



# The Weekly Bulletin

Inspire, Create, Discover, Together

## Barrow Hosts Football Festival

Last week, Barrow CEVC Primary School was delighted to host a Year 3 and 4 football tournament alongside pupils from Risby and Tollgate schools. The tournament was designed to provide a competitive sporting opportunity for children who may not currently take part in grassroots football, giving them the chance to represent their school, develop confidence and experience the enjoyment of team sport in a supportive environment.

The atmosphere throughout the afternoon was fantastic, with children showing great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork in every match. It was particularly lovely to see the positive sportsmanship on display, with players encouraging one another and celebrating good play across all three schools. We were also very grateful for the wonderful support from parents and families who came along to cheer the teams on and help create such a special occasion for the children.

Congratulations to Risby, who were worthy winners on the day, with Barrow achieving an excellent second and third place finish. Every child represented the school brilliantly and should feel incredibly proud of their efforts and attitude.

The children themselves spoke so positively about the experience. Henry reflected, "It wasn't about winning, it was the taking part," while also proudly sharing that he "scored in the top corner three times!" Otto commented on the kindness shown between teams, saying, "It was really good because all of the schools were really nice to each other," and Jude added, "Both Barrow teams did really well."

A huge thank you to Mr Daniel for organising such a successful and inclusive sporting event.

Opportunities like this play such an important role in helping children build confidence, resilience and a lifelong enjoyment of physical activity.



*I have come that they may have life and have it to the full – John 10:10*

## General Notices

- **Menu Change Next Week** - Thursday the 14th will be vegetable meatballs not the sweetcorn fritter
- **Year 6 SATS Week** - a reminder that the Y6 children are invited to come in at 8am for breakfast on Monday to Thursday next week ahead of their assessments.

## Dates for Your Diary

### May

- 11<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATS Week
- 12<sup>th</sup> FoBs Movie Night - see poster
- 13<sup>th</sup> New Reception Information Evening
- 14<sup>th</sup> Reception trip to South Angle Farm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> FoBs Break the Rules non-uniform day
- 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Half Term

### June

- 10<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Residential Trip
- 15<sup>th</sup> Y6 Battle of Britain Day
- w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> Sports Week
- 22<sup>nd</sup> FoBs Fathers Day Breakfast
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sports Day – R/KS1 in morning – KS2 in afternoon

### July

- 3<sup>rd</sup> FoBs School Disco
- 7<sup>th</sup> Musical Theatre Club Performance @ 6pm
- w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Open Classrooms
- 14<sup>th</sup> Whole School Transition Day
- 15<sup>th</sup> Felixstowe Beach Trip
- 16<sup>th</sup> Barrow's Got Talent
- 17<sup>th</sup> End of term church service – 9.30am  
Leavers Service – 1.15pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> PD Day - school closed

## Y4 Tennis Triumph!



A team of **Year 4's** travelled over to South Lee on Tuesday 5th May to take part in a tennis tournament. Barrow was the only school that had two teams entered, in total

there were 7 teams from 6 different schools. Each Barrow team had four players seeded from 1-4, taking on their equivalent player in a head to head race to 7 points. All players across the two Barrow squads won at least one solo battle on court each. The Barrow teams between them played 8 games, losing one, drawing another and winning 6 times. As a result South Lee were declared the winners of the tournament and the 2 Barrow teams finished in 2nd and 3rd place - well done to all that played and represented the school so admirably.

## Fin & Ren are Riding High

Congratulations to **Fin and Ren** in Year 4 who competed in rounds 1 and 2 of the Gravity Downhill Mountain Bike Racing Series at Nant Goch in Wales last weekend.

Racing in the 8–10 year old Rippers category, the boys achieved an incredible 1st and 2nd place finish on both Saturday and Sunday, with Ren narrowly finishing ahead of Fin on Saturday by just 0.75 seconds. Their times were an

impressive 8 seconds clear of the rest of the field.



An amazing achievement and a fantastic reflection of their hard work and determination. We look forward to hearing how they get on in the next races at Llangollen in June. Well done, Fin and Ren!

## Sustainability & Biodiversity Update



**Year 3** have been enjoying their science learning outdoors this week as they explored how shadows are formed and how they change throughout the day. Using the sunshine and natural environment around school, the children investigated light sources, measured shadows and made careful observations outside. The learning also linked beautifully to our sustainability and biodiversity work, encouraging the children to spend time noticing the natural world around them and understanding the importance of outdoor learning. It was wonderful to see such curiosity, teamwork and enthusiasm as the

children combined science with exploring nature.

**The Kingston family** have shared their biodiversity pledge by creating a beautiful wildflower area in their garden. Left to grow naturally until late summer, the area is already attracting lots of bees and pollinators — a fantastic way to support local wildlife and biodiversity. Well done to Fin and Ren for sharing their wonderful photos and helping nature thrive. A certificate will be coming your way in assembly!



**Mrs Wilson** from the Year 4 team has been busy supporting biodiversity at home by creating a fantastic new gabion wall using reclaimed sleepers and limestone, which will also become a bug hotel for insects and wildlife.

She is also taking part in 'No Mow May' to help pollinators thrive and recently planted pollinator-friendly flowers inspired by ideas from Gardeners' World, which are now beginning to grow beautifully.

A wonderful example of how small changes can make a big difference for nature — thank you, Mrs Wilson, for supporting our sustainability and biodiversity pledges!



Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

FOBS FILM NIGHT

# TOY STORY 4

After school until 5pm

Pick up outside  
year 5/6 block  
at 5pm

Crisps &  
drink  
£4



Booking on ParentMail  
Closes Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 9am

**F O B S**

# BREAK the RULES DAY



## **NEW RULES FOR THE DAY**

1. NO SCHOOL UNIFORM!
2. SQUASH IN WATER BOTTLE!
3. CRAZY HAIR STYLES - COLOUR TOO!
4. NO NAIL VARNISH!
5. COLOURED SOCKS!

Here's how it works:

**When?**

**FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>  
MAY**

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registered charity.  
Charity number:  
1173480

**Choose which  
rules you will  
break from the list  
above.**

**Bring a £2  
donation to school  
or pay using  
ParentMail**

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**YOUFORIA** **30**  
**MAY**



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*Don't miss the chance to see our wonderful music teachers, Tom and Jo, perform live in Bury this month!*