



NEWSLETTER



YOUNG VOICES



Last week, I had the absolute pleasure of accompanying members of our school choir to the Young Voices concert at Birmingham's Pulse Arena. An unforgettable experience for everyone involved.

Our children joined over 5,000 other pupils from schools across the country to form a massed choir, performing to a packed arena of more than 8,000 people. The energy and atmosphere were electric, and from the moment we arrived, the excitement was palpable.

The children sang a wide-ranging and ambitious repertoire. All learned and rehearsed over many weeks. Not only was their singing pitch-perfect, but they also embraced the dancing with enthusiasm and confidence. Seeing our pupils sing, dance and smile under the dazzling arena lights was genuinely fantastic .

What made the day even more special was the way the children represented our school. Their behaviour throughout was exemplary especially during the long rehearsals and travel to and from the venue. They took the whole experience in their stride and made us incredibly proud.

This was a unique opportunity for our pupils to be part of something on a national scale, and I'm certain it will stay with them for many years to come. A heartfelt thank you goes to Miss Duce-Jones for her dedication, time and organisation in preparing the children and making the day run so smoothly.

What a fabulous day!!



WINNER





A Reminder About Parking and Road Safety

As the weather gets colder and wetter, we understand that more of our school community may need to drive to school, which can lead to increased congestion at drop-off and pick-up times.

If you do need to drive, please do not stop or park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school gates. These areas are there to keep the space clear and safe for children to cross.



We also ask that you park considerately and avoid stopping close to junctions. Parking near junctions significantly reduces visibility and makes it much more dangerous for children and families trying to cross the road.

There is free and accessible parking available in Asda, behind the curry house, and in designated on-street parking areas nearby. Thank you for helping us keep our children safe.



QUIZ NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Quiz Night – it was a great evening!

A huge thank you to our quizmaster, Mr Walker, who even managed to squeeze in 6/7 round!

Thanks also to Karen for cooking the pizzas, and to the PTFA for organising the bar. All funds raised will be used to support the school.



Tag Rugby League Round 3

Barrs Court entered two teams into Round 3 of the league at Mangotsfield with many players in the "Slimes" team making their tag rugby debuts. A huge well done in particular to all these new players who gave good showings of themselves hinting at a promising future for the team.

The "Camouflage" team did enough to end as overall 5th seeds, qualifying them for finals night.

Well done everyone!



Girls' Cup Quarter Final

St. Mary's Yate 4-2 Barrs Court
Scorer: Amaya (2)

The team faced a strong opponent on a fast pitch in this match. The team struggled to gain momentum in the first half and found themselves 3-0 down at the break. After regrouping, the players managed to pull two goals back with two minutes left. There was nothing left to do but go all-out attack to try and grab an equaliser and force extra-time but this meant that we were a defender short when St. Mary's added a fourth with the last kick of the game. Almost a fantastic comeback. Well done for your efforts girls!

Players of the match: Tia and Amaya



Serie A League Match

Barrs Court Titans 5-0 Barrs Court Giants
Scorers: Jordan, Zac, Blake, Joshua, Ezra

The teams faced each other in challenging conditions on a muddy pitch. On this occasion it was the Titans who emerged victorious. Everyone had a fantastic time despite the weather!

Players of the match: Austin and Henry



Year 3 Friendly

Barrs Court 1-2 Wick Primary

A muddy pitch did little to dampen the spirits of so many children taking part in our latest football fixture. Great to see so many children in Barrs Court colours. Well done to everyone taking part.



The Rockets and Rebels took part in a very wet tournament at Mangotsfield! Between them, they achieved three victories and some fantastic teamwork throughout. Well done everyone.



Team Barrs Court took part in the CSET KS1 Catching and Fielding festival. There were six activities to enjoy and everyone had great fun. Well done all!

FEB Holiday Clubs



8:45am - 4:00pm

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SEND Report Now Available in Video Format

Mr Balch has recorded our SEND report and it is now available to view in the videos section of our school website. Each section of the report has its own video, clearly explaining key areas such as our core universal offer, targeted support, and the specialist interventions we provide for children with additional needs.

You'll also find a downloadable file containing the presentation slides that accompany each video, allowing you to follow along or refer back at your convenience.

We hope this format makes our SEND provision even more accessible and transparent for our families.

Please find find link to the videos [here](#)

SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

SAFEGUARDING TEAM

We are proud to have a strong and dedicated safeguarding team. If you ever have a concern about a child's safety or wellbeing, please don't hesitate to get in touch with one of us:

- Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Mr Daniel Webster
- Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSLs): Mrs Cook, Mr Balch, Miss Hannahbuss

We're here to support children and families. You can speak to us in person, call the school office, or email the school if you'd prefer a private conversation.

Please find find link to the safeguarding newsletter [here](#)

Parent Courses

Understanding and Supporting....

BEHAVIOUR



Children often show us rather than tell us when they are finding things difficult, often leading to you and your child feeling very frustrated.



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Understanding and Supporting....

COMMUNICATION



Communication is how we pass on and receive messages from other people. We may communicate through words, through noises (a whoop of celebration), through gestures or hand movements (a nod or a wave).



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PTFA REQUEST

Hi everyone We're looking for some extra help at our upcoming PTFA events which are the school disco, firework display and winter fair. With many of our Year 6 parents moving on in July, our team is smaller than before, so any support you can give will make a huge difference. Please use the link below to complete a quick form (it takes just two minutes!) to let us know if you can help at one, two, or all of these events. Even a small amount of time is invaluable and helps us make sure that nothing has to be scaled back:

CLICK HERE

Just to reassure you, volunteering does not mean you're committing to join the PTFA, attend meetings, or take on long-term responsibilities. It's simply about lending a hand on the day. Thank you so much for considering, we really appreciate any time you can give. With thanks the PTFA x

LOCAL NEWS AND EVENTS

If you would like to advertise a local event or club in our school newsletter, please speak to Mr Webster.

COMMUNICATION

If you need to contact the school, please email us at **enquiries@barrscourtps.org.uk** or call the school office on **01454 867799**.

Passing on Messages to Teachers

If you need to pass on a message to your child's teacher, please email the school office and your message will be forwarded, or speak to the teacher at the **end of the day**. The start of the school day is a very busy time and not the best opportunity to talk to teachers. All emails are shared with teachers each morning, so you can be assured that your message will reach them.

Alternatively, you are very welcome to speak to Mr Webster and Miss Warlow on the gate in the morning

FACEBOOK

We love to share some of the exciting things happening in school on our Facebook page. Click on the picture to follow us and keep up to date with what's going on.

Head Bumps – Parent Notification

Sometimes children do bump their heads in school. When this happens, we will send you a message via Arbor to let you know. If you receive a text, there is no need to take any action – we will continue to monitor your child carefully throughout the day.

If the bump is more serious, we will always phone you directly.

Please be assured that in all cases your child will receive care and attention from a trained first aider.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Year 6 Residential

Monday 9th - Friday 13th February

Last day of term 3

Friday 13th February

First Day of Term 4

Monday 23th February