year 5 & 6. It certainly was a conversation starter. We were genuinely surprised that so few children enjoyed the Pain Au Chocolat !!





World Book Day - Thursday 5th March 2026

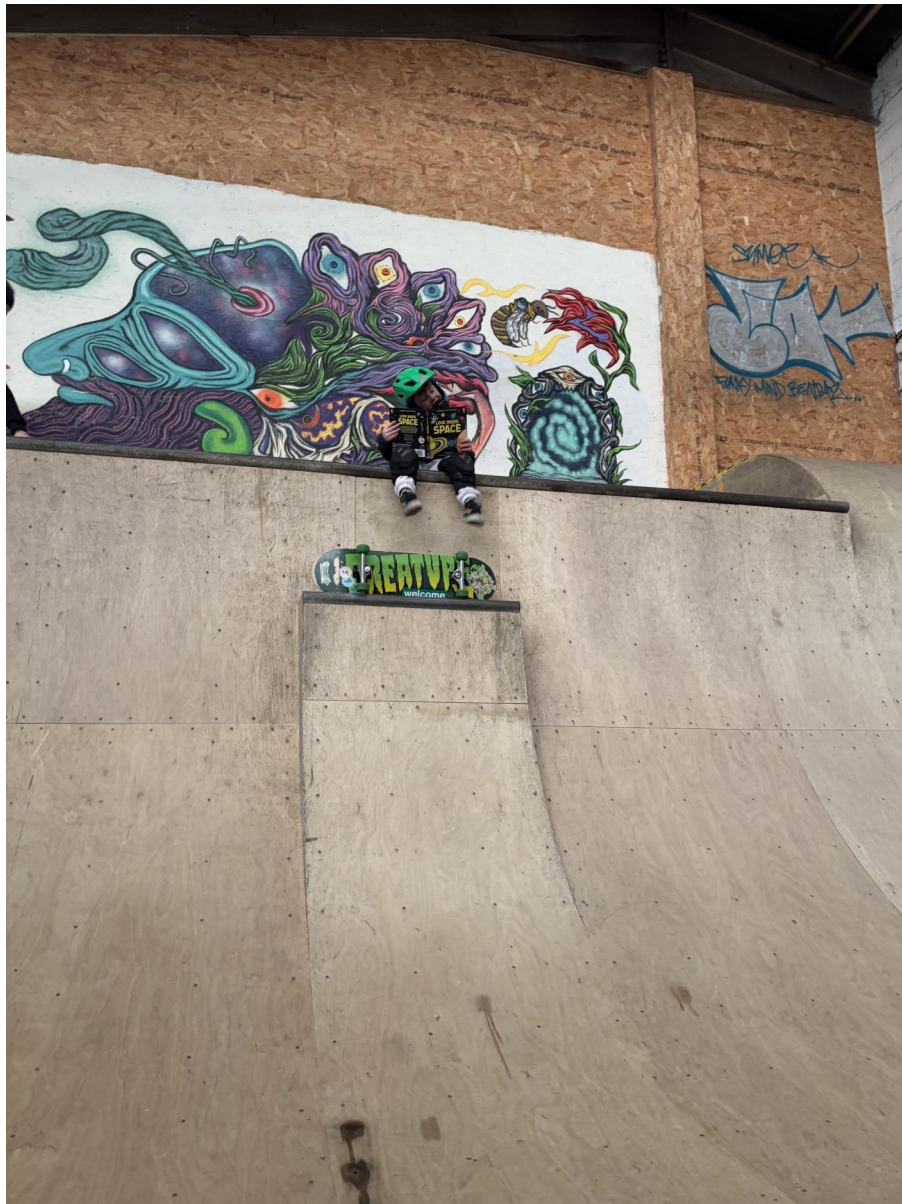
On World Book Day if your child wants to come to school dressed as a book character, we would love to see which character they have chosen. However, we don't want you going to lots of additional expense. We can't wait to see all of those creative outfits.

Extreme Reading Challenge

There is still time to submit your child's extreme reading photograph. We can't wait to make a wonderful display of them all. Submit your photo's to Mr Rich by emailing them to us at office.barlow@wrfed.pmat.academy









World Book Day - BPASA Barlow Bars

The BPASA have been busy sourcing lots of prizes for this year's exciting Barlow Bars. We'd like to thank some of the school's partner's for their donations including our IT Support Partner: **Vital** who very kindly donated this year's star prize, a brand new Kindle. Mrs Marwood collected the Kindle and thanked our Vital colleagues for their generous donation. Watch out of an update of all our winners in the next newsletter.



BPASA Mothers Day Breakfast Boxes

Mothering Sunday is on Sunday 15th March. The BPASA have solved everyone's problem by introducing their Mothering Sunday Breakfast Boxes at £5 per box. These boxes will be sent home on Friday 13th March 2026. The last day for orders is this Friday please.

BPASA presents
Treat Mum!♥

MOTHER'S DAY

BREAKFAST BOXES

**£5
EACH**



Pre Orders Only by
5th March 2026

Don't Miss Out - Order Now!

