

BARTON BULLETIN

No. 36—26th June 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.

Thank you so much for your flexibility and understanding this week as we navigated our way through this heatwave. All the strategies implemented were to keep everyone safe and comfortable, using the advice from the Department of Education and the Local Authority. We appreciate that you received many emails throughout the week and we apologise again for having to cancel so many events.

Looking ahead to next week (whilst hoping for cooler temperatures), we have our rescheduled sports day on Monday 29th June and Barton's Got Talent on Friday 3rd July. For sports day, the School Lane gate will open at 12:45pm and the events will start at 12:55pm. For those parents who are unable to attend, if you would like your child to have refreshments from FOBS, please complete this form and make a BACS payment to FOBS: [Permission for children to have refreshments after Sports Day – Collaboration](#). For Barton's Got Talent, the School Lane gate will open at 4:45pm. Seating will be provided for this event. We also look forward to seeing you at our final Welcome Wednesday for this academic year on 1st July.

As always, thank you for your support and have a lovely weekend.

Mr Lee Mayes

BUSY BARTON

- Robin class learnt about letter writing ready to write letters to pen pals.
- Kingfisher class learnt about how Muslims show respect to Allah using artwork.
- Swallow class enjoyed reading their new book 'The Lost Thing'.
 - Skylark class thoroughly enjoyed their Micro:bit workshop at St John's College (see page 4 for more information).
- Owl class used their ratio and proportion maths skills to draw and paint real size lego models

ATTENDANCE

School target—96%

Current - 96.1%

Well done to Kingfisher class for having the highest class attendance this week.

PE DAYS

Robin class - Friday
Kingfisher class—Friday
Swallow class—Wednesday
Skylark class - Wednesday
Owl class—Monday

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Be safe, be respectful, be learners

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FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Last Friday, we welcomed many fathers in school for breakfast. Croissants were served, along with a range of drinks, and activities were enjoyed, including lego, card games, making paper aeroplanes and wordsearches. It was such a lovely event! Thank you for coming and I hope you enjoyed it! Thank you so much to all the staff for helping set up and serve too.



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BAWDSEY MANOR PARENT PRESENTATION

Last Friday, our year 5 and 6 children presented their residential experiences to parents. It was wonderful to hear all about the activities, food, games and accommodation. The children presented brilliantly and it was great to see their Powerpoint Presentations too. Thank you to everyone who attended - I really hope you enjoyed listening to their stories and finding out about their residential stay.



SWIMMING

Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit and brings a swimming bag, swimming costume (one piece for girls), towel and outdoor shoes to wear from the classroom to the pool area that can get wet (flip flops or crocs). All items to be clearly named please. Goggles are not required. A sunhat and sun cream need to be packed too as the children may have to wait at the poolside.

Robin class - Monday
Kingfisher class—Tuesday
Swallow class—Tuesday
Skylark class - Friday
Owl class—Thursday

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YEAR 5 VISIT TO ST' JOHN'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

On Tuesday, Skylark class were invited to St. John's College School in Cambridge for a morning of robotics. The children spent a fantastic morning learning how to program a Micro:bit to drive a buggy. The first challenge was to program it to 'draw' a square – not as easy as it first seemed! After a lot of testing and trying again, we began to see success around the room! After a lovely playtime climbing a beautiful willow tree and enjoying some fresh air, we returned to the computing suite to learn and try out some new techniques – including making the buggy perform like a dressage horse in the Olympics and then, finally, using two Micro:bits to make the buggy operate by remote control. The 'Robot Wars' style battle at the end was a noisy, and very exciting, end to the morning!

The staff at St. John's were so friendly and welcoming, and we were grateful that they provided the transport to and from the school and led the excellent session for us. After a short tour of the school and grounds (and a very welcome ice lolly!) we returned to Barton having had such a lovely morning. If you are interested in visiting the school, their open day is on Saturday 4th July – an appointment can be booked by emailing admissions@sjcs.co.uk.



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TA ADVERTS

We currently have 2 vacancies in school (see details below):

Part-time Teaching Assistant required from September to work 1:1 with a named child in Y6. This is a fixed term position until July 2027. Term-time only.

Full-time Teaching Assistant for September 2026 to work 1:1 with a named child in Reception. Job-share arrangements also considered, term-time only.

Closing date: 9am Monday 6th July 2026

Interview: Friday 10th July 2026

Please speak to the school office or visit our website for the job description, person specification and application form.

If you'd like more information, please speak to Mr Lee Mayes.

We'd appreciate it if you could spread the word.



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Uniform Exchange Opportunity

Sustainability and Carbon Emission Reduction

Weeks commencing 29 06 26 and 06 07 26



As part of our drive to become a Zero Carbon Emission school, we would like to encourage families to consider choosing second hand uniform, where possible, rather than buying brand new, especially for their spare or third uniform set.

