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### **BBS has talent!**

It was an absolute privilege to watch Year 5 and 6 perform 'Shakespeare Rocks' last week. The children were all outstanding in their performances. Enthusiastic singing, dancing and the children's wonderful comic timing really captivated the audience. We were so impressed by them all. Thank you to parents for all of the help with costumes and line learning and to the staff who worked extremely hard to produce such an impressive performance in a limited time!

On Thursday, the children in Jupiter class took part in a large-scale performance to celebrate the 950th year of Selby Abbey. Ten Selby District schools had the opportunity to write brand new songs about the Abbey and its history, which were performed within the Abbey itself as part of a celebration of its heritage. We were delighted to be involved in this event and the children were so enthusiastic in their performances. Next year, we are eager to establish a school choir; we certainly have many talented children who will hopefully be eager to be involved! I hope any parents who were able to attend the performance enjoyed it as much as I did.

Photos of the event will be emailed to school and these will then be shared with you. It is also possible to purchase a recording of the event for a cost of £6.

### **Summer Fair**



Thank you for your support at the summer fair. It was a fantastic event, which was very well attended. The Year 6 did an excellent job of designing and running stalls and the visit from Minster FM made it extra special this year! Thank you to the FoBBS and parent helpers who worked so hard to make the event such a success. In total, £600 was raised, money which will go far in supporting your children in school. Next year, we have projects including developing the gardening resource and creating a sensory garden; this fundraising is a brilliant start to the larger projects in school.

### **Celebration Picnic**

On the last day of term, we will be having a picnic to celebrate the end of the year and to bid farewell to the Year 6 leavers. Parents and carers are invited to come to school from 1.00pm to join the children for this picnic. You are welcome to bring your own food and refreshments to this (no alcohol please). The kitchen team will be preparing a cold lunch option that day, and children having a school lunch can eat this at this time too. It would be great if you could bring a picnic rug with you please! There will also be a selection of playground games to play. This event is weather dependent and will be cancelled if heavy rain is forecast.



### **End of Year Reports**

Today, you will receive your child's report, which details their academic achievement and efforts in school this year. As you can imagine, a huge amount of work goes into preparing these reports and we would be grateful if you could sign and return the slip enclosed, adding any comments you may have. If you would like to arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher before the end of the year, please also indicate this on the slip. You will see the attendance information detailed on the report. The minimum expectation for each child at Barlby Bridge is 96%. This information is reported in this way to support you in monitoring your own child's attendance and making improvements, if necessary. I trust that you are satisfied with the information provided about classes next year, I am more than happy to discuss any questions or queries about this. The children will have the opportunity to meet their new class teachers on Wednesday afternoon.



## Healthy Schools Launch

### Article written by Gloria- Year 5

On Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July our healthy schools team went to Harlow Carr- Harrogate to a healthy schools launch event. So they could launch the new award schools in North Yorkshire can work towards in September 2019. At this event we did fun workshops. Our first was about planting and planning where we planted our own squash. This gave us an idea to set up a school garden to grow our healthy food. The food that we plant could be used by the cooks in our school meals. The second workshop was healthy schools pupil voice. We talked about how we could make schools a healthier and happier place to be. We decided the best solution to every problem is to make the school a good place to be. Workshop 3 was active lifestyles. We played a variety of different team games we could play at school. They were all really fun and got you active. All of them are easy to play and you only need cones to set them up. Our final workshop was food in schools with the chef. He made us healthy wraps that were delicious and talked to us about healthy eating. We are looking forward to starting healthy eating in school in September. The launch day was an exciting way to think about being happy and healthy. We think it was a successful day and had lots of fun doing it!



## Pre-loved Uniform

Thank you for all of the donations of school uniform received into school. We have a waiting list for items, in particular for logoed t-shirts, sweatshirts and cardigans. If at the end of the year, your child has outgrown items and you are able to donate them for re-use, that would be greatly appreciated. Many thanks.

## Charity Support

You should have received a letter last week asking for support for two charity events. The first to increase Food Bank supplies over the summer holiday through the 'Cans in the Park' campaign. Canned food donations can be brought into school between now and the 16<sup>th</sup> July. The second project is to support children in Milawi with clothing and stationary supplies. Thank you for your generosity in supporting both of these important projects. The letter with further information about the projects is available on the school website. If your family would benefit from Food Bank vouchers over the summer holiday these can be collected from the school office or you can contact school via [admin@barlbybridge.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@barlbybridge.n-yorks.sch.uk).

## Important Dates for your Diary

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School Reports Home
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 SATS results
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Barlby High Parent Transition Meeting
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Children visit new classes and new EYFS starters visit
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 at Crucial Crew
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Leavers' Disco
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Venus Forest Schools Open morning- 9.00am
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Leavers' assembly and celebration picnic- 1.00pm
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School closes at 2pm for Summer Holidays
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Teacher training day
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	School opens
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Selby High Parent Open Evening
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Brayton High Open Day
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Parents' evenings
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Flu vaccinations (whole school). Letter to follow
<b>ADVANCE NOTICE- BANK HOLIDAY DATE MAY 2020</b>	PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE – MAY BANK HOLIDAY IS NOW FRIDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020.

## Attendance

We come to the end of this school year with an overall attendance rate of 96.3%. At the start of the year, the target was for whole school attendance to increase to at least 96%. We are extremely pleased to celebrate this overall improvement and thank you to all parents and carers for supporting this aim. The percentage of pupils identified as persistently absent from school (attendance below 90%) has also reduced significantly. To reward the children for their efforts, there will be a whole school movie afternoon next week and the children in Jupiter class, who were the overall attendance champions with a rate of 97.3%, are being rewarded with a bowling trip. All children with 99% + attendance at the end of the year will also receive a special medal in the attendance celebration assembly next week.



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