



BARLEY CLOSE TERMLY NEWSLETTER
TERM 6 ISSUE 2 2024-25

As the final term flies by we have met our new Reception intake. They have been in to see their class and met their teacher. We already have dates booked if your child is due to start school in Sept 2026- 25/11 at 2pm and 27/11 at 9:30am.

Mrs Jo Williams



SCHOOL NEWS

The young carers enjoyed a day at the SS Great Britan, catching the local bus and despite the rain all returned with a big smile on their faces.

YR 1 and 6 enjoyed orienteering led by Alex from CSET, sadly this was in the hall due to the weather, but they can all read a map now!

Sarim and Samiat in Yr 6 represented the school at a lego STEM Primary school final at Badminton School. Sadly, we didn't win but their bridge was amazing and the judges commented on their great team work.

This week has been Arts week, thank you Miss Mitchell, Mrs Silbereis and Mrs Hepner for organising a week of art, design, cooking and dance.

You may be aware that the Gromit trail is coming to Bristol again this summer. Each time schools get the chance to have a model that will be on display in the summer. This year we have been fortunate to get a Norbot the gnome. The children have designed one and the winning entries will appear on our final design.

Yr 6 had a great STEM trip to the University as well as a tour of the campus.

MAD Olympiad was held this week for Yr 2 and a KS2 team, the weather was lovely and they all did their absolute best showing great team spirit.

Following our OFSTED in May 2024, the LA regularly come in to see what we are doing. They observe teaching in all classes, look at the curriculum plans, talk to teachers, pupils and look at all the pupil's books. They were in last week and were so impressed with everything we are doing, behaviour was good, children can recall their learning, the wider curriculum is fully embedded in all subjects, teaching is strong across the school and children report enjoying school.



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:

June - Penny Wars - Start saving those 1, 2 & 5 pence pieces!

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.**

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	
27 June	INSET day
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

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

1st September 2025

10th October 2025

1st December 2025

26th January 2026

26th June 2026