



JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to everyone.

The children have a busy term ahead with some exciting activities planned. After school clubs begin again (same as last term) today (Monday 15th January). Clubs will change at February half term and a letter will come home in the next few weeks to advise you of the new clubs.

The excitement of the extension is underway, thank you to all the families that have set off a little earlier to ensure their children get to school on time. The only entrance to school will remain the Hull Road Gate (with the exception of Nursery children) for the foreseeable future, should this change we will give you as much notice as possible. We are expecting disruption to our school day over the next few weeks whilst they cut the concrete and pile, ear defenders are available to the children should they find the noise distracting.

Four new classrooms and a hall extension will be built on this site, whilst across the road a new staff only car park is being built. The car park on the school site will be changed to a play area in time. We are hoping that all the works will be completed by September 2024.

Parking remains a problem for the school, and will only get worse whilst the building work is taking place. If you can, please leave your vehicle at home and walk to school or park further away and walk a few more minutes. Hopefully this will ensure the safety of our whole school community.

Our new behaviour policy began last week and the children have been very excited about Golden Time. Each Monday you will receive a text informing you of the behaviour focus for that week. Last week were learning about good manners, this week we will be focusing on honesty. Please speak to your children about their behaviour and help them understand the importance of appropriate behaviour. We will also be texting parents to inform you of exceptional behaviours displayed by individual children but alongside this we will be informing you of any wrong choices when the children have had to move to Amber or Red on our behaviour charts. After reviewing the new system at the end of week one it has been decided that if a child moves to Red on the behaviour chart, they will miss 15 minutes of Golden Time on Friday, rather than 5.

As always, we are operating an open door policy if you have any questions, concerns or comments about your child's education or school in general your child's class teacher should always be your first point of contact.

Members of the management team are available every morning - Mrs Baker (Headteacher) and Mrs Hall (School Business Manager) are on the Reception door, Emma Clifton (EYFS Leader) can be found in her classroom, Mrs Smith (KS1 Leader) KS1 door, Mr Richardson (KS2 leader) KS2 door, Mrs Adams (SENCo) in her office Monday and Tuesday. If you require a longer chat please make an appointment through the school office.

Kind regards

Mrs J Baker

Head Teacher

If you have a child who would like to start in our Nursey in the near future, please contact our school office for an application form.

Staffing

Mrs Moughan our lead Mid Day Supervisor will be leaving her role on Friday 19th January. Mrs Moughan will still be around school in her other role as cleaning supervisor, but I am sure you will join me in wishing her well and thanking her for her commitment to the children over lunchtimes for many years.

I would like to welcome Mrs Elliott to our classroom support team. Mrs Elliott will be working across various year groups this term.

'Together we achieve'

We strongly believe at Barlby that if families and school work together it makes a huge difference to your child's progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender. We are always happy to help. Please just ask, no issue concerning your child is too small to discuss.

DATES FOR DIARY

15th January 2024

Clubs resume

Please also see school website for calendar dates



After School Clubs will
restart the week
commencing 15th January
2024

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2024

	SCHOOL CLOSURES	SCHOOL OPENS
February Half Term	Fri 9 th Feb 2024	Mon 19 th Feb 2024
Easter Holidays	Fri 22 nd Mar 2024	Mon 8 th Apr 2024
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 6 th May 2024	
May Half Term	Fri 24 th May 2024	Mon 3 rd June 2024
Summer Holidays	Fri 19 th July 2024	

TRAINING DAYS 2024 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2024
FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024
MONDAY 22ND JULY 2024

Governors

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Geoff Stockill	Vice Chair/LA Governor
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Ian McKenzie	Parent Governor
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Geoff McConnell	Parent Governor
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