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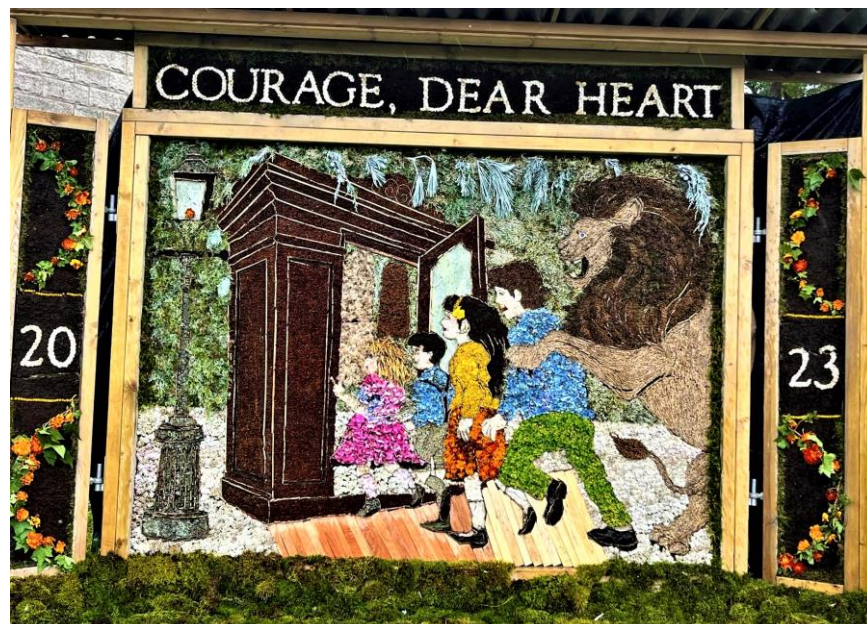
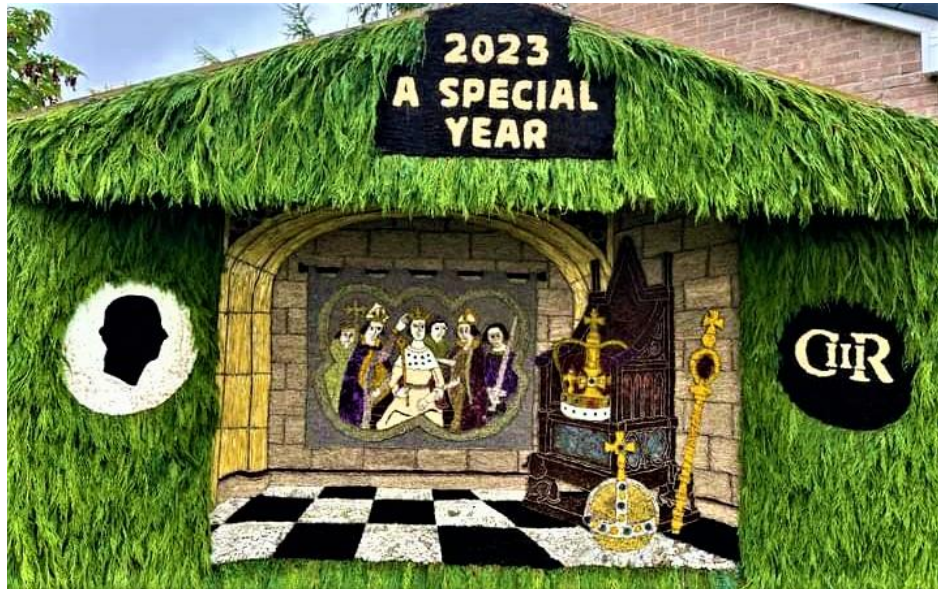
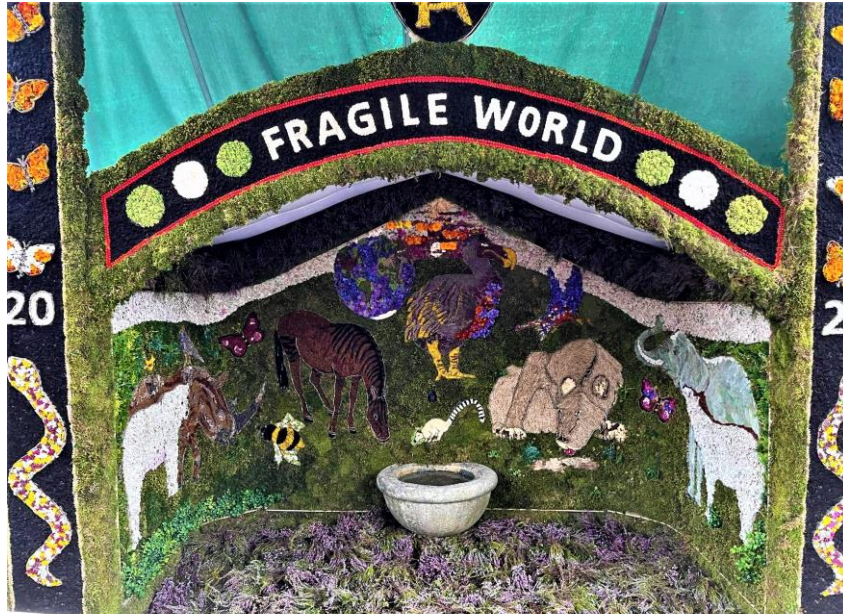
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PARISH MAGAZINE

