

# BARRS COURT NEWSLETTER



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## Netball Champions

What a fantastic and busy time it has been in school!

A huge well done to our Girls netball team, who represented us brilliantly on last week at the girls-only High Five Netball Tournament. The girls' enthusiasm and passion matched the glorious weather, and their teamwork and determination were evident throughout the day. After finishing top of their group and winning their semi-final, they went on to face Beacon Rise in a truly incredible final. In a nail-biting match, they secured a 4–3 victory, becoming South Glos Champions! We are so proud of you all and wish you the very best of luck as you head to the regional finals next month.

A special thank you also goes to Mrs Cook for her continued commitment and dedication to netball at Barrs Court. The opportunities and success the children experience are a reflection of her hard work and enthusiasm.

Thank you also to everyone who supported Comic Relief last week and to those who purchased books at the book fair. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated and makes such a difference.

This newsletter is packed with exciting events over the Easter break, as well as upcoming PTFA activities, including an Easter Trail and Easter Raffle—lots to look forward to!

# EASTER Events



Barrs Court Primary PTFA



## Easter Trail

Find the Easter signs hidden around the local area and unscramble to letters to reveal the secret word!

Bring your completed form back to school to enter the prize draw!

£1.50 per trail map

A fun activity to keep everyone busy during the holidays!



## Easter RAFFLE

**DRAWN ON THURSDAY 2ND APRIL**

**TICKETS £1.00 EACH**

**HAMPER INCLUDES:**

- \*VUE CINEMA TICKETS
- \*AVON VALLEY RAILWAY FAMILY TICKET
- \*AIRHOP TICKETS
- \*TOYS, BOOKS & GAMES FROM ENTERTAINER
- \*EASTER ACTIVITY BOOKS
- \*EASTER EGGS
- \*BISCUIT DECORATING SET
- \*EASTER CUDDLY TOY
- \*EASTER SWEETS
- \*HOT CROSS BUNS
- \*CHOCOLATES

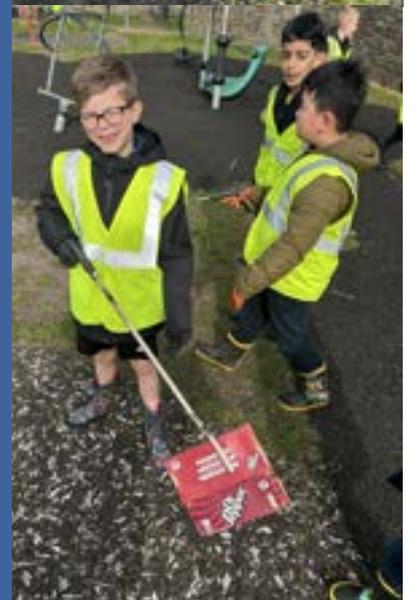
**TICKETS ON SALE IN THE PLAYGROUND**

**RAFFLE DRAWN IN ASSEMBLY**





Blue Area began a new enquiry today by working really hard to collect bags and bags of litter from our local area. Thank you to the lovely parents who helped us.



# SPORTS REPORT



From Monday 20th April 2026, we will be partnering with Caterlink to provide our school meal service.

There will be no changes to the current booking & payment method. Please continue to use the Arbor Parent Portal as normal to book & pay for lunches.

**\*\* Please note – School dinners should be pre-ordered in advance; this is to ensure the kitchen is suitably stocked and the correct number of meals are prepared each day. School meals can be booked termly/monthly/weekly in advance through the Arbor Parent Portal.**

What if my child has a Food Allergy/Intolerance?

The new team is fully trained in allergen management. If your child has a food allergy, please complete the Food Allergy & Intolerance Form [online](#) by Friday 20th March.

Please note that this will need to be accompanied with medical evidence (see attached leaflet for more information on this). You will only complete this form once whilst your child is at our school, unless there is a change in their allergy/medical condition.

