



BARTON BULLETIN NO.26— 27th March 2026

Our School's Theologically Rooted Christian Vision is based on Matthew 7 vs 12

'Do to others as you would want them to do to you'

Our vision is taken from Matthew 7:12 "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you", following Jesus' example. We work together to help and support each other to believe, nurture, grow and flourish together in our learning and in our relationships, exemplified in the Parable of the Sower. We do this through our six core values: love, respect, integrity, justice, thankfulness and determination. Inspired by our vision, we want our pupils to make good choices academically and socially, to become creative and independent thinkers, evidencing a love for learning and a thirst for knowledge.

We aspire to promote the skills needed to persevere with learning challenges and the curiosity to enquire further. Our Christian ethos and school values focus on developing children's moral, spiritual, social and cultural understanding. These are woven, like a golden thread, into every aspect of school life.

Farewell, Mrs. Julie Martin Headteacher, Barton Primary School, September 2020 – Easter 2026

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."

Dr. Zeuss



Jeremiah 29:11:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".

The end of an era is finally upon us, and today we bid a fond farewell to our wonderful Headteacher, Julie Martin, after the best part of six years at the helm of our amazing school. Her influence, vision and legacy will live on in our Barton Bs, our Golden Rule and the values she has instilled in our community through all her hard work and dedication. Our gratitude is immense and we have tried to express the sincerity of our appreciation in a variety of different ways over the last couple of days.

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On Thursday evening, governors, volunteers and staff gathered together at Burwash Manor’s Secret Garden to raise a toast and enjoy a fun Mrs. Martin-trivia-quiz. Some of the answers were quite surprising! For example, did you know that if Mrs. Martin has the time, she would like to join a choir and enjoy a future life filled with music and singing? Our Co-Chair of Governors, Caroline Parsons, led the toast and much cake and tea was consumed in Julie’s honour. We presented her with a beautiful memory book of photos and messages, collated by the fantastic Mrs. Tarring and a delicate sketch depicting the school building from Governors. Thank you to all the willing helpers who supplied crockery, food and supported us with set-up and clear down duties. It was such a compliment to Mrs. Martin that so many of her professional colleagues, friends and associates gave up their time to make this such a special event.



The following morning, our Friday collective worship rounded off our long goodbye to Mrs. Martin with a truly community-based, heartfelt celebration of Julie’s contribution to our school life. All elements of our school community were represented: the children sang hymns and shared their memories of Mrs. Martin; parents shared anecdotes reflecting the impact Julie’s work has had upon their own family wellbeing; a parent band, led so ably by Mr. Halford, regaled us all with some uplifting tunes; the teachers performed a fantastic synchronised swimming skit (choreographed by our amazing Mrs. Nicklin) and Rev. Claire Robertson composed and played a piano piece, created in Julie’s honour.



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It was a terrific and emotional coming together of our school community. Our special guests included Belinda Harvey from the local education authority, Louise Lomax from Ely Diocese, and, most special of all, Julie's husband, daughter and members of her wider family who came to support her on this most emotional of farewells. Thank you to all the many people who worked hard behind the scenes to make this send off a memorable and enjoyable event.

At the end of our final assembly, Julie was presented with a beautiful painting, commissioned specially for her from <https://chrisduffettart.com/>. It is inspired by *Isaiah 40.31* '...but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.' We hope, wherever it is hung, that it will evoke happy memories of teamwork and great achievement throughout a long and successful career.





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Little did we know that Mrs. Martin had also already asked the same artist to create a painting for the school as a reminder of her time at Barton! We are delighted to have such a striking keepsake to remind us of Mrs. Martin's time with us and we shall hang it with pride for all to see.

It has been a privilege and an honour to work with Mrs. Martin and we wish her the best of everything in the weeks and months ahead. On behalf of the whole school community we thank her, one last time, for everything she has done for us all.

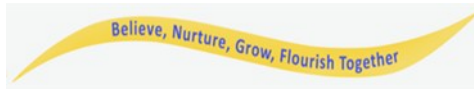
Mrs. Martin, "May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace" Numbers 6:24-26.

