



Barlaston First School
Weekly Newsletter
23rd October 2025



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."

Little Mermaid

Years Reception to 4 will be going to see The Little Mermaid at the New Vic theatre on 4th December. Payments are now open. Payments can be made through tax free childcare accounts if have one. Please contact the office if you would like to pay this way.

Nursery Building

Over the next couple of days and into half term we are have some long-awaited maintenance carried out on our nursery building. As a consequence the hall space will be needed for some of Friday afternoon so **there will be no Family Worship tomorrow afternoon (24th October).**

October Activity Days with ASM

ASM are running an activity day on Thursday 30th October. Please book directly on their website. Please note that Wednesday 29th has now been cancelled due to numbers. ASM are contacting those concerned.

Records of Achievement

We will hold our next Records of Achievement Afternoon on Friday 7th November from 2pm to 3pm. Come in at any time during that time, bring in any certificates, photos, leaflets, souvenirs etc for your child to place in their folder. Short classroom activities will also be available to complete with your child should you wish.

There will be no Family Worship on 7 November.

Autumn Discos - 12th and 13th November

PTFA will be holding autumn discos on 12th (Early Years and Year 1) and 13th (Years 2,3 and 4) November.

Diabetes Screening - Monday 10th November

If you have registered your child for Diabetes screening, this will take place on the morning of 10th November.

Thank You

Thank you for all of the sponsorship and immensely kind donations following the visit to school of Danny Butler. The response was fantastic and the school will receive over

£900 to spend on PE equipment. This makes such a difference for us. Thank you for your generosity.

Parents Evenings

Booking forms for our November parents evenings will come home on Monday 10th November.

Half term and Staff Development Day

We break for half term tomorrow afternoon. Monday 3rd November is a Staff Development Day and so the school will be closed to children that day. **We open for the second half of the autumn term on Tuesday 4th November.**

Have a great half term break.

Regards,
Mr J Gordon

Dates for the Diary 2025

3 November	Staff Development Day - School Closed to Children
7 November	Records of Achievement Afternoon 2pm to 3pm
10 November	Diabetes Screening in the morning
11 November	Remembrance Service
12 November	Disco - Dormice, Hedgehogs and Squirrels 4.30pm - 5.30pm
13 November	Disco - Badgers, Deer and Owls 4.30pm - 6pm
17 November	Parents Evening
17 November	Non-Uniform Day
18 November	Flu Vaccinations
19 November	Parents Evening
4 December	Reception - Year 4 New Vic - Little Mermaid
5 December	Rainbow Christmas Hamper Draw in Family Worship
9 December	Nativity 4.30pm Early Years
10 December	Key Stage 1 Performance 2.15pm
11 December	Key Stage 1 Performance 5.30pm
12 December	Christmas Jumper Day
12 December	Rocksteady Performance 9.30am - Details to follow
19 December	Christingle Service in Church 9am
2025/26 School Term and Holiday Dates	
Half Term	27th - 31st October 2025
Staff Development Day School Closed to Children	3rd November Monday 3rd November 2025
Christmas Break	22nd December - 2nd January 2026
Spring 2026	

School Opens	Monday 5 th January 2026
Half Term	16th - 20st February 2026
Easter Break	30 th March - 10 th April 2026
Summer 2026	
School Opens	Monday 13 th April 2026
Staff Development Day - School Closed to Children	Friday 1st May 2026
May Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026
Half Term	25th - 29th May 2026
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday 17 th July 2026
2026/27 School Term and Holiday Dates	
Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)	Tuesday 1 st September 2026
Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026
Autumn 2026 Term Begins	Thursday 3rd September 2026