Re: KH/FS/Half Term

20th May 2025

Barr Beacon School

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Half Term

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we close the first part of the summer term, I write to remind of you some key dates for the forthcoming half term. School will close on Friday 23rd May 2025 to all pupils and reopen on Monday 2nd June 2025.

Uniform:

By the summer term, pupils have typically begin to outgrow their uniform. However, our standards and expectations do not change. Please ensure that your child's uniform meets the school's expectations. A reminder of our policy can be found here:

https://barrbeaconschool.co.uk/uniform/

Parentpay:

You should now have access to your Parentpay account enabling you to ensure your child has sufficient funds to purchase food and drinks. If you are experiencing any difficulties, please contact your child's House Office who will be able to support you.

From Monday 2nd June, the cost of a school meal will increase from £2.40 to £2.80.

This decision has not been made lightly but is necessary due to several factors beyond our control. Over the past few years, we have experienced significant increases in food costs, staffing expenses, and national insurance contributions. In order to continue to provide nutritious, high-quality meals for all of our pupils, we must adjust the price to reflect these rising costs.

We remain committed to offering healthy and balanced meals, and this increase will help ensure we can maintain the standards you and your children expect.

Attendance:

A reminder that we never authorise holidays taken during term time. We know that excellent attendance leads to better outcomes for pupils and we are unapologetic in celebrating 100% attendance for pupils. Please do not be offended if our School Attendance Officer visits your residence during your child's absence; visits are part of our process for checking pupils' welfare. If you are planning a holiday during term time, fixed penalty notices will be issued by the Local Authority.





Thank you for your continued support in helping your child to achieve their potential. Have a restful break.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Hibbs

Headteacher