End of Term Wind and Brass Band Performance

On Tuesday morning, Ben and Louis, our brass and wind band teachers, led year 5 and 6 in an end of year performance of tunes the children had chosen for themselves from their repertoire. What a treat it was for us all! The children have made tremendous progress over the year with their tuning, time keeping and music reading and it was lovely to see them play so confidently in front of an audience of parents and pupils. Well done wind and brass bands! We enjoyed your performance enormously!



We wish everyone in our lovely school community a restful, peaceful and happy Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all once again on Tuesday 14th April when we will welcome Mr. Lee Mayes as our Interim Headteacher for the Summer Term.



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FOBS QUIZ NIGHT

Please do join us at our Quiz night to raise funds for school on the first Saturday of next term.

To sign up, email friendsofbartonschool@outlook.com

or visit the following link:

<https://forms.gle/7bsu2iD>

Friends of Barton School

Charity Quiz Night

£10 Per Person inc nibbles

SATURDAY | BARTON VILLAGE HALL

18th April 2026

DOORS OPEN AT : 7PM
QUIZ STARTS AT : 7.30PM

Drinks Bar & Raffle Prize Draw

Pre Booking Required
Sign up at Conkers Village Store
or by email:
friendsofbartonschool@outlook.com

Support Barton C of E Primary School and donate today!

BARTON C of E SCHOOL

Instructions:

- 1 Open your phone's camera app.
- 2 Point it at the QR code.
- 3 Follow the steps to donate.

We are hugely grateful for your kindness and generosity.

Friends of Barton School
Registered Charity No. 1029212
www.friendsofbartonschool.com

FOBS NEWS AND EVENTS

FOBS have a QR code for donations, just scan the code with your phone's camera and it will take you to the FOBS Just Giving Page.

Amazon Wishlists

Garden Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/aeKTeng>

Robin Class Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/jeA9hhv>

Kingfisher Class Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/iVJetZK>

Swallow Class Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/2ZoaTze>

Skylark Class Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/003PcpL>

Owl Class Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/8vE1QM>

Safeguarding at Barton CofE (VA) Primary School

Mrs. Julie Martin and Ms. Wendy Bartlett are the designated safeguarding leads at Barton Primary School.

If you have a concern about a child, please inform any member of staff. If you think a child is at immediate risk of harm you can access further advice and guidance here: [Safeguarding children and child protection | Cambridgeshire County Council](#)



Health and Safety

Tips for a happy, healthy and safe Easter:

- Keep boiled eggs refrigerated and ensure they are consumed within two hours.
- Supervise young children around small chocolate eggs to prevent choking.
- Keep decorations/candles away from pets and children.
- Practice good hygiene at petting farms, keep dogs on leads around livestock,



New Summer Term Menus

Menu

Week 1 Summer Term 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni cheese	Make your own chicken wraps	Vegetable quiche	Pizza pinwheels	Fish fingers
Option 2	Creamy tomato pasta	Make your own vegan chicken wrap	Jacket potato with cheese, beans or tuna.	Pepper pizza pinwheels	Crispy dippers
On the Side	Garlic bread Salad	Potato wedges Sweetcorn	New potatoes Mixed vegetables	Sunshine rice Salad	Chips Peas Baked beans
Lighter Bite	Cheese wrap Tuna mayo wrap	Egg sandwich Cheese sandwich Ham sandwich	Cheese wrap Ham wrap	Cheese sandwich Ham sandwich	Baguette with tuna Baguette with cheese
For Dessert	Ice cream Fruit yoghurt Fresh fruit	Coconut jam sponge Yoghurt Fruit	Fruit platter Yoghurt	School biscuit Yoghurt Fruit	Ice lolly Fruit Yoghurt

We would like to inform parents that with effect from April, school meals will be increasing in price to £2.90 per day for KS2 pupils due to the increasing cost of food.

Please continue to order all school meals in advance on ParentPay. Thank you!

Menu

Week 2 Summer Term 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheesy broccoli pasta	Sausage roll	Chicken burger	Omelette muffins	Fish fillet
Option 2	Neopolitan pasta	Meat free hotdog	Vegetarian burger	Jacket potato with baked beans	Vegetable fingers
On the Side	Garlic bread Sweetcorn	New potatoes Salad	Potato wedges Baked beans	Couscous Broccoli	Chips Peas
Lighter Bite	Cheese wrap Tuna wrap	Tuna sandwich Cheese sandwich	Cheese wrap Ham wrap	Cheese sandwich Egg sandwich	Baguette with tuna Baguette with cheese
For Dessert	Fruit cocktail Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Yoghurt with granola and honey Fruit	Chocolate crispy cakes Yoghurt	Shortbread Yoghurt Fruit	Arctic roll Fruit Yoghurt



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PARENT REMINDERS

- Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

Please order your hoodies before Friday 10th April: [Year 6 Leavers Hoodies – Fill in form](#)

- Class Photos

Class photos will be on Monday 20th April, please ensure your children are wearing full school uniform.