BPASA - Gift Amnesty



Design an Easter Egg Competition

In conjunction with Vision for Education, all children are invited to design an Easter Egg with a chance to win a complete set of Roald Dahl books. The templates are available in the classrooms. Please return your design to Mrs Grant, making sure your child's work includes their name. All entries should be returned to the **School Office by Wednesday 18th March.**

Save the date: Barlow Sports Day - Tuesday 19th May 2026

We know how important Sports Day is for our families so we want you to save the **19th May** for the **Barlow Sports afternoon** (subject to weather conditions). More details will come home just after the Easter break.

Instagram News

Did you know we have an Instagram page that has information about the exciting things we are doing in school? Our Instagram page is a vibrant "window into life at school," showcasing the amazing things happening every day. We'll focus on the highlights of events, classroom learning, and the general buzz of our school.

Since the page will be open to the public, it will offer prospective families a fantastic flavour of school life before they even visit.

You can follow us on Instagram [here](#) or by using the below QR code.



Our Photograph Policy

Our main focus on Instagram will be on showcasing activities and events, not individual children. While we do not intend for children's faces to be the primary focus, there may be occasions where images of students are included. No children's names will ever be used in any posts.

We understand that some parents may prefer for their child's image not to appear on the page. If this is the case, please please let us know by completing this form [Photo Permission Consents Review](#) or email the school office on office.barlow@wrfed.pmat.academy at your

earliest convenience to officially withdraw consent for photography on our new Instagram platform. We will then update our records immediately.

Celebrating Birthdays

We love celebrating with our pupils and making them feel special on their birthdays! As a Healthy School, and to help keep our classrooms safe, inclusive, and allergy-aware, we encourage families to consider non-food birthday treats. If you would like to send something in to celebrate your child's special day, here are some fun alternatives to healthy food items such as popcorn or fruit kebabs:

- Stickers, bookmarks, or fun pencils
- Erasers, bubbles, glow sticks, or mini notebooks
- Small containers of Play-Doh or slime
- A favorite book to donate to the classroom (we will read it together!)
- A simple craft or coloring page for classmates
- A puzzle sheet or word search
- A donation to our classroom supplies for wet play days (playing cards, board games etc)



BPASA Valentine's Day - Show your appreciation

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

We had some lovely entries but the winners of this occasion were:

Class 1: Lewis for his lovely card to his friend Emily

Class 2: Eve for her thoughtful card for her friend Blake

Class 3: Keira for Miss Hillerby for all her support since joining our school

All demonstrating the importance of the Christian value of **friendship**.

PS: take a look at the beautiful Valentine's Cupcakes Miss Franks treated us all too !







Barlow Kids Corner

Don't forget that at Barlow we work in partnership with Kids Corner to provide wraparound care both in the morning and after school, from 7:00am until 6:00pm. This can be very helpful on a one off or ongoing basis.

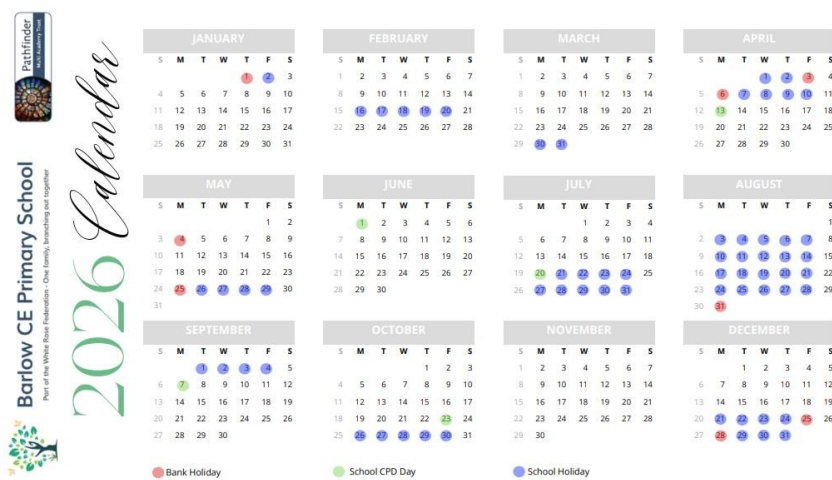
To find out more please visit our website here [Barlow Kids Corner](#)

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

Attendance Matters

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



Key Dates (so far....)

2026

-  **3rd March** – Barlow Parents Evening
-  **5th March** – National World Book Day *including costume non uniform day & BPASA Barlow Bars*
-  **5th March** – Barlow Early Years Open Afternoon
-  **5th March** – Barlow Parents Evening
-  **6th March** – Federation Magna Trip - Year 5/6
-  **20th March** – Federation Cross Country Competition - Year 5/6 - Drax Read School
-  **26th March** – Federation Lotherton Hall Trip - Reception
-  **27th March** – Federation Tri Golf - Year 1/2 - Hensall
-  **27th March** – Last day of school - school closes for the Easter break

-  **13th April** – Teacher Training Day
-  **14th April** – School reopens
-  **27th - 28th April** – Federation Year 4 Overnight Residential Trip
-  **4th May** – Bank holiday
-  **7th May** – Barlow Class 1 trip to the Skylark Centre, Drax
-  **18th May** – Barlow School Photographs with Phototronics
-  **19th May** – Barlow School Sports Day
-  **28th - 30th September** – Federation Year 6 Residential Trip

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