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WELL DRESSINGS 2023



SEPTEMBER 2023

Dear Readers,

If you receive this edition of the parish magazine slightly later than usual it is because we always delay sending the September issue to the printers in order to be able to give you all the details of the Carnival competition winners and of course some of the photographs from the Wells Week events. This month's edition is full of photographs. There are so many in fact that it is impossible to credit them all to the correct photographers. If you spot one of your pictures in this magazine please accept our thanks and our apologies for not mentioning your name.

What a busy month August is in Barlow! We would also like to add our thanks to the organisers and helpers who have contributed to the success of the different village events. We hope you've had the opportunity to enjoy some of them and to participate in the excitement. IH

**All contributions for the OCTOBER issue
must be submitted by
Friday, September 22nd 2023, 5pm
to ensure inclusion.**

**Please send your articles and interesting photographs
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CHURCH ROTA SEPTEMBER 2023

Services	Sides-person	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning Wednesdays
Sunday 3 rd September 11am service	A Jacques	J West	M Hancock	
Sunday 10 th September 8am Said Mass 11am family service	J Waller C Mitchell	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	J West & J Shore
Sunday 17 th September 11am service	J Kingston	D Barnes	P Gouldthorpe	
Sunday 24 th September 11am service	A Haslam	D Windle	J Windle	
Sunday 1 st October 11am service	A Jacques	J Shore	J West	T Malley & T Woodhouse

FROM CHURCH REGISTERS: SEPTEMBER 2023

FUNERALS

8th August 2023 --- Blanche Morgan (Ashes Burial)