WELCOME WEDNESDAYS

Summer Term
15 th April
6 th May
3 rd June
1 st July



We would like to wish all our families a happy and peaceful Easter break.

Dates for the Diary

March

27th Last day of term

April

13th Inset day

14th First day of the summer term

18th FOBS quiz

20th Class Photos

21st Reception/Year 1, selected children, National Dental Survey

28th Writing Week 3—whole school trip to Wimpole Hall (financed by Mayor’s Day Out)

School Clubs—Summer Term

Please see the table below for details of confirmed clubs. We are delighted to offer 2 new football clubs and a new chess club next term. Details are also on the school website under the “Parents” tab — “School Clubs”

Before and After School Clubs - Summer Term 2026

Day and Club	Dates	Times	How to Sign-up
Monday			
KS1 Football (Reception to Year 2)	Starts 20 th April	3.20 – 4.00pm	Apply to the school office, office@barton.cambs.sch.uk
Kings and Queens Chess Club (Years 2 - 6)	Starts 20 th April	3.20 - 4.20pm	Please see the QR code on the flyer in the bulletin/on the window at school. admin@kingsandqueenschessclub.co.uk
Tuesday			
Archery (Year 3 - Year 6)	Starts 14 th April	3.20pm – 4.20pm	Apply to Perfect Aim Archery info@perfectaimarchery.co.uk
Arts and Crafts NOW FULL	Starts 21 st April	3.20-4.20pm	£5 per week for 11 weeks (last session 7 th July), apply to the school office.
Wednesday			
Y5/Y6 Tag Rugby foundation@crufc.co.uk	Starts 22 nd April	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Apply to Cambridge Rugby Football Club https://forms.office.com/e/ySxhi7eBFj
KS2 Boys Football Club	Starts 15 th April	12.30 – 1.10pm	Alex Minei, alex_minei@yahoo.co.uk
Thursday			
Boxercise (Years 4,5&6)	Starts 16 th April – 6 weeks to May half term.	8.10 am – 8.40 am	Run by Mrs. Nicklin, apply to School Office office@barton.cambs.sch.uk
KS2 Girls Football Club	Starts 16 th April	12.30 – 1.10pm	Alex Minei, alex_minei@yahoo.co.uk
Gardening Club - Open to all	Starts Thursday 16 th April	Lunchtime	No sign up necessary, just listen for the bell!
Ballet/Modern Dance (All Years)	Starts 16 th April - 6 weeks to May half term.	Classes from 3.20 pm – 6.00 pm	Apply to Emina Nicklin, Emina’s Dance Academy eminadanceacademy@hotmail.co.uk
Friday			
STEM Club	YR-Y2: 17 th April Y3-Y6: 17 th April	3.20pm-4.20pm	Apply to Little Science Heroes emilia4science@gmail.com The theme will be forensic science, spaces are still available in the KS2 group.
Private Music Lessons			Please contact the school office if your child is interested in private music lessons.



Congratulations to Alba and Edward in Swallow Class whose home learning project was published in the BSS Bulletin this month!

TWO SCHOOL PROJECT EQUATORIAL SUNDIALS

ALBA and EDWARD

This article describes two entries for the BSS Sundial Design Awards Scheme, 2021–2025.

These sundials are about 25 cm tall and were made in November 2025 for a year 4 school project. The multi-coloured one is Alba's and the white one is Edward's. Each sundial is a 3D-printed equatorial with a string gnomon. We didn't have time to add a bead nodus but we will. The dial can be adjusted for a range of latitudes. It can be set up very easily on any level surface.



The hour numbers on the equatorial ring are marked by hand on Edward's sundial and printed onto Alba's sundial. Learning about sundial making has been fascinating and extremely fun.

