

Newsletter

31st January 2025

It has been an extremely busy few weeks at Barley

Fields with amazing things going on in school.

Young Voices

This week I had the privilege to accompany some of our Year 5 and 6 children to the 'Young Voices' event at Sheffield Arena. Here our children sang as part of the world's largest children's choir with over 4800 attendees!



The children really put their all into this event, attending regular choir sessions in school and also practising lots at home. It really did pay off! They sang beautifully and were a real credit to our school. Well done everyone!

Many thanks to all the adults who organised, took part in and supported this amazing event. It really was a very long day - especially as the event finished late and the children did not arrive back at school until around 11.30 pm! It was well worth all the effort and is something that will live in the children's memories forever.

Barley Fields PTFA

Out PTA held their annual meeting this week and they have recently been successful in applying for registered charity status. As part of this they now have a new name PTFA. They currently have some amazing behind the scenes fundraising going on — please like and follow their Facebook page to follow their upcoming ideas.

One of these ideas is the Parents Lottery. Parents can purchase tickets and school will receive a percentage of the funds raised. This can be accessed at www.theparentslottery.org website.



They are also continuing to raise funds through easy fundraising. www.easyfundraising.org.uk



1 Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk

2 Sign up and search for us

Our PTFA are always welcoming new members and volunteers and they have some exciting events for our school planned for the rest of this academic year. Please contact Mrs Clarke in the school office if you would like to be involved or help out.

Year 5 Bike-ability

Our children in Year 5 have been very busy the last few weeks completing their bike-ability training. They have been learning how signal, do u-turns and how to safely approach a junction. Some of our children were worried about this at the start of the week but have shown real growth mindset and

buckets of resilience. They have loved every second! Well done Year 5!



Y2 Visit to Captain Cook's Museum

Y2 have had a wonderful time at Captain Cook Museum this week! It really brought their history learning to life and the children loved finding out more about James Cook's life. The children were wonderfully behaved



and we are very proud of them!

Forest School



It has been the turn of our Year 4 children to spend time in Forest School this week. Miss Mallinson's class particularly had a fantastic time and were very helpful in maintaining our pathways by laying fresh bark and mulch. It was a fantastic workout, well done team!

National Careers Week

On the week beginning 3rd March, we will be celebrating National Careers Week. Thank you to

everyone who has come forward but we could welcome more visitors. This event is being organised by Mrs Flores, Mrs Brand, Miss Perkin and Miss Barton and they have already sent out a Microsoft Form regarding Careers Week via Marvellous Me. If you have volunteered you should hear from them shortly or please contact school for confirmation.

Celebrating Chinese New Year



Our Reception children have had a wonderful time celebrating Chinese New Year this week with lots of exciting activities. They even worked collabroatiely to make a chinese dragon and performed a dragon dance. Great work Reception children!

Number Day

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 7 February 2025**. To do this we are asking everyone to



take part in **Dress up for Digits** and having a fun day of full of Maths games and activities. Children are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). You could get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme, design your own t-shirt, hat, or even become a human sized calculator or dice!

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for donations, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event. We've set up a Just Giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/barley-fields-primary-school-

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Food Bank Collection

Next week we will have our Shopping Trolley available in school and on the yard for any donations you may like to make to Thornaby Foodbank.

Attendance Cup

We have had two winners of the attendance cup over the last two weeks. Miss Fairclough's class in Y6 got 100% attendance last week and Miss Lumsden's class in Year 6 got 99% attendance this week. Well done everyone!

Have a lovely weekend and we will see everyone next week.

Love

Mrs Taylor xx