BAPTISMS

13th August 2023 --- India R.H.Pillar and Archie H.H.Pillar

WEDDINGS

26th August 2023 --- Jennifer Julie Haslam & Matthew Oliver Smallwood

YEARS MIND FOR SEPTEMBER

From the church registers –

** Denotes date of funeral or ashes burial*

1ST MARK HELLIWELL---1972

2ND JOAN G. DICKMAN---1999

3RD DOREEN DANCE---2018

4TH SARAH A. WHITE---1976

JOHN A. LUMB---1991

5TH WILLIAM GLAVES---1976

CLIFFORD LAYTON---2002

6TH FRANK WOODBINE---1987

EDNA BARGH---2001

HAROLD STEVENS---2012

7TH REGINALD BOOKER---1965

GEORGE WILTON---1976

OLIVER HAYES---1991

8TH ELIZABETH BURTON---1965

RITA J. ASHTON---1985

9TH FLORENCE HOLLELEY---1975

MARJORIE QUINN 2000

DOROTHY M. ADAMS---2006

10TH CHARLES A. BRADBURY---

1962

EVA E. MARTIN---1978

11TH ANN FISHER---1972

JANE DUNCAN---1988

JOHN C S CROSBIE---2010

12TH THOMAS CARTER---1966

CYRIL W. REDFERN---1996

WILLIAM WATTS---1998

13TH VERNON NEEDHAM---1985

14TH FRANCIS STEVENSON---1986

CLIFFORD BRADLEY---1996

15TH SARAH BOTHAM---1961

MARY HARDY---1968

MARY BARDSLEY---2000

17TH MARY WILLIAMS---1974

VIOLETTA M. BOWLER---1986

18TH DONALD GREGORY (priest) 1952

* CLIFFORD H. THORPE---1990

MARGARET HUGHES---1995

KEVIN FINBAR MURPHY---2013

AMY ELIZABETH ROBINSON---2014

19TH FRANK DUNKS---1990

NORAH THOMPSON---1992

GEORGE R. PRISK---1993

20TH LOIS E. HOLMES---1997

JOSEPHINE L PRINCE---2018

DAISY E. BERESFORD---1998

GEOFFREY SIMS---1998

RONALD WELLS---2016

TONY R McGUINNESS---2020

21ST REGINALD PICKFORD---1966

FREDA COLLINS---2015

WILLIAM NEEDHAM---1987

ROBERT SERRELL---1989

22ND ELIZABETH WHITE COULSON---

2016

23RD ERNEST BOOKER---1983

JOHN GIBLING---1991

24TH FRANK TURNER---1973

25TH RUTH LUMB---2016

26TH FREDERICK PETER GRAINGER---

2019

27TH THOMAS S. HILL---1980

THOMAS BOOKER---2009

29TH GLADYS HOPKINSON---1984

* BRIAN CHAPMAN---1997

* ROSALIND SHAWCROFT---2017

30TH MARY BARDSLEY---2000

* MICHAEL MITSON---2015

IN LOVING
Memory

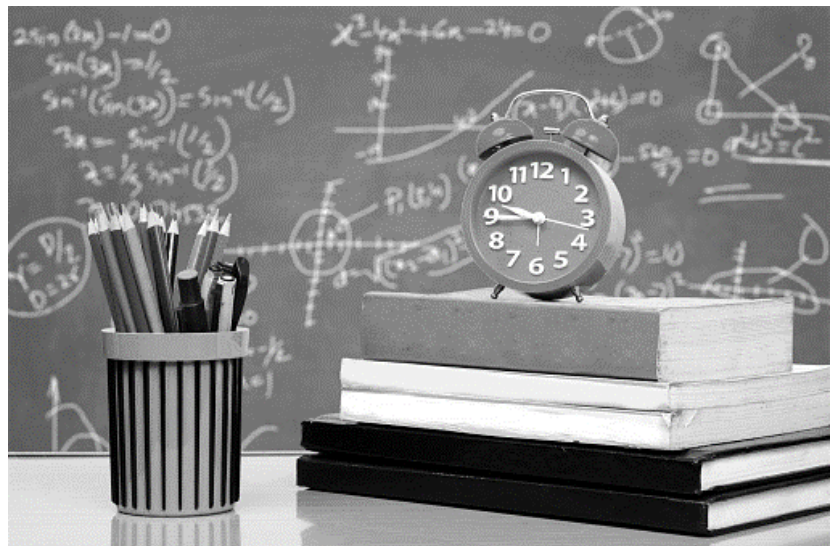
BARLOW CHURCH

(ST. LAWRENCE)



Dear Friends,

For someone who has been involved in education for the majority of my life, September has become the time for a new beginning. New stationery has always excited me. 'Turning over a new leaf' is more than just an expression for starting again, it is quite literally holding a new diary and new notebooks, with a good opportunity for a fresh start, improving on the past.



But how can you really look to the future without looking back?

This summer in Barlow has been hectic and joyful, with so much to celebrate. The success of the Open Gardens, Wells Week, the Carnival, and the Flower Festival. I am sure these will all be reviewed, as plans for

next year begin - maybe not in September, but before they become distant memories. There will be new planning, as the cycle of preparations, events and reviews begins again. Taking the best and forgetting the rest, hoping to improve still further on something which is already good.

Celebrating the past or lamenting the past is fine, but if we spend too much time and energy reflecting, we lose that hope for the future, which is so very important.

The American pastor and leadership coach John Maxwell writes: "Where there is no hope in the future, there is no power in the present. It is those who are able to find hope for the future that have the strength and empowerment to succeed in the present." Plans need to be made in the present to be worked on and perfected in the future.

