



# BARRS COURT PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



This week, our hardworking Year 6 pupils completed their SATs, and we couldn't be prouder of them. They've truly impressed us with their determination and resilience—pushing through challenges without giving up, and showing kindness and empathy by supporting one another throughout. A huge well done to each and every one of them! A huge thank you to the PTFA for buying cakes to celebrate – they were absolutely lovely!

This afternoon, the whole school enjoyed an extended playtime to celebrate filling the GEM jars. GEMs are awarded to children for a wide range of reasons—such as excellent work, acts of kindness, home learning and going above and beyond. More importantly, they reflect our shared values and help to build a strong sense of collective responsibility and belonging. Children across all year groups have worked together to fill the jars, encouraging and supporting each other along the way.

Next week is the last week of term before we break for a one-week holiday.

On Friday 23rd May, our last day of term, we'll be holding a Crazy Hair Day! Children are invited to come to school with fun and creative hairstyles—school uniform should still be worn as normal.

Looking ahead, on Friday 6th June, we'll be kicking off the first week back with our exciting Colour Run event! We're still looking for volunteers to help on the day, so if you're able to lend a hand, please let us know—your support would be very much appreciated.



As the weather continues to warm up, we'd like to remind parents and carers of a few important points to help keep children safe and comfortable at school:

**Please ensure all uniform is clearly named**, including jumpers, cardigans, and especially sun hats. This helps us return any misplaced items quickly and reduces the number of things lost.

**All children should bring a named water bottle** to school each day. Staying hydrated is vital for concentration and well-being, particularly in the warmer weather.

**Please apply sun cream at home before school.** If you would like your child to reapply it later in the day, they may bring a named bottle, but they must be able to apply it themselves.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep the children safe and ready to learn.

### **Pop-up bike repair sessions are at Warmley Wheelers, next to Warmley Waiting Room Café**

South Gloucestershire Council run regular pop-up bike repair sessions at Warmley Wheelers, next to Warmley Waiting Room Café (on the Bristol to Bath Railway Path), on the first and third Wednesday and third Saturday of each month until October. The Dr Bike is able to fix minor repairs and check to make bikes safe and roadworthy!

Our bike mechanic is experienced in providing on-the-spot repairs on bikes of any shape or size, including punctures, slipped chains or skipping gears.

There is a lot of availability for the May and June sessions, which are on:

- Wednesday, May 7 – 10am to 2.15pm
- Saturday, May 17 – 9.30am to 1.45pm
- Wednesday, May 21 – 10am to 2.15pm
- Wednesday, June 4 – 10am to 2.15pm
- Wednesday June 18 – 10am to 2.15pm
- Saturday, June 21 – 9.30am to 1.45pm



To book in a slot please visit: [Free Dr Bike Health Checks by South Gloucestershire Council | Eventbrite](#)

Drop-ins are welcome if available, but it's best to book in advance to avoid disappointment.





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# Bikeability - Cycle Training for the 21st Century

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY CYCLE TRAINING COURSES

### BEFORE BOOKING YOUR COURSE, PLEASE READ BELOW CAREFULLY

- All courses are subject to a £5 Booking Fee which is non-refundable, so please make sure you book the correct course for your child.
- Places are limited so they are booked on a first come basis. Please only book 1 course for each child during the holiday.
- The child must have a roadworthy bike with 2 working brakes and have a properly fitting helmet.

#### **Bikeability Learn to Ride This course is for School Year 3 and above.**

This session is for trainees who **cannot** ride a bike with pedals without stabilisers, including older children who have never mastered the skill. The session lasts 1.5 hours. Riders need time to absorb and practise the Learn to Ride skills, therefore they **MUST NOT** attend a Learn to Ride and a Level 1 course within the same holiday period.

