



# SCHOOL BROCHURE

## September 2026



## Welcome from the Headteacher

On behalf of the children, staff and governors, I'd like to welcome you to Barrowcliff School.

You will not be surprised to hear (like all Headteachers) that I am very proud of our school where the welfare, wellbeing and achievement of our children are firmly embedded.

We are a team who believe in the value of every child and adult who comes into our school. We want all our school family to feel valued, happy and respected, and to recognise their role in continuing to make our school the best it can be. We aim to raise standards and ensure all pupils reach their full potential in every area of school life: academic, social, personal, physical and spiritual. We maintain this within an enjoyable and challenging learning environment that is rewarding for everyone. Through our teaching, we equip children with the skills, knowledge and understanding necessary to be able to make informed choices and take appropriate risks.

We work very hard to ensure we have a strong, dedicated and passionate team of teachers, teaching assistants and support staff that are all working to achieve our shared ethos and values. We are proud of the positive comments we regularly receive from visitors about our staff and positive learning environment and hope that as you read through our school brochure, you gain a sense of this shared vision throughout our school family.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our fantastic, community-driven school. If you have any questions before then, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Mr Mark Rogers**  
**Headteacher**



## About our School

Barrowcliff is a family and a team where everyone is given the challenge and support to be the best they can possibly be in a safe, welcoming and positive environment.

Our school values are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning, and provide an environment which prepares our pupils as confident, happy citizens.



## We are Ofsted 'Good'



Inspectors who visited Barrowcliff School on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023 confirmed our school is a 'Good' school. 'Good' ratings were achieved in every one of the areas of inspection.

Ofsted commended our school for our 'ambitious curriculum' and for 'supporting pupils to develop high levels of independence, providing a strong foundation for future learning'. Pupils at our school told inspectors that they are 'proud to be members of Barrowcliff School' and they 'feel safe and part of the school community'.

We are delighted with the report, which evidenced what we already knew – just how good our school is. It reflects our strong and positive learning environment and that's why our children love coming to school, why our parents and carers value our 'family ethos' and why our staff are proud to work here.

The full report can be found here: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/121314>

## Ethos and Values

We aim to provide the highest quality education for all children in a caring, happy environment.

- To encourage a caring and responsible feeling towards each other, the school and the community.
- All children should learn tolerance of and respect for others and appreciate that other people have a right to hold different views in our multicultural society.
- All children should develop the ability to make informed decisions and work independently where possible.
- To help everyone to gain the confidence to join in, share and enjoy all aspects of school life.
- Make every effort to foster the participation of parents in the life of the school.
- Ensure links with the community form an aspect of all children's education.
- Ensure all children are encouraged to take part in leisure activities.



## **Our School Building**

The original Barrowcliff Nursery & Infant School and Barrowcliff Junior School were partially demolished in 2011 and one through Primary and Nursery School built, forming today's Barrowcliff School. Our school building offers modern classroom facilities, a library, Computer Suite, group rooms, numerous resource areas and a sports hall/dining area/assembly hall, sensory garden and sensory room. The school enjoys an open aspect with playing fields, separate playgrounds for Early Years, Infant and Junior children, play equipment, an outdoor gym, an astroturf multi-use games area, lawns and gardens.



## Our School Staff

We are very proud to have such a talented and dedicated team of staff, both teaching and support, to help your child make the most of every opportunity in school.

### Our School Leaders



**Mr Rogers**  
Headteacher  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Dixon**  
Acting Deputy Headteacher  
SENCO  
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



