



St Lawrence Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 8 – Friday 3rd November 2023



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Diary Dates

Set 4 th Nov	Bonfire - Barton Village hall Gates open 5.45pm
Sun 12 th Nov	Remembrance service - St Lawrence's Church 10.30am
Tues 14 th Nov	Library bus
Fri 17 th Nov	Non-uniform day - Children in Need
Sat 25 th Nov	Christmas Fayre - Barton village hall
Wed 29 th Nov	Babybeat Christmas shopping event - Barton Village Hall from 6pm
Thurs 30 th Nov	Year 1 trip to Judges Lodgings
Tues 5 th Dec	Library bus
Mon 11 th Dec	Infant Nativity 6pm - details to follow
Tues 12 th Dec	Infant Nativity 2pm & 6pm
Wed 13 th Dec	Community carol concert
Mon 18 th Dec	Whole school trip to the panto - details to follow

If you are concerned about any aspect of school life, we want to know about it as soon as possible. Don't delay, call today! Tel 01772 862664



BONFIRE NIGHT & FIREWORK DISPLAY - TOMORROW

Food, sweets and drinks are available when gates open from 5.45pm, the fire is being lit from 6.15pm and the firework display will start at 6.45pm.

Pre bought tickets have been sent home but entrance is still payable in cash on the gate; £5 per adult and £2.50 per child. Courtesy of Barton Manor hotel Hot pot, Butter pie and cake will be available to buy on the evening. We will also have hotdogs, drinks and stalls with toys and glitter tattoos! We ask that you DO NOT bring Sparklers to this event due to the terms of our insurance please. This is always a fantastic evening; the fireworks are provided by Barton Grange and really are spectacular.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY- YEAR 6 CHURCH PRESENTATION - Sunday 12th November marks Remembrance Sunday and we would like to invite everyone to come and join us in St Lawrence Church for the service at 10.30am. As usual, the Kings Royal Hussars will attend and a bugler will sound the last post following a two-minute silence at 11:00. This is always a very moving service and it is a privilege to open our church to the military who are always so grateful of the children's

support. We welcome the whole school community into church and would like the school to be well represented. Please do come along if you are able. Year 6 are to have an important role in the very special church service at St Lawrence's. To honour this, and as part of our learning in our WW2 topic, **Year 6 will be presenting to the congregation, which will include members of the military and our local community. We would love to see as many of our Year 6 children there as possible. Year 6 should be in church by 10:15 please.** The military will be in uniform and we request that children attending the service are also in full school uniform please.

POPPIES - We have official poppies, wristbands and various poppy items for sale in the main reception. You are welcome to come and have a look and make a donation in the collection box. All money goes to Royal British legion. Year 6 children will also be coming around the classes all next week selling the items so if your child would like to purchase anything please send them in with cash. We suggest 50p - £1 per item.



CHILDREN IN NEED - We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 17th November in aid of Children in Need. Children can come to school wearing something yellow or spotty for the occasion but this is not compulsory! Parents can make donations directly to Children In Need via the item on Parentpay.

NON UNIFORM DAY - Friday 24th November Children can wear non-uniform in exchange for chocolate goodies to generate prizes for our stall at the Christmas Fair; this can be boxes, packs or bars of chocolate, chocolate biscuits, drinking chocolate, chocolate spread, chocolate liqueur, chocolate flavoured cosmetics etc. The possibilities are endless!



CHRISTMAS FAIR - BARTON VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER FROM 11AM - Food will be served in the cafe area and we will have the usual array of stalls and activities including Tombola, Raffle, Handmade cakes & chutneys etc. As usual the school will be running a chocolate tombola stall and we have a very exciting visitor flying in to see the children so please don't miss it!! We will therefore hold a **non-uniform day on Friday 24th November** (see above). The Rose Queen and Retinue are needed for this event please. There are still stalls available to hire please contact: Helen Lees 01772864946

NATIVITY PERFORMANCES - This year the Nativity performances will be -

- Monday 11th December at 6pm
- Tuesday 12th December at 2pm and 6pm

Tickets are available priced at £2 each and will be restricted to two tickets per family per performance. Tickets are not needed for siblings. As we are making a charge for tickets, we will not have our usual retiring collection. If any family requires additional tickets, please contact Mrs Higham by email at bursar@st-lawrence.lanc.sch.uk who will allocate any unsold tickets on a first come, first served basis. Ticket sales will close on Wednesday 6th December.



CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING - Barton Village Hall Wednesday 29th November from 6pm to 9pm. A varied range of stalls including jewellery, homewares, handicrafts, beauty products - all suitable for Christmas presents. There will also be a fantastic raffle and refreshments to purchase. Admission is FREE. For more information or raffle tickets please contact Helen Lees - 01772 864946 or Rachel Lees - 0781320997 ****PROCEEDS GO TO THE BABY BEAT APPEAL****

CRAFTLOCAL - Are you looking for Christmas gifts or do you want to sell your Christmas makes? Please see attached for CraftLocal's Welcome Newsletter featuring local crafters in your area (it also includes details of how crafters can feature for FREE). CraftLocal will be donating 15% to Barton St Lawrence on all sales made, so it would be great if we could support our local crafters!

CO-OP FUNDING - We want to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who nominated us as their chosen charity at the Co-op. We raised an amazing £2036.04 towards our chosen purpose which is Forest schools. We will be purchasing new equipment to enhance our forest schools learning.



CHRISTMAS CARD ORDER - Each Child in School & Nursery has painted a Christmas picture and this has been transformed into a Christmas card with the help of an external company. Parents can purchase Christmas cards, gift tags, mugs and coasters with their child's picture on. There is a tight deadline for orders to be placed but this does mean that you will be prepared early. Please check your child's name carefully and make any amendments on the form. Money can be paid in the form of cash, cheque or parentpay payment. School will receive commission for every order placed. **PLEASE ORDER BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER.**

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2024 - If your child has his or her 4th birthday between 1st September 2023 and 31 August 2024, you must apply for a primary school place before 15th January 2024. **You must apply for a place through Lancashire County Council even if you have already completed our own internal form.**

Closing date for Secondary applications 31.10.23

Closing date for Primary applications 15.01.2024

Online admissions are now open at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools