



# WEEKLY *Newsletter*

W/b 12th January 2026

As you may already know, Miss Parkinson left us just before Christmas to start a new job but she has missed 'The Barrow Way' so much that she is coming back! We are delighted to welcome her back on Monday, and I'm sure the children, staff and parents will be very happy to see her return.

We are also incredibly proud to share that the Bethany Girls' Secondary School opened this week with their very first intake. Barrow is proud to have fundraised and fully funded the school library building and the girls' school uniforms. Please see the photo of the girls on their first day - a very special moment.



Finally, some more exciting news: part of the money raised from my temporary role as Executive Headteacher during the Autumn and Spring terms will be used to make improvements to our EYFS outdoor area. This work will begin in the week commencing 26th January and should take around one week to complete. Over the coming years, we will continue to build this space with additional freestanding resources. We are also working behind the scenes to bring our Forest School and outdoor learning dreams to life - this will take a little longer, but please trust that we are a team on a mission to make it happen!

Have a lovely weekend.  
Mrs McArdle



# DIARY

## *Dates*

- Tues 20 Jan - Year 6 Glow Dodgeball at Oakhill
- Fri 23 Jan - Year 1 film morning at care home
- Thurs 29 Jan - 4.00pm Years 5 & 6 Ribble Valley Sports Hall Athletics
- Tues 3 Feb - Year 6 London trip
- Sun 8 Feb - Clitheroe URC Service Year 2 & Year 4 All welcome
- Mon 9 Feb - Year 4 Egyptian museum trip
- Mon 9 Feb - Year 6 Synagogue trip
- Weds 11 Feb - Valentine lunch at care home
- Thurs 12 Feb - 1.30pm Story workshop with Reception parents
- Fri 13 Feb - 9.00am Lent worship All welcome
- Fri 13 Feb - 3.30pm CLOSE FOR HALF TERM

## THIS WEEK

### *in Pictures*

We're thrilled to share our plans to revamp the EYFS outdoor area! Work starts on Monday 26th January!



Thanks to a productive Barrow Buddy playtime, removal work has begun already in our EYFS outdoor area





**IMPORTANT**

If you have not already done so, please complete the online Photo & Pet Permissions 2026 form. This must be completed even if your permissions have not changed. Thank you.



### School lunches

Please remember that all school lunches for the following week must be booked by midnight on Friday. Lunches can be booked in advance right up until the end of this half term.

Unfortunately, any lunches that have not been booked in advance, cannot be accommodated on the day. Thank you for your support and cooperation.



A pair of Ray-Ban sunglasses have been left in the school hall. If you think these may be yours, please contact the school office for more details.

**Parent drop-in session**  
with  
Rachel Dent (school nurse)  
and Mary Stones  
(Children and Family Wellbeing)

**hcrq**  
Children and Family Wellbeing Service

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026**  
**2.30-3.30pm**  
**The Nurture Hub**

You are welcome to drop in to ask any questions, seek advice or next steps for any worries regarding your child. Please contact the office to book a time slot.

bed wetting      weight  
sleep      mental health      behaviour  
medical conditions      ... and more!

A colorful illustration of many hands of different skin tones raised in the air, symbolizing a community or group.

# THIS WEEK

*in Notices*



United Reformed Church  
Clitheroe, BB7 1AZ



Lunch (a hearty soup followed by cake)  
and a Talk by Mrs McArdle  
on The Bethany Project



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Barrow School and The Shop of Hope  
(cash only)

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