**Miss Appleby**  
School Business Manager

### Nursery Team



**Miss Humpleby**  
Nursery Leader



**Miss Lester**  
Nursery Assistant



**Miss Glass**  
Nursery Assistant

### Reception Team



**Mrs Boyes**  
Teacher  
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



**Miss Lowes**  
Teaching Assistant



**Mrs Clemmit**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 1 Team



**Mrs Bairstow**  
Teacher



**Mrs Brown**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 2 Team



**Miss Conyers**  
Teacher



**Miss Wilson**  
Teacher (3 days)



**Miss Pratt**  
Teacher (2 days)



**Mrs Hulme**  
Teaching Assistant



**Mr Hill**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 3 Team



**Mrs Lukehurst**  
Teacher



**Mrs Procter**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 4 Team



**Mrs Jordan**  
Teacher  
(4 days)



**Miss Pratt**  
Teacher  
(1 day)



**Mrs Scales**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 5 Team



**Miss Castleton**  
Teacher  
(Maternity Cover)



**Mrs Robertshaw**  
Teacher  
(Maternity Leave)



**Mrs Webster**  
Teaching Assistant

## Year 6 Team



**Mrs Coverdale**  
Teacher



**Mrs Redford**  
Teaching Assistant

## Higher Level Teaching Assistants



**Mrs Ackroyd**  
Class Cover



**Miss Keech**  
SEN HLTA

## Office Team



**Miss Appleby**  
Business Manager



**Mrs Parker**  
Administrator



**TBC**  
Attendance Officer &  
SEN Administrator

## Busy Bees Wraparound Care Staff



**Mr Hill**



**Mrs Ackroyd**



**Miss Keech**



**Miss Lowes**



**Mrs Shepherdson**



**Mrs Smith**



**Mrs Willis**

## Lunchtime Staff



**Mrs D Hill**  
Cook



**Mrs M Willis**  
Assistant Cook



**Mrs G Smith**  
Kitchen Assistant



**Mrs J Shepherdson**  
Kitchen Assistant



**Mrs S Crawford**  
Kitchen Assistant



**Mrs S Ackroyd**  
Lunchtime Supervisor



**Miss Z Moseley**  
Lunchtime Supervisor



**Miss A Dack**  
Lunchtime Supervisor



**Miss H Simpson**  
Lunchtime Supervisor

## Caretaking & Cleaning Staff



**Mr P Taylor**  
Caretaker



**Mrs J Ingle**  
Cleaner



**Miss K Bell**  
Cleaner



**Mrs L Hunter**  
Cleaner



**Miss A Dack**  
Cleaner



**Miss M Cyphers**  
Cleaner

## Our School Governors

School Governors are volunteers who guide and support the direction of the school. They are members of the school team and their contribution to the running of the school is highly valued.

### The role of the Governing Body is to:

- Set aims and objectives for the school
- Set the policies for achieving those aims and objectives
- Set targets for achieving those aims and objectives
- Monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making towards achievement of its aims and objectives
- Be a source of challenge and support to the Headteacher (a critical friend)

### Our Governing Body is made up of:

- 2 parent governors
- 1 local authority governor
- 6 co-opted governors
- 1 staff governor
- The Headteacher

### Our Governing Body Members

<b>Chair of Governors/Co-opted Governor</b>	Dr Ann-Marie Hunter
<b>Vice Chair of Governors/Co-opted Governor</b>	Mrs Lisa Ponter
<b>LA Governor</b>	Dr Sree Jaidev
<b>Co-opted Governor</b>	Mr Steve Machen
<b>Co-opted Governor</b>	Miss Louise Bunton
<b>Co-opted Governor</b>	Mr John Ritchie
<b>Co-opted Governor</b>	Vacant
<b>Parent Governor</b>	Miss J Marshall
<b>Parent Governor</b>	Mrs Beverley Sanderson
<b>Staff Governor</b>	Mrs Kay Boyes
<b>Associate Governor</b>	Miss Michelle Appleby
<b>Headteacher/Ex-Officio</b>	Mr Mark Rogers
<b>Clerk to the Governors</b>	

## Admissions

### How to apply for a place

Applications for places at Barrowcliff School from Reception to Year 6 are managed by our Local Authority, North Yorkshire Council. You will find all the information you need, including an online application form to apply for a place, on their website at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions>

Please note that we are unable to offer places on our school roll directly; all admissions must be processed by North Yorkshire Council.

### Reception Admissions

Children are admitted to our Reception classes in September each year. Your child will start school in the September that falls before their 5th birthday. In the summer term before children start Reception, we host welcome meetings and school tours for all new parents, and offer transition sessions for children. Our reception teachers also go out and visit your child in their nursery, if they attend one. We speak to nursery practitioners and gain valuable information about your child including their likes, dislikes and personality, to get to know them as well as we can before they join us.