When completing the form, please use our Unique Unit Number – 7790

**SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026**



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:			
<b>WEEK ONE</b> 13/04/26 04/05/26 01/06/26 22/06/26 13/07/26 07/08/26 28/09/26 19/10/26	Option One	Tomato Pasta 🍷🍷	Beef Burger with Cheese in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	<b>NEW</b> Peri-Peri Chicken with Herby Rice Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salads	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup	 Whole grain		
	Option Two	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes	Coconut Curry with Rice 🍷🍷	Vegan Sausage with Roast Potatoes & Gravy 🍷	Mascarpone Cheese	Lentil & Basil Whirl with Chips & Tomato Ketchup 🍷			
	Option Three	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings including Salmon Mayonnaise			
	Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day			
	Dessert	Osly Cookie 🍷🍷	<b>NEW</b> Orange Drizzle Cake with Custard	Fruit Medley 🍷	Carrot Cake with Custard	Ice Cream with Peaches			
	<b>WEEK TWO</b> 20/04/26 11/05/26 08/06/26 29/06/26 20/07/26 14/08/26 05/09/26	Option One	Summer Pizza with New Potatoes	Spaghetti Meatballs	Roasted Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	<b>YAMAC</b> Greek Chicken Pits with Herby Rice & Tzatziki		Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup	 Plant based
		Option Two	BBQ Vegan Sausage Pasta 🍷🍷	Sweet Potato Curry with Rice 🍷🍷	Roasted Gurn with Roast Potatoes & Gravy 🍷	Greek Spinach and Cheese Whirl with Herby Rice & Tzatziki		<b>NEW</b> Cheesy Broccoli Fritas with Chips & Tomato Ketchup	
		Option Three	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	
		Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		Vegetables of the Day	
Dessert		Golden Syrup Snap Biscuit 🍷	Apple Pie with Custard	Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Brownie with Chocolate Sauce	Orange and Lemon Shortbread 🍷			
<b>WEEK THREE</b> 27/04/26 18/05/26 15/06/26 04/07/26 31/08/26 21/09/26 12/10/26		Option One	Vegan Meatballs with Rice 🍷🍷	Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup 🍷	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognaise 🍷	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup	 Added plant protein	
		Option Two	Tomato Pasta Bake 🍷	Mild Five Bean Chili with Rice 🍷🍷	Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes & Gravy 🍷	Vegan Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup 🍷	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Ketchup		
		Option Three	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		
		Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		
	Dessert	Chocolate Shortbread 🍷	Peach Crumble with Custard 🍷	iced Vanilla Sponge	Summer Lemon Cake with Custard	Strawberry Jelly With Mandarins 🍷			
	<b>AVAILABLE DAILY:</b> Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt								

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods, please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

SAVE  
the DATE

## Barrs Court Primary PTFA's Upcoming Events/Save the Dates 2026

**MARCH/  
APRIL**  
2 APRIL (RAFFLE  
DRAWN)

**EASTER RAFFLE & EASTER TRAIL**  
RAFFLE TICKETS & EASTER TRAIL FORMS ON SALE  
NEXT WEEK: MON/TUE & WED AFTER SCHOOL

**TBC**  
APRIL/MAY

**FATHER'S DAY DESIGNS & GIFTS**  
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED

**05**  
JUNE

**COLOUR FUN RUN**  
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED

**3**  
JULY

**CHILDREN'S SUMMER DISCO &  
FAMILY EVENT**  
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED. FAMILY EVENT  
IS SUBJECT TO WEATHER

**TBC**  
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**BACK TO SCHOOL DISCO**  
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED



**COLOR RUN**

Friday 5 June 26

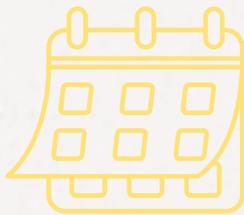
After the success of last year's event, Barrs Court Primary PTFA are bringing back the Colour Fun Run!

This year's course will have new obstacles, and even more chances to get covered in colour along the way.

And new for this year, parents can join in the fun too!

More details coming soon.





