



# Newsletter

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## Royal Wedding Celebrations



On Friday 18th May the children enjoyed celebrating the Royal Wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex.

Year 1 and 2 visited Emmanuel church and we had two very excited Year 2 children to stand in as the 'bride and groom' and Reverend Mike carried out a mock wedding ceremony so that the children could witness first hand what a traditional wedding ceremony entails. It was a great experience for all involved! When we returned to school the children celebrated further with a street party and a disco on the playground! A big thank you to parents for supporting the occasion by providing party food and the children's wonderful outfits. Also, thank you to Reverend Mike for finding time in his busy schedule to host the children.





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Nursery children celebrated the Royal wedding by learning about this special event and they created their own decorations to use as part the party. The children all helped to decorate the Nursery garden using different decorations and they were very proud of how it looked on the day.

The children entered the Nursery walking up the red carpet which made the event very special. The children all took part in a wedding ceremony in the school hall where they acted out a pretend wedding using different props and materials that would be used for this special event. They all enjoyed celebrating the event with a party after the ceremony.



*Early Years, KS1 and KS2 enjoying their Royal Wedding party celebrations*







# SPORTS NEWS

## GIRLS FOOTBALL

Congratulations to the girls' football team who were crowned winners of the North Liverpool Girls' Football League. The team went on to play in the city finals, achieving second place in the City. This is a wonderful achievement and we are very proud of them!

Well done to year 6 pupils, Aimee Berry and Abbie Hope, who represented Liverpool School Girls against Sefton School Girls at Goodison this month. Congratulations also to Katie Jones and Sadie Atkinson who have also been part of the Liverpool School Girls' Squad this season.

Well done to our Under 9 girls' football team, who played their first team match last week. The girls demonstrated exceptional team spirit and sportsman ship throughout the game and are looking forward to their next match in June.



## INSPIRING FOOTBALLERS OF THE FUTURE



As part of the school's drive to inspire pupils in sport, 30 children and members of their family enjoyed a day trip to Wembley over the bank holiday weekend to watch the Women's FA Cup Final between Chelsea and Arsenal.

Watching a final at the national stadium proved to be a great experience for everyone. The match had plenty of action and plenty of goals, with Chelsea winning 3-1. A record attendance 45,423 provided plenty of support for both teams and a great atmosphere.



## Is your child missing out on £1,320 of additional money that they are entitled to?

Under a government scheme known as the **Pupil Premium Grant**, some children are entitled to receive £1,320 of additional funding every year.

### **What is the Pupil Premium Grant?**

Research shows that children coming from low income families can be significantly behind their peers both academically and socially by the end of primary school. The gap becomes greater by the end of secondary school, with many children from low income families achieving significantly lower GCSE grades. This has a direct impact on their chances of studying A-Levels or applying for future employment opportunities.

The pupil premium was introduced as a means of closing this gap. The child's school receives an additional £1,320 per year which has to be spent on that child to provide additional support both socially and academically. The impact of the additional support has to be monitored to ensure significant gaps do not open up by the end of year 6.

### **Which children are eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant?**

If you have qualified for any of the following in the past, your child might be eligible for the pupil premium grant.

- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit

Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

**If you currently receive Universal Credit with earnings of no more than £7400, your child will be eligible for the pupil premium grant.**

### **How can you check if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant?**

Barlows Primary School now has a system in place that can run a check for you. All we need you to do is to come into school with your National Insurance number and our bursar, Val Wright can run an online check for you. If you do qualify, we will advise you on what to do next.

Alternatively, parents and carers can access the website [fsm.lgfl.net](http://fsm.lgfl.net) to run an eligibility check. Again, this will require your National Insurance number.



# Sports Day



Sports Day will take place on the following dates for the different key stages:

**Reception - Friday 29th June at 10:30am**

**Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) - Wednesday 4th July at 9:30am**

**Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) - Thursday 5th July at 9:30am**

Please note that the date for Nursery will be confirmed shortly.

Parents and carers are invited to join us to watch the activities take place. We would also like to invite you to join the children for a picnic on the field after the races have finished. We will be sending out a letter after half-term to give you further details about the day, but for now please add it to your diaries.

As the events will be taking place outside, should the weather be wet, we will have to cancel the event. We will be keeping an eye on the forecast leading up to it and will let you know as soon as possible if we are going to cancel.

## Book Sale



Thank you to all the staff at Barlows who organised the recent book sale, and to all of you who picked up a few bargains!

As a result of the book sale, the school raised **£196.70** which will go towards purchasing new books for our school library.



**Have a wonderful half-term.**

**All pupils return to school on  
Wednesday 6th June.**