We read that the Old Testament prophet Jeremiah told the people: "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Many Christians, like me, continue to believe in that hope and respond in worship singing lines such as 'All my hope on God is founded; He does still my trust renew. Me through change and chance he guideth', believing that God is with us in our hopes and dreams, supporting us just as much as in our times of need.

In the Bible, faith and hope often go hand in hand. We can read that faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see [Hebrews 11v1] and hope is by definition 'to want something to happen or to be true and usually have a good reason to think that it might.'

And so back to the clean slate, the new leaf or page, the new beginning, ironically even a new document when working electronically. It may not be a new year in the calendar sense, but I wish you all well, as you start a new term, start again after a summer holiday, or just start a new month or a new season.

In hope and in faith, may this new start and all your plans be fruitful.

With every blessing,

Revd. Gill

CHURCH NEWS

(ST. LAWRENCE)

Dear Friends,

What a fantastic week of celebrations we have all enjoyed; the well dressings, flower festival and carnival events were all wonderful.

The Well Blessing Service and procession on the Wednesday evening was very well attended and it was lovely to see so many people in Church. Thank you to our local police community support officers and Richard and his team for crowd control, the Castleton Silver band for their brilliant playing and all our clergy who performed the blessings. The Maypole dancing was terrific to watch when we arrived at the Village Green.

The Flower Festival visitor book is well worth reading. It contains comments such as “truly amazing, absolutely stunning, beautiful displays, one of the best, breathtaking, very clever ladies, love the clues”. After all that well-deserved praise we really need say no more, except thank you Helen and Sue. We wholeheartedly agree.

Thanks too to everyone who sat in Church for the duration of the Flower Festival and to all those who helped with refreshments. Of course it would not have been the same without all the delicious scones and cakes, so a huge thanks to everyone who baked. Once again customer comments were very complimentary and we are so very grateful for the effort you all went to.

The long history of St Lawrence was brought home to us recently when we welcomed visitors from Surrey who had been tracing their family tree. They wanted to see the place where their forebears were married in 1794! It is incredible to think of how much history the Church has seen and how important churches are as a source of social and family history. We see this every day with many generations of families having connections through baptisms, marriages and funerals and it is a privilege to play a small part in that history.

Congratulations

We are very proud to report that our incredibly hard-working churchyard team of Joy, Jeff, Roger and Alan have been honoured with the Bishop's Badge for outstanding contributions of lay people to congregations, local

communities and the Diocese. They have been awarded this badge for all their many years of service keeping the churchyard so well looked after.

Although they have not been doing it for anywhere near as many years (yet!), we must also say thank you to Ken and Richard for their contribution to the churchyard team.

Barlow Singers Open Rehearsal

The open rehearsal was well attended and we would like to thank Karen and the choir for their generous donation.

Harvest Service and Supper

The Harvest Festival Service will be held at the 11am service on Sunday 8th October. All are welcome to attend.

Don't forget to book for this year's Harvest Supper which will be held in the Village Hall from 5.30pm on the same day, the 8th October. Please see the separate entry.

Christmas Tree Festival

This year for the first time we will be having a Christmas Tree Festival in Church from 22nd to 29th November; please see the separate entry.

If you would be interested in decorating a tree for the festival, please contact the churchwardens.

Church Opening

Thanks to a small group of volunteers, Church is open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10am until 4pm. All are welcome to come in for quiet time, private prayer, to light a candle for a loved one, or just to visit and explore this wonderful historic building.

Upcoming Events

Harvest Festival Service: Sunday 8th October 11am

Harvest Supper: Sunday 8th October 5.30pm

Annual service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance:

Sunday 5th November 3pm

Remembrance service: Sunday 12th November 10.50am

Christmas Tree Festival: 22nd – 29th November

Christmas Party for those living alone: Afternoon of Saturday 2nd December at the Village Hall; more information to follow

Carol Concert: Tuesday 19th December

We hope you will be able to join us for some of the upcoming events and services. With best wishes,

Pete & Julie

WELL DRESSERS

The dressers of all three wells in the village deserve a huge vote of thanks for producing their traditional pieces of artwork (for that is what they are) and keeping the ancient Derbyshire tradition of well dressing alive in Barlow.

As you are probably aware, the Main Well near the Church has struggled for the last couple of years, due to the retirement of several greatly experienced and long-serving members. Our appeal for volunteers to help with the various tasks involved, including dressing the well, collecting flowers and erecting the ancient and heavy well frame has brought forward some volunteers again this year.

