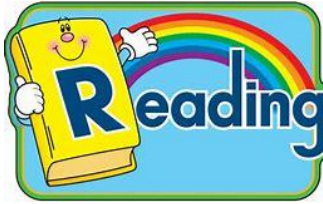


Newsletter: well done to our Year 6 children for such a positive hardworking attitude towards the end of Primary tests, we are very proud of everyone. I hope everyone enjoyed Art Day - we saw some fantastic work. A reminder that we finish at the usual time on Friday for a week, we return on Monday 4th June Jayne Kennedy



Focus – Barlow Hall Reading Centre

Did you know that Barlow Hall teachers, teaching assistants and children have been supporting hundreds of schools to improve the teaching and learning of reading for many years? Teaching reading is particularly hard

as we all learn to read in different ways and understanding the message we are reading can be challenging. Our greatest goal is for our children to enjoy reading and want to read more! The standard of reading at Barlow Hall is much higher than national average levels so many schools across Greater Manchester and beyond are eager to visit Barlow Hall to learn more about what helps our children to achieve so well.



Fiona Botterill is a Reading Recovery Teacher Leader and trains experienced teachers to become **Reading Recovery** Teachers like Ms Roche, Mrs Mendieta and Mrs Higginbottom.

Fiona was Barlow Hall's first Reading Recovery Teacher about 12 years ago and she says that Barlow Hall is like her second home! 'It's such an inspirational place to work as all the staff and children are so passionate about reading!' We support schools to improve reading standards across the whole school especially through **Guided Reading**. This is a group reading lesson at the child's level. When we support other schools, a group of children do their Guided Reading lesson behind a mirrored screen in the Reading Centre and about 20 teachers observe the teaching and learning on the other side of the mirror. The teachers and children are so brave to share their learning with so many strangers from other schools but a live lesson helps the teachers to learn so much more. All children are also observed within the classroom. This happens every half term for about the past 10 years – Barlow Hall is highly respected for its standards and commitment to reading. Other schools always praise the exceptional behaviour of our children and their engagement, and motivation towards reading. This experience reminds the children that they are good readers and builds their confidence with all claps and the praise they hear!



**GROW
@KS3**

We are currently supporting **11 High Schools across Greater Manchester** to help children that find reading harder and to support all children's reading in different subjects at KS3. Reading is needed in every subject including maths and science. Year 6 children are often observed at the screen and have particularly enjoyed meeting Chorlton High staff on

the project. We are so proud of the children as you will be too! Keep them reading every day, keep discussing the story and above all continue to nurture enjoyment and a love of books. They are a credit to you!

Key Stage 1
SATS



Thank you to all the Year 6 children for working so hard towards and during their KS2 Sats. Today marks the start of KS1 SATs for year 2 children. These tests will continue throughout next week so please ensure your child goes to bed early and is relaxed.



School Photographs



School photographs will take place on Wednesday. If you would like younger siblings pictured with a child here at Barlow Hall Please ensure you arrive at the office by 8:30 am. Arrivals after this time will not be able to go to have their photos taken due to time constraints.

Reception Class Admissions



Reception Class

If you know of anyone with a child whose birthday falls between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 who has not applied for a Reception Class place for September please tell them to apply via the manchester.gov.uk website as soon as possible as lists are now being drawn up for those without places.

Please help us to keep our children safe



Week commencing 21st May

Mon – Year 1 SATs Week

KS1 PPA PE kits needed

Tues KS2 PPA - PE Kit required

Wed School photographs

Nursery Parents Speech and Language Workshop 9-10 am

Families Connect Project 1-3

Thur 5AV/2SK Forest School

Y1NA Class Assembly – children's parents welcome

Fri Swimming 4AM + 3/4AC

Break Up 3 pm

child of the week

Well done to those children who have received certificates this week for demonstrating excellent behaviours that are supporting their learning and helping them to achieve well.

Elijah, Amila, Sanaya, Reyon, Inaya, Torie'lee Alice, Nesma Kyrno, Brooke, Matthew, Nehemiah

6AB and 5/6 SP certificates go to all the year 6 children for their great effort during SATs week.

If your child is to receive a certificate in our Celebration Assembly on Monday at 9:10 am we will send out a message on School Cal to let you know

Attendance overview from 7/5/18 to 11/5/18

96.8% Unauthorised Absence 1.8 % Lates: 17

Nur B 92.2%	Nur Y 92.3%	
Rec O 90.3%	Rec P 91.7%	
1NA 94.2%	2SK 96.3%	1/2EH 97.2%
3MJ 93.5 %	¾ AC 92.8%	4AM 99.2%
5AV 98.8% **	5/6SP 100%	6AB. 98.7%

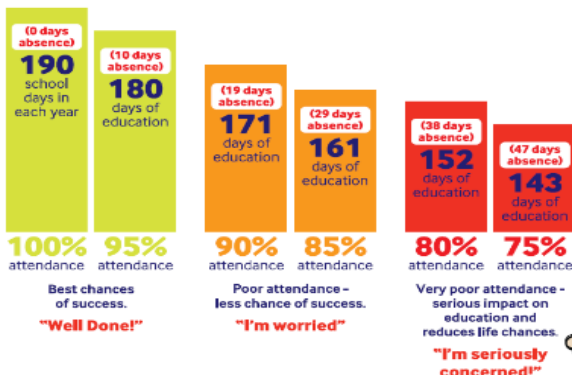
Good attendance means...

being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days

175 days not at school!

All this time for shopping, holidays and appointments

365 days in a calendar year



Did you know? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance a child can achieve is 94.7%



June

Mon 4 Return to school

Tues 5 Nursery and Reception Transition starts

Wed 6 Y5/6 Rights Respecting presentation to parents 2 pm

Thur 7 Nursery Museum trip Blue Gp

Fri 8 Nursery Museum Red Gp

Mon 11 Assessment Week

Y1 Phonics Screening Test

Tue 12 – Nurs+Rec transition 1:30 – 2:30

Thur 14 Rec class trip to Delamere Forest

Thur 14 Y1/2 EH Assembly

Mon 18 – Money Week

Tue 19 Open Day Rec Parents

Thur 21 Y5/6 Blackpool Trip

Mon 25 Y3/4 trip to Simply Cycling

Thur 28 – 3MJ Class Assembly

Term Dates 2017/18



Monday 4th June - Return to school

Friday 20th July Break up 2 pm

No After School Club

September 2018

Monday 3rd School closed – INSET Day

Closed all day to children and parents

Tuesday 4th School Closed – INSET Day

Open for Uniform sales 1 – 2 pm

Wednesday 5th School open to children.



Nursery Waiting List

If you know of anyone who would like to join our Nursery waiting list for a place in

September either in our 2 year old provision, Barlow Bears, or in our Nursery class please ask them to contact the office

to put their children's names on the list. School will then contact parents when a

place becomes available.

PE Kits in school please!



Please make sure that your PE kit is in school every day. This consists of a plain white t-shirt, black shorts or joggingleggings/tracksuit bottoms and black pumps or trainers.