#### **Level 1 This course is for School Year 3 and above who can cycle without stabilisers.**

This session is intended for existing riders to build on their confidence and to learn to control and master their bikes in a space away from traffic such as a playground or a closed car park. For more details about the content go to: [Bikeability Level 1](#) Session lasts 1.5 hours.

#### **Combined Level 1 & 2 This course is for School Year 5 and above who can cycle confidently and with control.**

This is a one-day course from 9:15am – 2:45pm. There is an initial assessment in the playground covering level 1 skills to ensure they are ready for on-road training. Once out on the road, they will learn about road position, which road user has priority and when, and how to recognise typical hazards as well as manoeuvring through junctions. For more details about the content of the course, go to: [Bikeability Level 2](#)

#### **Level 3 Trainees must be in School Year 6 or above. This course is for competent riders. All riders MUST have completed a level 2 course to an acceptable level prior to enrolling on this course.**

*An acceptable level is where on the back of their level 2 certificate each box is ticked either **Independently** or **With More Practice**. If any of the boxes are ticked as either **With Some Assistance** or **Not Yet Attempted** they should attend another Level 2 course. Riders need time to absorb and practise the Level 2 skills, therefore they **MUST NOT** attend a Level 2 and a Level 3 course within the same holiday period.*

This 2-hour course aims to equip riders with skills for more challenging roads and traffic situations such as using multi-lane roundabouts and traffic lights, passing queuing traffic, road narrowing, understanding blind spots and how to perceive and deal with hazards. For more details about the content, go to: [Bikeability Level 3](#)

**Courses are being held at Bradley Stoke Community Secondary School, Fiddlerswood Lane, BS32 9BS**

To book on one of the above courses please log onto <https://southglos.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>  
All Instructors are DBS checked and work for the Council's Road Safety Team. Bikeability certificates are awarded to all trainees who successfully complete the course.

Please note courses are subject to a minimum number of children attending on the date. Locations of training may vary according to availability.



**BOOK  
NOW**





Sponsorship forms are being sent home today. If you've already handed your form in to the office, there's no need to complete another one—unless you'd like to collect even more sponsors!

There's still time to sign up using the QR code on the event poster.

We're also still looking for volunteers to help out on the day. If you're able to spare some time, please do let us know—we'd really appreciate your support!

**FRIDAY 23 MAY 25**



**£1**

## **BARRS COURT PTFA CRAZY HAIR DAY**

The children are encouraged to come to school with their version of a "crazy" hairdo. They can colour it, curl it, make it into something or even wear a crazy hat or wig.

£1 per child and they can either bring cash to school and give this to the PTFA in the playground on the morning of 23.05 or pay online using the above QR code of link in the post:

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# PTFA UPCOMING 2025 EVENTS

**23 MAY 25**

**CRAZY HAIR DAY**

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**6 JUNE 25**

**COLOUR FUN RUN**

DETAILS OUT NOW

**12 JUNE 25**

**MR NICKS ATTENDING SPORTS DAY - FREE  
ICE CREAM FOR ALL CHILDREN OF BARRS  
COURT**

INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

**JUNE 25**

**FATHER'S DAY GIFTS**

INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

**11 JULY 25**

**SUMMER DISCO/FAMILY  
BBQ**

INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

**2 NOV 25**

**FIREWORK DISPLAY**

INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

**29 NOV 25**

**WINTER FAIR**

INFORMATION TO FOLLOW





## Key Dates for the diary

### May

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> - Music Assembly

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> - Chew Valley Reception Trip

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> - Class Photographs

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Westonbirt Blue Area Trip

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Reception 2025 induction evening 5:30-6:30pm

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Last day of term 5

### June

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> - First day of term 6

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Dog Trust Assembly

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - PTFA Colour Run

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day (9-1pm)

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - SCHOOL CLOSED INSET**

### July

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> - New classes released

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> - Parent/carers evenings

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> - Move up afternoon

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July - End of Year Disco and BBQ

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> - Evening performance

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Barrs Court Got Talent

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Last day of term 6

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