We would like to pass on our very grateful thanks to these volunteers and hope they would like to be involved again in the future. We do, of course, thank our stalwarts who have been involved for many years and without whose experience and expertise the well dressing would not happen.

The purpose of this article was principally to thank the volunteers who have come forward to help at the Main Well, but a mention must be made of this year's ...

CARNIVAL

Many people have commented this year that the carnival was the busiest and best for a long time, so a great vote of thanks must go to the hard-working Carnival Committee.

Pete Gouldthorpe (Churchwarden, St Lawrence Church)

FLOWER FESTIVAL SPONSORS

WE HAVE BEEN OVERWHELMED THIS YEAR BY THE WONDERFUL SUPPORT GIVEN TO OUR FLOWER FESTIVAL. WE HAVE EVEN EXCEEDED LAST YEAR'S WONDERFUL TOTAL AND WE ARE MOST GRATEFUL TO ALL THE 46 GENEROUS SPONSORS LISTED BELOW:

JANET & TONY SIDDALL
JAMES & LAURA BRANSON
PETER WOOLEY
IN MEMORY OF SIDNEY & DORA
COOPER
DEREK SKELTON
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CRAFT GROUP
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PETER GOULDTHORPE
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RODGERS
GILL & PAUL KAY
MAUREEN LINDSAY
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MARK SHAW AGRICULTURE
ANGELA SPENCER
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JANE & TOM BOOKER
IN MEMORY MARY ARMSTRONG
IN MEMORY OF MARY
ARMSTRONG FROM
GEORGE & WILL



FLOWER FESTIVAL

WHO AM I?



HARVEST SUPPER

For 2023 the Church Harvest Supper is being held
in the Village Hall again.

Sunday 8th October 2023
5.30pm Village Hall
Delicious pies & pudding
(Vegetarian option available)

£12.50 per person

(includes soft drinks, but please bring your own wine etc)

There are no tickets for this event!
Please book your place for this very popular evening
by adding your name to the list in church
or by phoning one of the numbers below.

Money will be collected on the night
(Sorry, but we will need to charge you if you don't turn up
as your supper will have been ordered).

Raffle

Book by phoning;
Julie 07799 639566
Peter 07749 287834





ST. LAWRENCE
CHURCH,
BARLOW



CHRISTMAS TREE
FESTIVAL

22 - 29TH NOVEMBER 2023
10 - 3PM



If you would like to display a tree
please contact Church warden .



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Planning Matters

PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATION

- NED 23/00560/FL – Temporary dwelling for agricultural occupancy (Private drainage system) at Oak Tree Farm, Johnnygate Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

- NED 23/00492/LB – Retrospective application for Listed Building consent works to roof at Lees Hall Farm, Barlow Lees Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

- NED 23/00028/FL – Change of use from church to dwelling, side extension and raising of roof to rear (Amended Plans) at Barlow Methodist Church, Millcross Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

PLANNING DECISIONS

- NED 23/00084/FL – The erection of a steel portaled framed agricultural building with existing access track (Amended Plans) at Furnace Farm, Furnace Lane, Barlow – **Conditionally Approved 23 June 2023**
- NED 23/00207/DISCON – Application to discharge condition 6 (stone edge detail) and condition 7 (Termini to wall ends) pursuant to planning application 22/00282/FL at Mill Farm Cottage, Crow Hole, Barlow – **Refused 23 June 2023**
- NED 22/00793/FL – Section 73 application for variation to conditions 3 (Biomass Boiler Location), 4 (Position of external

flue), 8 (Outside storage of timer) and 11 (scheme of landscaping) pursuant to planning approval 19/00103/FL (Amended Plans) at Oak Tree Farm, Johnnygate Lane, Barlow – **Conditionally approved 30 May 2023**

- NED 23/00378/CATPO – Notification of intention to fell 10 Ash trees within Barlow Grange Conservation Area at Figg Barn, Grange Lane, Barlow – **Approved 26 May 2023**
RESOLVED noted.

Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies on the Parish Council which we will be able to fill through co-opting. Any Barlow resident who thinks they may be able to spare the time and would like to have a say in all matters concerning our village, please contact the clerk. We look forward to hearing from you.