## Upcoming Events

Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Last Day of Term 4

Monday April 20<sup>th</sup>  
First Day of Term 5

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April  
SEND parent and carer meetings

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April Year 4 Residential

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April  
Red Swift Enrichment Day

11-14<sup>th</sup> May  
Year 6 SATS

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May  
Class Photos

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
Last Day of term 5

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
First day of term 6

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June  
Parent & Carer Coffee morning

Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> 9-12  
Sports Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July  
Last Day of the year

**SWIFT**  
SPORTS COACHING

South Gloucestershire Council

**EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS**

Up to **25% OFF**

8:45am - 4:00pm 7th - 17th April

Chipping Sodbury  
Patchway  
Frampton Cotterell  
Barrs Court  
Longwell Green  
Winterbourne  
Yate

Paying Customers From **£17.16**  
Per Child Per Day when discounts are combined

HAF Customers **FULLY FUNDED**

**EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS**

[SWIFTSPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK](http://SWIFTSPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK) 07537 991 991

# Parent /carer Courses

## Understanding Masking



**BOOK NOW**



## Understanding and supporting... communication



**BOOK NOW**



## E Safety links for families

### Useful Websites

- [NSPCC](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

[www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

- [Childnet](http://www.childnet.com)

[www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)

- [Thinkuknow](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

- [UK Safer Internet Centre](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk)

[www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk)

- [Common Sense Media](http://www.common sense media.org)

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## School Nursing Service

School Nurses work with children, young people, parent and carers to maximise health and well-being.

Use the QR code to view our web page and find out more, or call one of our locality teams using the numbers below:



**Bristol East/Central:**  
0300 125 6980

**North Somerset:**  
0300 125 6798

**Bristol South:** 0300 125 6277

**South Gloucestershire:**

**Bristol North:** 0300 124 5816

**0300 125 5151**

Secondary school aged children can also use our **confidential text messaging service ChatHealth**. Use the QR code to find out more.



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care & health

**NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED JUST COME ALONG!**

**DROP IN ANYTIME**  
between 9am and 12:30pm

# Need support for your family?

Drop in and chat with our friendly team

From pregnancy through to teenage years, Compass can give advice and signpost families to the right help and support available in South Glos.  
Drop-in sessions available weekly at local One Stop Shops:

- PATCHWAY**  
BS34 5PE  
TUESDAYS
- KINGSWOOD**  
BS15 9TR  
WEDNESDAYS
- YATE**  
BS37 4DQ  
THURSDAYS

**VISIT**  
# <https://life.southglos.gov.uk>  
or scan the QR code for more information



**Sports Day will be on  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June  
9am - 12**



# ★ EVERY DAY COUNTS! ★

## — Why Attendance Matters —

### EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE

**96% - 100%**

- ✓ You are giving yourself the best chance to succeed
- ✓ You keep up with learning every day
- ✓ You build strong friendships and routines

Missing only **7 days** or fewer across the whole year

### CAUSE FOR CONCERN

**90% - 95%**

- ✗ You may start to fall behind in lessons
- ✗ Important learning may be missed
- ✗ Catching up becomes harder

Missing around **10-19** school days per year

### How do YOU measure up?

Attendance	Days	Weeks	Lessons
<b>96%+</b>	7 Days	1,5 Weeks	35 Lessons
<b>95%</b>	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
<b>90%</b>	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
<b>85%</b>	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
<b>80%</b>	39 Days	7,5 Weeks	200 Lessons
<b>70%</b>	57 Days	11,5 Weeks	250 Lessons
<b>Below 70%</b>	67 Days	13,5 Weeks	240 Lessons

### Did You Know?

Missing just **2 days** a month means:

- ✗ **20** days missed in a year
- ✗ Nearly **4 weeks** of learning lost

### Because:

- ✓ Every lesson matters
- ✓ Every child matters
- ✓ Every day counts

**At Barrs Court Primary School we aim for:**

**At least 96% attendance for every pupil**

- ★ Every lesson matters
- ★ Every child matters
- ★ Every day counts

♥ Together we can help every child succeed!

