



BARLEY CLOSE TERMLY NEWSLETTER
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The term is flying past and with only 12 school days left we have lots to pack in. Next week the children are meeting their new teachers and finding out where their classrooms will be- we will then let you know. If you are planning to take a term time holiday please let the office know so we can code it correctly.

Mrs Jo Williams



SCHOOL NEWS

The school choir took part in a Hub music festival at Frenchay Primary School. It was amazing and we can't wait for it to happen again next year.

The children were treated to a performance of The Railway Children by a local touring company- they loved it, especially the 3D stage- they will be back at Christmas for the pantomime.

We have had several ex-students return for their work experience, it is lovely to see how they have grown.

What's on your plate have visited the school to help families save money and be more food savvy.

Year 5 and 6 participated in a music festival at the Bristol Beacon, their behaviour was outstanding.

Year 2 had a great day at Chepstow Castle- thanks to all the parent helpers who came along.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Our local library has visited our school to talk with the children about how they can take part in the **2025 Summer Reading Challenge, Story Garden.**

It's FUN and FREE, and all children aged 4 – 11 are invited to take part! Children read any books they enjoy over the summer holiday to collect stickers and rewards including a medal and certificate. Join at a South Gloucestershire library during staffed hours from Saturday 5 July, finishing by Saturday 13 September and **pick up your FREE activity bag.**

FREE holiday activities: 'Buzz & Scuttle' Insect Collage Workshops with illustrator Marian Hill, Story Garden themed crafts and Lego™ clubs.

Find out more at www.southglos.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge or like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/sgloslibraries for the latest updates.



FOBC

FOBC are looking for volunteers to help with the events so please let us know if you can help! Keep an eye around the school for posters and the FOBC Facebook page, as more details for each event are released.

Upcoming events:

Friday 4th July - Break the Rules Day - How many rules will you break?!

Friday 12th September - Happy's Circus - Roll up, Roll up the circus is coming to Barley Close! Tickets on sale now! Check out the FOBC's Facebook page.

BREAKFAST AND OSC

OSC (Out of School Club) must be pre-booked. If you require a space, you can head to Parentpay and pay for the sessions you require as well as adding a note of the dates you want. This is the same for school holidays. If you are able to book then you know your child has a space. If you pay via child care vouchers we will need to send you an invoice, so please email enquiries@barleyclose.org.uk. Bookings for the summer holidays are now open. **Bookings for the summer holidays need to be made by Wednesday 25 June.** We do have a few spaces if you have any last minute bookings that can be made before the end of this term.

This allows us to cancel the provision if we do not have the uptake, giving people plenty of notice to find alternative arrangements. The OSC handbook can be found on the website.

Breakfast club is £2 a day per child and does include breakfast. Please pay in advance on Parentpay and state which days you are paying for in the comments box.



THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO TOWN

On 12th Sept 2025 Happy Circus will be coming to our school field. Tickets are on sale and are £10 per person (under 2yr olds go free) This is an early bird price. The cost will increase to £12 per ticket as of 1st August 2025. The big top will open at 5:30pm and the show starts at 6pm. It lasts 2.5 hrs with a short interval half way through.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
9 July	Move up day- meet your new teacher
15 July	5:30 Yr 6 play
18 July	Pupil of the term
21 July 9:30	9:30- Yr 3 Ukulele assembly for families of Alligator class to attend
22 July	9.30 am – Leavers' assembly End of term
Term dates 2025 - 2026	
	1.9.25 – 24.10.25
	3.11.25 – 19.12.25
	5.1.26 – 13.2.26
	23.2.26 – 2.4.26
	20.4.26 – 22.5.26
	1.6.26 – 22.7.26

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 25-26	
1 st sept	INSET day Child protection
2/9 & 3/9	Rec in am or pm
4/9 & 5/9	Rec in till 1:15
8/9	Rec in full time
12/9	Circus arrives Big top opens at 5:30
23/9	Meet the teacher 3:30-4:30
10/10	INSET
24/10	Pupil of the term End of term

3/11	Back to school
7/11	Individual photos
18/11 & 20/11	Parents evening
25/11	2pm rec '26 visit
27/11	9:30am Rec '26 visit
1/12	INSET
10/12	Xmas lunch 2pm EYFS and KS1 Xmas performance
11/12	9:30 EYFS and KS1 Xmas
19/12	2:45 Pupil of the term End of term
5/1/26	Back to school
8/1/26	YR 6 Lifeskills trip
26/1	INSET
13/2	2:45 pupil of the term End of term
23/2	Back to school
2/3	Class & leavers photos
17 & 19/3	Parents evening
2/4	Pupil of the term End of term
20/4	Back to school
11/5 - 14/5	YR 6 SATS week
18/5 - 22/5	YR 6 camp 2:45 Pupil of the term End of term
1/6	Back to school
26/6	INSET
29/6 - 3/7	Sports week
10/7	Reports going home
17/7	Pupil of the term
22/7	9:30 YR 6 Leavers assembly End of term

INSET DAYS for 25-26 (to help with planning any long weekend
aways!

1st September 2025

10th October 2025

1st December 2025

26th January 2026

26th June 2026