



**Barlaston First School**  
**Weekly Newsletter**  
**23 January 2026**



**Let your light shine through family, friendship and faith**

"Enabling our whole school community to flourish and let their light shine, preparing them for their role as gentle and humble agents for change in the world we share."

**Dear Parents / Carers,**

**Kitchen Closure**

The closure of our kitchen for the last 2 weeks of this half term (2 February - 13 February) has been confirmed. The lunchtime offer will be just cold options for that period. We are exploring options for being able to offer jacket potatoes and accompaniments. Dolce will update their app to reflect the temporary menu. The work will complete during the half term break and the kitchen will be operational for our return on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

**Spring Term PTFA Discos**

Discos will be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February for Nursery, Reception and Year 1 from 4pm to 5pm, and on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February for years 2, 3 and 4, from 4pm to 5.15pm.

The next PTFA meeting is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 7pm @ The Upper House - all are welcome.

**Records of Achievement Afternoon**

Our Records of Achievement afternoon will take place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February. I will include details of how the afternoon will run in next week's newsletter.

**Newsletter**

Thank you for your comments and suggestions. The newsletter will begin to appear in a different format and with some different content after the half term break.

**Regards,**  
**Mr J Gordon**

## Dates for the Diary 2026

<b>Spring 2026</b>	
6 February	Records of Achievement Afternoon
<b>Half Term 16- 20 February</b>	
24 February	Disco - Dormice, Hedgehogs, Squirrels 4pm - 5pm
25 February	Disco - Badgers, Deer, Owls 4pm - 5.15pm
5 March	World Book Day
13 March	PTA Mothers Day Activity (PM)
16 March	Parents Evening
19 March	Parents Evening
27 March	Easter Service 9am in Church
<b>Easter Break</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>
<b>Summer 2026</b>	
School Opens	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
<b>Staff Development Day - School Closed to Children</b>	<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026</b>
May Bank Holiday - School Closed	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
<b>Half Term</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026
<b>2026/27 School Term and Holiday Dates</b>	
<b>Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)</b>	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026
<b>Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)</b>	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2026
<b>Autumn 2026 Term Begins</b>	<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026</b>

School Term Dates - Academic Year 2026/27 are available on the School Website