**Barrs Court Primary School**



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[HAF@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@southglos.gov.uk)

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# Easter FUN



Four days of fun activities fully funded for children & young people who receive benefits-related free school meals.

The poster features a group of five diverse children smiling and holding baskets of colorful Easter eggs. The background is bright yellow with stylized sun rays.



**AEK-BOCO**  
F.C.  
Est. 2003

**AEK BOCO TROJANS**  
**U9 HML LEAGUE**

**ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS**  
— FOR THE START OF —  
**GROUP 4**  
**2026/27 SEASON!**

The poster features a blue shield with a soccer ball in the center, set against a dark background of a stadium at night with lights. A soccer ball is also visible at the bottom of the poster.



**WHAT'S ON**  
**At Cadbury Heath library**  
**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

**FREE**

**STORYTIME**  
**THURSDAY 9:30-10AM**  
COME AND ENJOY SOME STORIES AND RHYMES! FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS

**CRAFTERNOONS**  
**THURSDAY 3:30-4:30PM**  
GET CRAFTY IN THIS AFTERSCHOOL CRAFT SESSION SUITABLE FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

**LEGO CLUB**  
**SATURDAYS 10:30-11:30**  
BUILDING BLOCKS AT THE READY!  
JOIN US FOR A STORY AND LEGO SESSION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

**RHYMETIME**  
**FRIDAY 9:30-10AM**  
JOIN IN WITH SINGING AND NURSERY RHYMES IN THESE BOUNCY SESSIONS FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS

**• LOTS MORE IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!**

**GO ALL IN!**  
South Gloucestershire Council  
Delivering with you

**Active Libraries**

The poster is colorful and festive, featuring various shapes like circles, gears, and clouds. It includes icons for a book, a child reading, a glue bottle, a pair of scissors, a LEGO brick, and musical notes.

## Emotional health learning

Big feelings, how the brain works, and relationship ideas for happier lives. Togetherness pathways for parents, carers, grandparents, and young people.

Find your journey for stronger relationships and enhanced emotional wellbeing.

Follow evidence-based educational content developed by clinical psychologists, health practitioners, and psychotherapists. Tried and tested by parents and young people.

# Parent/carer course

**TOGETHERNESS**  
Bringing the Solihull Approach to the world

South Gloucestershire  
Council

**NHS**

## Understanding your child: From toddler to six years

Join our group sessions to support you in your journey of understanding emotional health, wellbeing, behaviour, and more. A 10 week programme to help you raise confident, kind, emotionally aware and resilient people.

Group Dates : 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
( Term-time only )  
Times: Friday 9:30–11:30am  
Address: Cadbury Heath Children's Centre, Parkwall Primary School, Earlistone Crescent, Cadbury Heath, Bristol, BS30 8AA

Phone: 01454 862974

Scan or click the QR code for more information

**This group covers:**

- Childhood development and emotional processing
- How ideas and techniques for nurturing wellbeing can be helpful for common areas of difficulty such as emotional regulation, sleep, toileting and friendships
- Support to reflect on your own child's health and wellbeing, their behaviour and your relationship with them
- Helping you feel more confident about your relationships and more connected to your child

How to access the free course. Go to <https://togetherness.co.uk/pathway-library/> and enter your South Gloucestershire postcode to access the courses for free.

The pathways are for everyone including some courses specifically for children and young adults.



# Could you tell if your child was being exploited?



Join one of our free online sessions led by Child Exploitation Prevention Officer **Andri Nicolaou**

**18 March** 7:00 - 8:30pm

**30 March** 10:30am - 12:00pm

Learn about the different forms of child exploitation and how offenders groom/exploit children both online and offline. We'll highlight warning signs a child may be at risk and practical steps you can take to keep them safe and respond to any concerns.

Visit the **Avon and Somerset Police Eventbrite page** or scan the QR codes below

**18 March**



**30 March**