Before your child joins our Reception class it is a tremendous help if they can do the following things:

- Recognise their name as it is written
- Remove and put on outdoor clothing independently
- Use a knife and fork whilst eating
- Use the toilet independently and flush it
- Wash and dry his/her hands
- Tidy his/her toys away independently
- Use a tissue/handkerchief
- Listen to and carry out given instructions

### In-Year Transfers

If you have recently moved to the area or would like to transfer your child to us from another primary school in the local area, the first step is to contact North Yorkshire Council and complete an in-year transfer application form using the link above. You can express your school preferences on the form, and they will contact you and let you know whether we have a space in the year group your child is in. Once you have been allocated a place, we will contact you to arrange a tour of school and a start date.

### Appeals

The maximum number of admissions agreed with the Local Authority for Barrowcliff School is 60 per year group. If your child cannot be allocated a place at Barrowcliff School you will be entitled to an appeal in line with current legislation. Appeal arrangements are available on the North Yorkshire Council website: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions>

## Admissions to Nursery

Our vibrant Nursery is open to children from the age of 2 years.

We offer both 15 and 30 hour funded places, together with flexible top-up sessions and access to our before and after school club, Busy Bees.

To request more information or for an informal chat, please contact the school office on 01723 351767. Our waiting list application form can be found on our website or you can request a paper copy from the school office.

### Our Nursery Staff

Our Nursery is led by Miss Humpleby. She holds a degree in Early Childhood and has numerous years' experience working with children in Early Years. She is assisted by Miss Lester and Miss Glass. All staff are key workers and your child will be allocated a named key worker when they start our Nursery.

### Funded Places

All children aged 3 and above can access 15 hours of free childcare from the beginning of the term after their 3rd birthday. Terms begin in September, after Christmas, and after Easter.

Children of working families and disadvantaged families may be eligible for a funded place from the age of 2. Working families of 3 year old children may be eligible for up to 30 hours of free childcare.

You can get help with the cost of childcare through:

- **Tax-Free Childcare**
- **Free Childcare for Working Parents**

For more information, to check your eligibility and to apply for funding, visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs>

### Paid for Places

Sessions are chargeable where they are not covered by government childcare funding. These can be purchased as extra sessions on top of government funded places, or where a parent is not eligible for a government funded place. We offer morning, afternoon or full day sessions. Charges are as follows:

- 2 year olds - £25 per session (3 hours), £50 per day (6 hours)
- 3 year olds - £20 per session (3 hours), £40 per day (6 hours)

Parents will be asked to sign a document agreeing to the charges where chargeable sessions are booked.

### Other Charges

- School lunches are charged at £1.70 per meal unless your child is eligible for free school meals.

## The School Day

	Reception	Infants	Juniors	Nursery
<b>Gates open</b>	☆ 8.40am	☆ 8.40am	☆ 8.40am	☆ 8.40am
<b>Lessons begin</b>	☆ 8.45am	☆ 8.45am	☆ 8.45am	☆ 8.50am
<b>Morning break</b>	Free flow play	10.00am – 10.15am	10.00am – 10.15am	Free flow play
<b>Lunchtime</b>	12.00noon – 1.00pm	12.00noon – 1.00pm	12.15pm – 1.15pm	11.45am – 12.15pm
<b>End of school</b>	☆ 3.15pm	☆ 3.15pm	☆ 3.15pm	☆ 3.00pm

### **Morning Arrival**

Children should arrive at school at **8.40am**.

Infant children are brought into their playground by their parent/carer, and their class teacher or teaching assistant will open the classroom doors at **8.40am** for registration.

Junior doors are open from **8.40am** and children can make their way straight to their classrooms.

If you need to leave a message for your child's class teacher, please inform the office or use the Class Dojo messaging system.

There is no internal access from the Junior playground to the Nursery and Infant playgrounds for safeguarding reasons. Access to these playgrounds is through the gate at the top of the snicket between **Ash Grove and Briercliffe only**.

### **Late Arrivals**

Gates close at 8.45am. Children arriving **after 8.45am** are late.

