

Barley Mow Primary School

WEEKLY NEWS



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Winning Pumpkins

We were thrilled to receive 88 entries into our Pumpkin competition.

There were some brilliant and very creative entries so a huge well done to everyone involved. Our judge had a very tricky job but these were the favourite pumpkins from each class.

Nursery—Haisleigh

Reception—Hunter

Year 1—Poppy

Year 2—Eris

Year 3—Andaman

Year 4—Kenzi

Year 5—Ellie

Year 6—Corbin

STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery— Carter

Reception— Kruze

Year 1— Dillon

Year 2— Safa

Year 3— Andaman

Year 4— Nova

Year 5— Ebby

Year 6— Rocco

2025 SCHOOL DIARY

Thursday 23rd October	Pumpkin Parade and Colouring competition entries
Friday 24th October	3.20pm School Closes for Half Term
Monday 3rd November	Children return to school 8.50am
Friday 14th November	Non Uniform Day– Children In Need
26th– 27th November	Parents Evening
26th-27th November	Book Fair in school

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2025-26 and 2026-27 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

A busy first half term!

We have had a busy and productive first half term. We have enjoyed many visitors in school including That History Bloke, a team from Durham University who delivered workshops with years 2 and 3. Year 1 have enjoyed a Disney Inspired sports event at Lord Lawson and Early Years loved learning all about Diwali. Year 4 had a great day out at Hamsterley Forest learning all about rivers. We had great success at the Year 5 and 6 athletics competition and had some very proud children who came back with bronze medals. Our Y5 and 6 girls enjoyed taking part in a very soggy football competition too. Year 3 have now all completed their pedestrian training and will be receiving their certificates after the holidays. I just wanted to take the time to thank parents for their support and engagement with school. Also a big well done to our fantastic staff team who have worked tirelessly to give all of the children the best start to the school year.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Our Whole school target is 96%

Last Weeks Whole School Attendance was 94 %

	This Week	This Year	Lates this week
Nursery	92 %	87%	1
Reception	98%	97%	1
Year 1	94%	95%	6
Year 2	99%	97%	10
Year 3	92%	94%	4
Year 4	92%	96%	3
Year 5	89%	94%	5
Year 6	96%	92%	9

A big well done Year 2 !

Colouring Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Halloween fundraising in school. There has been some tough competition especially from the grown ups! Well done to our winners Ava, Taylor, Teddy, Ridhyan, Rosie, Antonia, Olivia, Jessica. Also well done to Kim (Redd's Grandma who won the adults competition.

Medication in school

Staff are only able to administer medication that has been prescribed and is clearly labelled with your child's name. We are only able to give medication in the way that is directed and not by putting in drinks etc. If your child is a little under the weather and you wish for them to have Calpol or something similar we are happy for someone to come into school and administer it.

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