Alba and Edward



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Other local activities/information

Join us to have fun and learn archery at our after school club where you can work your way through the different levels to earn badges! We'll be at Barton School on Tuesdays 3:20 - 4:20 pm for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and will use real bows with adapted soft arrows to learn how to shoot safely, play games and have lots of fun shoots!

www.perfectaimarchery.co.uk
info@perfectaimarchery.co.uk
07395 540775

An event for children to explore the whole of the Easter Story (from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday) using videos, games, activities, crafts and more. This free event will be on Good Friday, 3rd April, from 10.30-11.30am at Comberton Baptist Church. To reserve a place and for more information visit: <https://combertonbaptistchurch.churchsuite.com/events/ljjicqsa>

Come and explore

The Easter Story - brick by brick

Go Chatter

for children aged 4 to Year 6

Friday 3rd April 2025 | 10.30-11.30am

Registration: www.c-b-c.org.uk Comberton Baptist Church

MUSIC LESSONS

GUITAR, FLUTE,
CLARINET,
SAXOPHONE

10 lessons per term, billed at the start of every term or half term.

1:1 lessons: £96 every 5 weeks

1:2 lessons: £48 every 5 weeks

For more information:
alanemmsmusic@gmail.com

KINGS AND QUEENS CHESS CLUB PRESENTS

CHESS CLUB

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£7

PER SESSION!

BARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY MONDAY 15:20 TO 16:20

YEAR 2 - YEAR 6

SIGN UP!

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KINGSANDQUEENSCHESS.CO.UK
ADMIN@KINGSANDQUEENSCHESS.CO.UK



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We're having an
EASTER PAW-TY
Everyone is welcome, especially your pooch!
FRIDAY 3rd APRIL | 10AM - 4PM
NATIONAL HORSERACING MUSEUM, NEWMARKET

Fun Dog Show | Dog Agility Demos
Canine Crafts | Refreshments | Puppuccinos

ADULTS £6 | CHILD £4 | UNDER 3's FREE

SCAN the QR CODE
to book your tickets NOW!

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN EASTER PAW-TY AT THE NATIONAL HORSERACING MUSEUM!

Entertainment begins at 10.30am
Join us for a pet blessing by the Revd So from our neighbouring All Saints Church.

Our Fun Dog Show will commence at 11.00am
Classes range from the Best Rescued Dog, Fancy Dress (dogs and owners to dress up) and Easter PAW-TY Pooch of the Day.

Live Dog Agility Demo by Anglian Dog Works
Watch as Anglian Dog Works members practice for real agility shows.

Take part in a variety of have-a-go opportunities in our Peter O'Sullivan Arena.

Get Crafting
Free crafting station including badge making, colouring and dog bandanas.

Bouncy Castle & Facepainter

Browse our stands, for you and your 4-legged friend
Including pet portraits, professional photographer and refreshments available to purchase throughout the day.

FUN DOG SHOW - CLASSES

FROM 11AM	FROM 2PM
1. Puppies under 1 year old	7. Treason's Dog
2. Prettiest Bitch	8. Trick for a Treat
3. Most Handsome Hound	9. My Best Friend
4. Golden Child	10. Fancy Dress
5. Best Rescued Dog	11. Best of The Best
6. Sausage Dog Star	12. Easter PAW-TY Pooch of the Day

Rosettes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th place.
Entry to each class is £2 - available to purchase on the day.

2026 Squash Camps

Comberton Squash Club

Easter: 7th Apr to 9th Apr 2026

Summer: 3rd Aug to 7th Aug 2026

Summer: 25th Aug to 28th Aug 2026

10am to 3pm
For Ages 7 to 14
£30 per day

For more information email:
info@combertonsquash.com or
contact Graham Wesson - 07739828423
www.combertonsquash.com

Beds, Cambs & Northants

The Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs and Northants

Cambourne and Trumpington Meadows Family Events Apr-June 2026

Member of the Wildlife Trust BCN?
Our member benefits include a discount on events!
Find out more here: wildlifebcn.org/join

Cambourne: Wild in the Woods

Wed 1st April: Dens, sticks and tools
Wed 27th May: Picnic in the orchard
Sat 27th June: Pond dipping and wild walk

Trumpington Meadows: Wild in the Meadows

Sat 25th April: Outdoor art
Thurs 28th May Picnic in the orchard
Sat 13th June: Pond dipping and wild walk
Sun 21st June: Community Nature Day