

Barraclough Hall School

Weekly Newsletter Issue 10 – W/C May 12th

Dear parents, students and guardians.

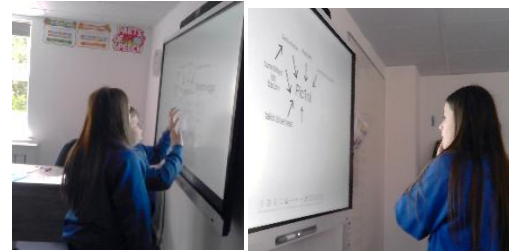
This term certainly does seem to be going very quickly and this week we welcomed another new student into our community. Please read about some of fantastic highlights of the week.

School Attendance

Attendance this week is a fantastic 96% for students on full time and transition timetables. Well done to everyone.

Picnic in a Park – planning time

Students initiated a great idea for and end of term "Picnic in the Park". All students in Crystal collaborated together to brainstorm their picnic items and planning the trip to Greenhead Park. They demonstrated excellent teamwork and communication skills. We can't wait for next Friday and hope the weather stays sunny and warm.



Golden Time – arts and crafts

Students are really enjoying their golden time activities, in particular – arts and crafts where students have been using their imagination creating Steve from Minecraft out of cardboard boxes and using clay to create favourite item.

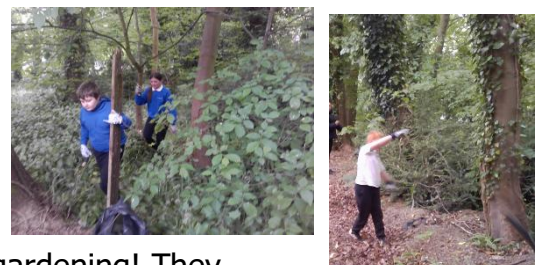


Creative Writing

Crystal class have been focussing on writing magazine articles in English. They planned their work and have been focussing on extended sentences with creative writing skills. Excellent work produced covering their own personal interests such as cheerleading, Dubai and saving animals. Well done to everyone.

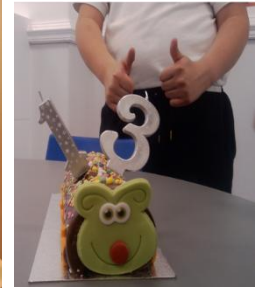
Time to start clearing

Students have taken part in working with staff to start clearing areas within our beautiful wooded area. During this time they came across a huge area of natural garlic wild plants and were amazed how seed dispersal has taken place. Little bit of Science knowledge gained whilst gardening! They learnt how to work together using new gardening tools. Lots of work still to be done but watch this space for Forest School plans.



Barraclough's first student birthday celebration

Our first birthday celebration at Barraclough, and how fitting it was as it was for our very first student who we opened with. He was able to make his own scones which were delicious and then shared a birthday cake with all staff and students. Happy birthday!



Kirklees publish **SEND monthly newsletters** which provide a great read. Please see the link below:

<https://www.kirkleeslocaloffer.org.uk/kirklees-send-newsletters/>

Healthy foods/snacks

If your child would like to bring in a snack for during the day, in addition to our healthy snacks we provide, please can you ensure these are healthy. Fizzy drinks, sweets and chocolate are not permitted as we continue to promote healthy eating in school. Thank you for your co-operation.

Who do I need to contact?

All initial enquiries should go through the school office by emailing the school office on schooloffice@Barracloughhallschool.co.uk or by ringing 01484 244300. Should you wish to inform us of an absence please speak with the school office. In the event of the school office not being available please leave a voicemail which will be picked up and relevant people informed.

Dates for your diary: Summer Term 1

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May

Inset Day staff only – Thursday 8th May

End of Summer 1 term – Friday 23rd May

Please note academic term dates for 2025-2026 are now published on the website.

Consultations and placements are now open for the September 2025 places. Please contact the school for enquiries or to arrange a visit.