Speed Watch

At the last speedwatch session 12 drivers were caught speeding and as a consequence were sent a warning letter by the police. In order to be able to conduct more speedwatch sessions we still need more volunteers to come forward. If you are interested in joining the team, please contact the clerk.

Bus Shelter

You may have noticed the new bus shelter which has been installed on Valley Road for the convenience of bus users. The cost for this was shared between Barlow Parish Council and Derbyshire County Council.



BARLOW PRE-SCHOOL



Dear Friends,

We hope you have all had a lovely summer. Here at Barlow Pre-School we have been busy getting ready for starting back in September. We are looking forward to welcoming back some familiar faces as well as lots of new ones! Term starts on 5th September until 27th October 2023.

What a fantastic carnival we had. Our children and parents made us very proud. Our magical woodland float looked amazing, as did all the parents and children in their outfits. It was a great day and the sun shone!

Our AGM will be on 4th October at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall. Everybody welcome. We will be saying goodbye to some of our committee members as their children move on to Big School. We would like to take this

opportunity to say a huge 'thank you' for everything they have done to support Pre-School. We couldn't run without our committee!

Our next fundraiser will be a quiz night at St Thomas's Church, Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield. Details to follow. Everybody welcome. The proceeds will go towards our fundraising target of £12,000 to replace the outdoor surface in our play area. The Just Giving link is below:

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/barlowpreschool?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=campaign/barlowpreschool&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=cbbea027c8504ae1bbb261ab4fa63d21

If you, or any local businesses you know, would like to donate we would be hugely grateful.

Our SENCO lead and deputy manager, Helen, has been training so that Barlow Pre-School will soon be an accredited 'Confident Communicators setting' by 2024. This means we will be early language experts. Our focus for the first half term will be promoting early language skills through stories and targeted vocabulary. How exciting!

To further enhance our provision, we are on the lookout for some wooden small toy vehicles, dinosaurs, wooden planks and old picture frames. We recently joined with Barlow Primary School for some outdoor training and can't wait to use some of the new ideas at Forest School this term.

Many thanks, Jo



BARLOW CofE SCHOOL

Latest news



Hello! We would like to welcome everyone back for the new academic year. We have new pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 4. By now, we hope they have settled into the new environment. They had a fabulous time on the transition sessions before summer and we know they are very excited to be in 'Big School'. We are looking forward to a year filled with sporting events, musical activities, enterprise, school productions, trips and residential visits, alongside the hard work we do every day. Our staff have been working hard to change and adjust the curriculum so we can give every child the best possible start to their education journey.

We have had some changes of class teachers for this year, with Mrs Wilson's retirement. Mrs Phipps becomes the main teacher in Amethyst class (Reception), with Mrs Watkin teaching on a Friday. Miss Collins becomes the main teacher in Topaz class (Year 1 and Year 2), with Mrs Watkin teaching on a Monday. Amethyst and Topaz class will be working very closely together so the Year 1 children can still have some play-based experiences alongside the Reception children in the afternoons. Miss Vick has joined Mrs McElhattan as joint class teacher in Emerald class (Year 3 and 4) and Miss Jones continues as class teacher for Sapphire Class (Year 5 and 6).

Joining Barlow School 2024

As we move into the Autumn term, we will be offering individual tours of the school for prospective new pupils for 2024. If you know a child who was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, please encourage their parents to get in touch and come and visit our fabulous village school. Mrs Morton and Mrs Gregory in the office can be contacted on 0114 289 0413.

Thankfulness

This half term our value is thankfulness. 'Count your blessings' is an old saying, but it reminds us to be thankful and not take things for granted. Some of the things we will be discussing with the children this term are:

- Remembering to let other people know when you are thankful
- Not taking things for granted
- Practical ways of showing gratitude
- How it feels when someone thanks you

Carnival

Thank you so much to the teams of parents and friends who supported us in preparing for the Carnival. The front of the school was beautifully decorated with a Tutankhamun scarecrow alongside samples of the children's writing and artwork. Meanwhile, the float was themed as 'The Greatest Showman'. All the hammering and painting work paid off with a prize for 'best themed float'. We have a fabulous team who have put together the float for some years now, however, their children are moving on to secondary schools, so we are looking for volunteers who can commit time and effort to see that the school float continues into next year and beyond. If you can support us, please contact the office 0114 289 0413.



