Barlaston First School
Weekly Newsletter
7th November 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."

Welcome back after the half term break. We're very much looking forward to a very busy second half of the autumn term and, of course, the run up to Christmas!

The Little Mermaid

A reminder that this is now open for payment and for you to give permission for us to take your child on the trip. Let the office know if you wish to pay for this with your tax free account.

Parking

I have once again received complaints this week from our neighbours in Broughton Crescent regarding access to properties being blocked at drop off and pick up times. If for any reason you are unable to make use of the church car park and the crossing patrol that we now have, please be thoughtful in how and where you park and show consideration for our neighbours. Thank you for your co-operation

Diabetes Screening

It's been wonderful to see such a fantastic response to this important initiative. The booking system is now closed, but we will do the same again this time next year. The screening will take place on Monday morning.

Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will take place on Tuesday 18th November. The School Age Immunisation Service has asked us to pass on the following message.

Polite Final Reminder to Parents/Carers from the School Age Immunisation Service.

We shall be visiting school on **Tuesday 18th November 2025** to deliver the Nasal Flu spray programme to those pupils in **Reception – Year 4**. If you have not done so and would like your child protected against Flu please complete the consent form by **10am on Friday 14th November 2025** when the online consent portal will close. Please use the following link:

https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/?session=6579&code=ST124233-25

If there have been any changes to your child's health 14 days before to the vaccination date YOU MUST contact the immunisation team on 0300 124 0366 as your child may not be well enough to receive the vaccination.

- **Your child is asthmatic and becomes wheezy**

- **Has required oral steroids**
- **Has increased their asthma medication**

If you have any concerns regarding the vaccination, have taken your child to the GP for their vaccination or require support completing the consent form please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Immunisation Service to discuss on 0300 124 0366.
Thank you.

Remembrance

Our Remembrance Service will take place on Tuesday at 11am at the war memorial. Please come along to join us.

Autumn Discos – 12th and 13th November

Early Years and Year 1 have their disco from 4.30pm to 5.30pm on Wednesday 12th November and Years 2, 3 and 4 from 4.30pm to 6pm on Thursday 13th November.

Parents Evenings

Booking forms for our upcoming parents' evenings will be sent out next week.

Regards,
Mr J Gordon

Dates for the Diary 2025

10 November	Diabetes Screening in the morning
11 November	Remembrance Service 11am at the war memorial.
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 – more details next week
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 5th January 2026
Half Term	**16th- 20st February 2026**
Easter Break	30th March – 10th April 2026
Summer 2026	
School Opens	Monday 13th April 2026
Staff Development Day – School Closed to Children	Friday 1st May 2026
May Bank Holiday	Monday 4th May 2026
Half Term	**25th – 29th May 2026**
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday 17th July 2026
2026/27 School Term and Holiday Dates	
Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)	Tuesday 1st September 2026
Staff Development Day (School Closed to Children)	Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Autumn 2026 Term Begins	**Thursday 3rd September 2026**