To this end, we have organised a Uniform Exchange Opportunity as described below. If it proves successful and popular, we would like to repeat this initiative at regular intervals throughout the year.

Step 1: Donate serviceable uniform, including PE Kit, week commencing 29 06 26

Please bring in any useable uniform that your child has grown out of for recycling at school. Give them to your class teacher or the office. Ensure that they still have some serviceable life left in them and that they are clean. Older items need to be recycled through supermarket recycling centres or doorstep bag pick-ups instead.

Step 2: Uniform exchange week 06 07 26

We will display all the donated uniform in size order on tables on the school playground before and after school (school hall if the day is wet) on Monday 6th July. We will then make sure it remains available all week outside the main school reception.

Step 3: Collect any pieces of uniform you wish from the exchange tables and add any more of your own to the selection onto similar sized tables. Take as many items as you want – there is no limit. We are really hoping that all donations will find new owners and that all the used uniforms will live on for a year or two longer.

Step 4: Make a small donation, if you can, to the school using the link below, somewhere between £1 and £5 would be appropriate in total. There is no need to donate separately for each item taken; one donation, regardless of the number of items you take.

The money collected will be put towards other projects within school throughout the year.

This initiative forms one small piece of our Climate Action Plan for the academic year 2026 – 2027. Please look at our dedicated web page for more information as our plan is developed and implemented towards achieving our Zero Carbon goals. [Barton Primary CAP](#)

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MILK FOR PUPILS RECEIVING FREE SCHOOL MEALS



From September 2026, eligibility for Free School Meals in England will be expanding. All pupils from households receiving Universal Credit will be entitled to free school meals, as the current income threshold is being removed. All pupils, who are eligible for free school meals, are also entitled to free milk funded by the school during the school day.

Please visit the website below for more information on how to sign up to receive milk for your child in receipt of Free School Meals:

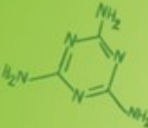
[Free School Meals Milk](https://coolmilk.com/freeschoolmealmilk) (<https://coolmilk.com/freeschoolmealmilk>)



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NEW SCIENCE CLUB FROM SEPTEMBER



A SUPER COOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB IS STARTING SOON AT YOUR SCHOOL!

1 Hour weekly interactive science club full of exciting demonstrations and hands-on projects

Register here: <https://madsciencehb.classforkids.io>



Barton Primary School

Club Day: Wednesday	Start Date: 16/09/26
Year Groups: Yrs 1- Yr 6	End Date: 09/12/26
Time: 15:20- 16:20	Skip Date: October H/T
Club Cost: £168 / 12 wks	

Topics: Geology Rocks, Lights Colour Action, Rockin Rockets, Cell City and more...



Need to reach us?
T: 01727824700 E: info@madsciencehb.co.uk
W: hertsbeds.madscience.org

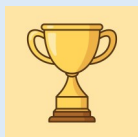
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REMINDERS

- Please could all parents of children in Years 3 and 4 complete the Form here ahead of the Grafham Water trip (letter sent 01/06/26): [Grafham Water Activity Centre - Day Visit – Fill in form](#)

HOUSE POINTS

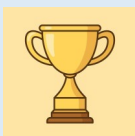


WATER— 229

EARTH— 211

FIRE— 284

AIR— 246



GOLDEN CERTIFICATE

WINNERS



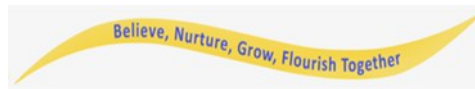
Due to the heatwave, we did not have our usual Friday celebration.



PARKING

We have been contacted by Neil Kirkland, owner of The Hoops pub, who has asked us to remind all parents **not** to park in his pub car park at any time of the day, even for short periods. The car park is for his customers and staff only. We have a longstanding agreement with Burwash Manor that parents may use their parking facilities and then walk through the back exit onto School Lane.





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DIARY DATES

Dates changed or added are in red

Monday 29th June	Sports day
Wednesday 1st July	Welcome Wednesday
Thursday 2nd July	Y6 secondary school transition day
Friday 3rd July	Y6 secondary school transition day
Friday 3rd July	Barton's Got Talent
Monday 6th July	Uniform exchange week
Tuesday 7th July	Wind Band Performance (Yr5 and Yr 6), 2.45pm
Wednesday 8th July	End of year reports sent out
Thursday 9th July	Pupils spend the morning with their new class
Tuesday 14th July	Y6 production 4:30pm
Tuesday 14th July	Swallow class Grafham Water activity centre day visit
Wednesday 15th July	Y6 production 5:30pm
Thursday 16th July	Y6 Leavers Party
Friday 17th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly Last day of term
Monday 20th July	INSET day - children not in school
Tuesday 1st September	Inset day (no pupils at school)
Wednesday 2nd September	First day of the autumn term—pupils in school
Friday 23rd October	Inset day (no pupils at school)
Monday 26—Friday 30th October	Half term

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LOCAL ACTIVITIES & INFORMATION

FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

OPEN TRIALS

TRIALS IN:
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OUR SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS

OUR MISSION: GET CHILDREN OUTDOORS, ACTIVE AND FULL OF ADVENTURE. Every day is packed with imaginative play, creative challenges, outdoor games and hands-on experiences that help children build confidence, make friendships and create lifelong memories.