FOBS

Friends of Barlow School

So here we are, at the brink of a new school year, but before we turn our attentions to welcoming our new families, we need to say some very big thank yous to those leaving us.

Debbie Wragg, Nadine Wilford, Sarah Wrath and Sarah Bell are all hanging up their boots as the school's carnival float organisers. They go out on a well-deserved high after winning the coveted award for 'best theme' float.

The team put together a fabulous float with the theme of 'The Greatest Showman'. The crowds enjoyed all the colourful costumes, from Ringmaster, to Mime Artist to Bearded Lady! The float was adorned all over with decorations, painstakingly painted by hand, of circus animals and finished with the Big Top circus tent. It really was a fantastic effort by all the team.



Hopefully you also enjoyed the decorations at the front of school, the pictures that the children had done around the theme of Tutankhamen and the pharaohs of Egypt. Our scarecrow of King Tut had a mask created by the children and looked brilliant on the school steps.

We are excited to meet the new families starting at Barlow School from September and will send communications in the new school year with regards to joining the FOBS team. We would very much welcome the support.

The FOBS team would like to wish the new parents and children of Barlow School a very warm welcome.

Helen



YOUNG FARMERS



Hello from Barlow Young Farmers!

August saw us put together a carnival float and partake in the village carnival for the first time in a long time! A social was held to put the float together and 'all hands were on deck' to make sure it was ready in time. Jethro Heathcote kindly provided the tractor and trailer and drove the float on the day.

The float was very kindly sponsored by Heathcote Plant Hire, Banks Skips, Rose Cottage Doggy Day Care and Village Pumpkins, all kindly offering their support to the club.

A brilliant day was had by all, as you can see in the photos and a new programme has been put together for the forthcoming year. Meetings will include the club's annual AGM, County Roadshow, a visit from the Mountain Rescue, as well as visits to Bagshaws, including a tour of the Bakewell Agricultural Centre and a local Shooting Range.

Meetings will commence again on Tuesday 5th September with our New Members evening being held on Tuesday 12th September. If you are interested in joining us, we meet at 8pm on a Tuesday, usually in the village hall although we do have a mixture of visits as well. The club is for ages 10 to 28, if you fancy joining or just want to come along and see what it's all about, you will be greeted with a warm welcome. Look out for our monthly update on all the things we've been up to throughout the year.

Rosie.



POETRY CORNER

I Didn't Go To Church Today (by OGDEN NASH)

I didn't go to church today,
I trust the Lord to understand.
The surf was swirling blue and white,
The children swirling on the sand.
He knows, He knows how brief my stay,
How brief this spell of summer weather,
He knows when I am said and done
We'll have plenty of time together.

A Thunderstorm (by EMILY DICKINSON)

The wind begun to rock the grass
With threatening tunes and low, -
He flung a menace at the earth,
A menace at the sky.

The leaves unhooked themselves from trees
And started all abroad;
The dust did scoop itself like hands
And throw away the road.

The wagons quickened on the streets,
The thunder hurried slow;
The lightning showed a yellow beak,
And then a livid claw.

The birds put up the bars to nests,
The cattle fled to barns;
There came one drop of giant rain,
And then, as if the hands

That held the dams had parted hold,
The waters wrecked the sky,
But overlooked my father's house,
Just quartering a tree.

CARNIVAL

WOW!!!

A RECORD-BREAKING CARNIVAL!

What a Carnival we've had this year! Firstly, we would like to start with a huge thank you to all those that supported Carnival to make this happen.

Visitor numbers surpassed our expectations; we believe them to be up by 20% on last year. Of course, the weather helps and again we were blessed, but we also believe more and more people are recognising that this a great local event and very enjoyable. The parade was the largest in years and again a big thank you to all those who entered a float and helped to make Carnival special.

Starting the parade earlier meant that we were able to bring more entertainment to the field this year and some walking entertainment on the parade route. The weather did its best on Friday to discourage those attending the outdoor cinema, but everyone came prepared and nobody put baby in the corner.

Thursday was a packed house for the family bingo and quiz, and we certainly rocked out the Carnival on Saturday night. Sunday was our family fun day with market stalls, kids' activities and a dog show in support of Guide Dogs for the Blind and the Old Skool Sports Day. This proved entertaining for kids and adults alike. We are going to plan more activities for next year as the Sunday events are becoming more popular.

