



# Barrow Hall Community Primary School

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School Web Site: [www.barrowhall.co.uk](http://www.barrowhall.co.uk)

## Fundraising

One of our parents, Martin Williams whose daughter is in Reception is running the Liverpool 'Rock and Roll' Marathon on 28<sup>th</sup> May and is raising money to help further develop the outdoor areas at our school. More details and information about how to sponsor Mr Williams can be found at: [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/barrowhallprimary](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/barrowhallprimary)

## Netball

Two netball matches took place this week against Gorse Covert. One match was drawn and the other was won. As always, the children competed well and represented the school excellently. Well done to all of the children involved and to Mrs Akrill, Mrs Glover and Miss Mills for continuing to support netball at Barrow Hall.

## 'Fidget Spinners'

Over the past few weeks, we have noticed a significant number of children are bringing 'fidget spinners' into school. We are aware that these are marketed as a tool to help children with anxiety/stress, but it seems that, in school, they are being used as a toy. For this reason, I have decided that they will not be allowed in school unless there are specific, individual needs for this. If any parent feels that their child requires such support, we will be happy to meet and discuss this and the options available .

## Last Day of School Year/Leavers Assembly

I would like to apologise for an error in the dates given in the last newsletter regarding the end of term. The **Y6 Leavers' Assembly takes place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July** (as stated) but the **last day of term is Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July** (not 25<sup>th</sup> as stated on the newsletter).

## School Fields

Although the school fields are now dry, they are still under the 'defects period' which means we are not permitted to use them until they are officially 'handed over' to school. For this reason, I would like to remind parents to keep children off the field (including the path that runs through the field) at drop off/collection times until such a time as we are able to use them.

## Key Stage 2 SATS

Key Stage 2 SATs take place next week. These will take place in the upper Key Stage 2 area.

## School Meals - 'Grab and Go'

Over recent years, the school meals service has offered a 'Grab and Go' option during the summer term which has proved popular with some of our children/families. These are a sandwich, biscuit/cake, drink and piece of fruit and will be available for children from next week. Please note that children will be required to eat these in the hall with the other children, other than on days where we let packed lunch children eat outdoors.

## Warrington Youth Club

We have been asked to share information from Warrington Youth Club who are running a holiday club in school holidays. The next holiday club will be on 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> May & 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> of June at Penketh High School, between 8am and 6pm. Further details can be obtained by contacting Sybil Thorne, Youth Club Manager on 01925 581226 or 07718565465.

## Class Photographs

The School photographer will be in school on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May to take Class photographs.

## Colomendy and Scarborough

A reminder that the 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment of £80 for Colomendy and £100.00 for Scarborough is due by 19<sup>th</sup> May.