AGE: Primary school children (School Years 1-6) **PRICE:** £39.50 Tax Free Childcare vouchers accepted
TIME: 8:45am - 3:15pm **FLEXIBLE BOOKING:** Book for a day, a full week or more

WHAT WE DO: Every Holiday Club day is built around a different adventure theme, from Minecraft and NERF to bushcraft, water games, campfire, cookout plus much more. Children enjoy a variety of structured activities, team games, creative challenges and outdoor play throughout the day, with plenty to keep them active, engaged and having fun.

JULY

13 MON	14 TUE	15 WED	16 THU	17 FRI
Bushcraft vs Minecraft	Campfire Cookout	Harry Potter Day	Bushcraft: Fire Master	Toy Story Day
27 MON	28 TUE	29 WED	30 THU	31 FRI
Bushcraft vs Minecraft	Harry Potter Day	Campfire Cookout	NERF vs Machines	Toy Story Day

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

3 MON	4 TUE	5 WED	6 THU	7 FRI
T-Rex Island Adventure	Desert Survival Challenge	Nature Nipos Eco Day	Dragon Training	Ultimate Water Day
10 MON	11 TUE	12 WED	13 THU	14 FRI
Pokémon Adventures	Bushcraft: Fire Master	Harry Potter Day	Bushcraft: Fire Master	Toy Story Day
17 MON	18 TUE	19 WED	20 THU	21 FRI
Harry Potter Day	Bushcraft vs Minecraft	Campfire Cookout	Campfire Cookout	Ultimate Water Day
24 MON	25 TUE	26 WED	27 THU	28 FRI
Dragon Training	Nature Nipos Eco Day	Desert Survival Challenge	T-Rex Island Adventure	Pokémon Adventures
31 MON	1 TUE	2 WED		
BOOK HOLIDAY	Bushcraft: Fire Master	World Super Stick Championships		

Sharing's Caring! Introduce a friend and earn £10 credit when they make their first booking (find your unique code in 'my account')

For more activity details, FAQs and booking information: WWW.THEOUTDOORSPROJECT.CO.UK

Ofsted Registered | Tax Free Childcare and Childcare Vouchers Accepted | Children aged 5-11 (Years 1-6)

www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk

★★★★★
"It's childcare during the holidays they want to go to"

SUMMER OF FUN 2026

UNFORGETTABLE SUMMER MEMORIES

NATURE SCREEN-FREE NINJAS ADVENTURES NERF
WIZARDS OF THE WILD HARRY POTTER DAY TOY STORY ACTION
ULTIMATE WATER DAY
CAMPFIRE DRAGON STAR WARS
COOKOUT TRAINING MISSIONS
BUSHCRAFT VS MINECRAFT
FRESH AIR & SPACE TO BE WILD
ADVENTURE & IMAGINATION
ACTION DEN BUILDING
& GAMES DESERT + TONNES SURVIVAL MORE

WATCHING CHILDREN'S CONFIDENCE GROW AND FRIENDSHIPS FORM AT OUR CLUBS IS ONE OF THE MOST REWARDING THINGS WE DO.
At an outdoors location near you, Ofsted Registered | Tax-Free Childcare and Childcare Vouchers Accepted | Children aged 5-11 (Years 1-6)

★★★★★
"The club helped my daughter make friends and try things she'd never normally do"

★★★★★
"They come home exhausted, rosy cheeked and already asking to come back"

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A small, friendly pre-school with excellent links to Barton school.

"It's a wonderful, supportive and welcoming place for children to play and learn." (Playgroup parent)



[Read our report ↗](#)



BARTON PLAYGROUP

For children from 2-5yrs old

Morning session: 9-12, drop off from 8:50; Lunch club: 12-1

Monday and Thursday afternoon sessions: 1-3

Term-time only; Government funding accepted

Small and friendly - maximum of 12 children per session

Find us on the grounds of Barton Primary School.

For more information, please do get in touch to arrange a visit.

Email: playgroup.barton@gmail.com

Website: www.bartonplaygroup.co.uk

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Barton Playgroup CIO Charity number: 1182885



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