Of course, Carnival week would not be the same without our competitions, and we are pleased to list the winners:

Scarecrows

Best Scarecrow

Rebecca Ibbotson - Alice in Wonderland

Hunt the Scarecrows

The Strong Family

Floats

Best Party / Fun Float

Winner - Pirates of Yew Tree

Runner Up - Barbie

Best Pub Float

Winner - Peacock

Runner Up - Trout

Best Theme / Serious

Winner - The Greatest Showman

Runner Up - The Wurzels

Most Outstanding in Parade

Dogs Pantomime Crew

Fancy Dress

Under 6 Years

Winner - Knitter

Runner Up - Pirate

6-11 Years

Winner - Pinocchio

Runner Up - Slinky Dog

11-16 Years

Winner - Mystic Meg

Runner Up - Vespa

16+ Years

Winner - Beetle Juice

Runner Up - Ken & Barbie

Groups

Winner - Barlow Airways

Runner Up - Peter Pan

Visiting Royalty

Float

1st - Bradwell

2nd - Buxton

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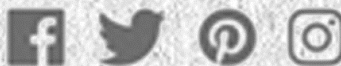
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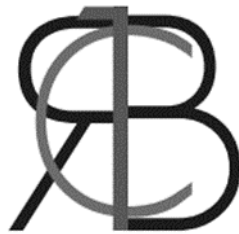
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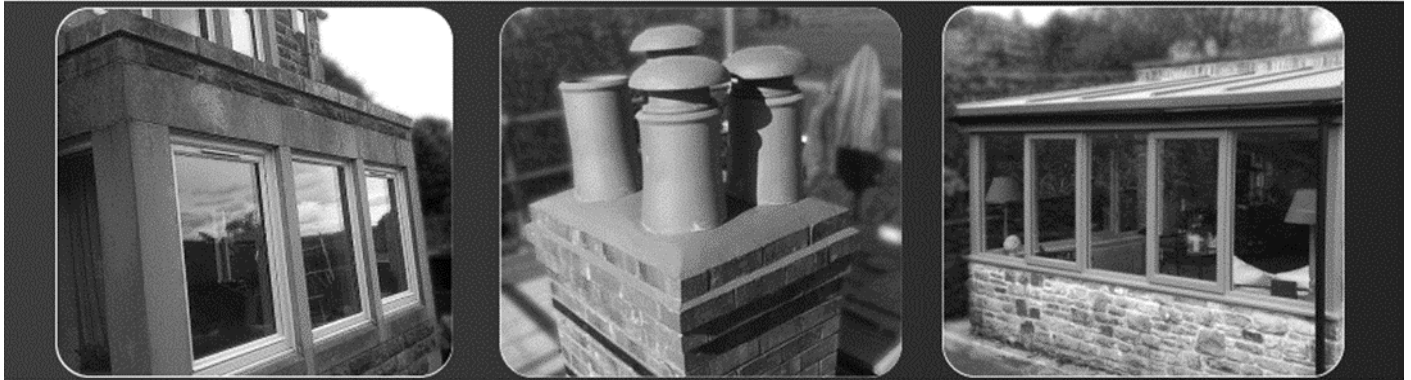




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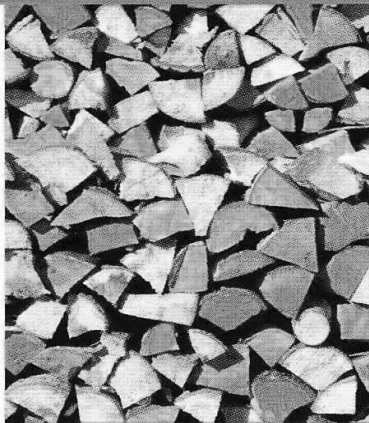
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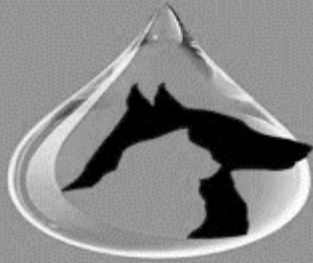
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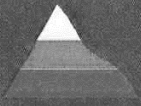


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