NEWSLETTER

Newsletter 6 October 16th 2026

House Captains



Mr. Crook's message

What a wonderfully busy week it has been at St Lawrence! It has been lovely to welcome so many families into school for our first Parents' Evening of the year and also to see parents joining children in Year 2 and Year 5 for their Writing Cafés. Year 4 led a fantastic class worship, while Year 1 have been enjoying getting outdoors for Forest School. It has been another brilliant week for sport too. Our Year 3/4 children did us proud by finishing 3rd in the Mini Skills competition, and our girls' football team made an incredible start to their Dick Kerr Cup campaign with a 12–0 victory in the first round! As I write this, we are also looking forward to our first tag rugby tournament of the year this afternoon. Good luck to everyone taking part! Years 5 and 6 have also had an important visit from the police this week, learning about how to stay safe around Bonfire Night. Finally, I am delighted to announce our new Team Captains and Vice-Captains. Congratulations to Teddy (Red), Sofia (Yellow), Evelyn (Green) and Daisy (Blue), and to our Vice-Captains Oliver (Red), Jonah (Yellow), Freddie (Green) and Daniel (Blue). I know they will be fantastic role models and will lead their teams with enthusiasm and pride. Another week packed with opportunities, achievements and special moments. Well done, everyone!

Diary Dates

Mon 19th Oct – Parents' Evening

Tues 20th Oct – Y6 Class Worship in Church 9.15am

Library bus

Thurs 22nd Oct – PTFA Great Barton Bake Off

Fri 23rd Oct – EYFS Forest Schools afternoon

School closes for half term at 3.30pm

Mon 2nd Nov – School Reopens
Messy Church – from 3.30pm

Fri 6th Nov – Y6 Forest Schools afternoon

Sun 8th Nov – Remembrance Service in Church 10.30am – Y6 to present

Tues 10th Nov – Y1 Class Worship in Church 9.15am

Library bus

Wed 11th Nov – Y6 to Bilsborrow Remembrance service

Thurs 12th Nov – 5pm Robinwood meeting for Y5 Parents

Fri 13th Nov – Children in Need – Wear Yellow (non-uniform)

Y5 Forest Schools afternoon

Tues 17th Nov – Y2 Class Worship in Church 9.15am

Fri 20th Nov – Y4 Forest schools afternoon

Stars of the Week

Nursery – Yusuf and Alice
E.Y.F.S. – Margot and Edison
Year 1 – Avyan and Jacob
Year 2 – Myla and Alistair
Year 3 – Ima and Aaria
Year 4 – Oliver and Sophie
Year 5 – Tiana and Shayan
Year 6 – Thomas and Daniel

Headteacher's Award

Ethan (Year 1)

TRAVEL SAFELY

Please take a moment to look at our new **Travel Safely poster** attached to this week's newsletter. The safety of our children and families around school is incredibly important, particularly at the busy start and end of the school day. We ask everyone travelling to and from school to slow down and drive carefully, remembering that children can be unpredictable and may be crossing or walking close to the road. If you are parking, please park considerately and legally, avoiding driveways, zig-zags and pavements, and leaving plenty of space for everyone to get through safely. Please also think pedestrians. Children, families, pushchairs and wheelchair users need safe, clear pavements and crossing points, so please look out for them and give them plenty of space. If you are driving, your full attention must be on the road, so please put mobile phones away and avoid distractions. Finally, please be kind and considerate to our neighbours, other parents and local residents. A little patience and courtesy, particularly at the busiest times of the day, can make such a difference. Thank you for helping us to keep everyone at Barton St Lawrence safe. Small choices really do make a big difference.

ONLINE SAFETY – NETFLIX

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe online, we have attached a helpful guide for parents and carers about Netflix. It highlights some of the things families may wish to be aware of, including age-appropriate content, screen time and account security, along with practical advice on parental controls, Kids' profiles and checking viewing activity. Please do take a few minutes to have a look, particularly if Netflix is regularly used at home.

DISCOUNTED PRESTON NORTH END TICKETS FOR SCHOOLS

Families can take advantage of an exclusive discounted ticket offer for **Preston North End's Championship fixture against Sheffield United** on **Tuesday 3 November 2026**, kick-off **7.45pm**. Use the promotional code: **BARTONSTLAWRENCE50** when booking online via Preston North End Ticketing to receive 50% off. At least **one adult ticket and one junior ticket** must be included in the booking and a **minimum basket spend of £35** is required before the discount can be applied. Please see the link for terms and conditions.

KITTY BROWN FASHION SHOW & POP-UP SHOP

They will be holding their annual fashion sow in the village hall on Friday 23rd October 7.30pm. Tickets cost £7 which includes a glass of wine. Tickets can be bought from Elizabeth – 01995 640203 or Helen – 07969222543.

🍰 THE GREAT BARTON BAKE OFF 🍰 - Thursday 22nd October

Calling all-star bakers! Dust off your mixing bowls and get ready to impress our expert judging panel with your delicious homemade creations. Prizes will be awarded across a range of categories, so whether you're a master cake maker or a budding baker, there's a chance to win!

After the judging, all entries will be available to purchase at our after-school cake stall, giving everyone the opportunity to enjoy the tasty treats on display.

💷 **Entry fee: £2 per bake**. We can't wait to see your amazing creations. Get baking and let the battle for Barton Bake Off glory begin! 🎂✨

BARTON PRE-SCHOOL - We have expanded our 2 year old provision to support the new funding for children available to most working families this September. Therefore we have places available for 2-4 year olds from September 2027. As we are a term time only setting you can book a completely free place with no added extras if you qualify for funding.

To book your child's place or for further information on our Preschool, please contact Mrs Greenhalgh on 01772 864953 or you can email at bartonpreschool@gmail.com.

As more and more families are qualifying for the funded hours places can fill up quickly, so get your space reserved so as not to miss out.

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



- Amara (Year 6) has won Most Promising Swimmer shield for Garstang Gators. She also won a bronze 50m butterfly medal and bronze 100m individual medley medal at recent galas. Well done Amara!
- Izzie (Year 2) won player of the match at football. Well done Izzie!
- Archie (Year 4) took part in his first ever cross country competition. Well done Archie!
- Maddie (Year 1) achieved her 20m swimming award. Well done Maddie!