They must enter school through the **school office** to be registered and to order their lunch.

### **End of the Day**

At the end of the school day, children are taken to the playgrounds by school staff.

Children in nursery, reception, year 1 and year 2 must be collected by a named adult.

Children in year 3, 4, 5 and 6 can walk home with written permission from their parent/carer.

### **Before & After School Club**

If you need wrap-around care for your child, our out of school club Busy Bees opens at 7.45am every morning and includes breakfast at our free breakfast club.

Our after school club is open until 5.30pm and includes a snack and drink.

Further details are provided later in this brochure.

## Uniform

<b>All Pupils inc. Nursery</b>	Purple sweatshirt or cardigan, white polo shirt. Black or grey trousers, skirt or dress. Black or grey shorts or a purple gingham dress may be worn in summer.
<b>Shoes</b>	Black shoes. Should be practical and suitable for walking and running.
<b>P.E. &amp; Sport</b>	Indoor P.E. – Plain white t-shirt, black shorts, plimsolls/trainers. Outdoor P.E. – Plain white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms, school hoodie (for colder weather), trainers.

**All items of school uniform with a logo are available to buy from Edge Clothing, our local uniform provider:**

<https://www.edgeclothing.co.uk/store/Barrowcliff-School-c61033108>

Uniform items without a logo are available from local stores and supermarkets.



### Jewellery

Jewellery is not allowed in school other than a single pair of stud earrings in the lower lobes. **These must be taken out for P.E. lessons** or covered up with micropore tape, which must be brought from home.

### Hair

Haircuts with words shaved in are not permitted.

### Sunglasses, Hats and Sun Cream

Sunglasses and hats may be worn in hot weather. Sun cream is **not** provided by school and must be brought from home. Staff will help the youngest children apply their sun cream.



## Free Breakfast Club

Our Free Breakfast Club, funded by the Department for Education (DfE), opened in April 2026. This fantastic initiative allows us to offer children a healthy, positive start to their school day at no cost to families. We understand how busy mornings can be, and our aim is to provide a flexible, supportive service that benefits both pupils and parents.

### Flexible Options for Families

To support the differing needs of our families, we offer **two options** for before school care:

#### 1. Free Breakfast Club

Our Free Breakfast Club provides every child with a nutritious breakfast in a calm, welcoming environment. This session is fully funded by the DfE, meaning there is **no charge** for school-aged children. **Free Breakfast Club opens at 8.10am until 8.40am, in the school hall.**

#### 2. Busy Bees Early Drop-Off

For families needing childcare earlier in the morning, our Busy Bees before school provision opens before Free Breakfast Club. This supervised session offers a smooth start to the day and supports parents who require a little extra flexibility. **Busy Bees opens at 7.45am, and the cost to use this provision is £2.50 per child per day. See over the page for further information.**

#### Nursery Breakfast Club Fees

For our **nursery-aged children**, the Breakfast Club is available at a cost of **£5 per child per session, from 7.45am**. Nursery provision is **not subsidised by the DfE-funded Free Breakfast Club**, so this fee covers the full cost of supervision and includes a healthy breakfast. We ensure our youngest learners receive the same warm, nurturing start to their day as the rest of our pupils.

#### What Children Can Expect

Our Breakfast Club offers a calm, friendly space where children can:

- Enjoy a nutritious breakfast
- Socialise with their friends
- Take part in gentle morning activities
- Begin the day feeling settled, supported, and ready to learn

All sessions are supervised by familiar school staff.

### How to Book


There is **no requirement to book for Free Breakfast Club**, just turn up! Entry is via the Ash Grove gate from 8.10am, and through the school office to the hall.

**Busy Bees places must be booked in advance** by calling the school office on 01723 351767, or emailing [admin@barrowcliff.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@barrowcliff.n-yorks.sch.uk).

## Busy Bees Before & After School Club

### Before School

We offer before school childcare for families who require drop off before our Free Breakfast Club opens. This low-cost, supervised session provides flexibility for busy families while ensuring children are well looked after until Breakfast Club begins.

 **Busy Bees Before School Club** starts from **7.45am**, and costs **£2.50 per child**.

For our nursery-aged children, the before school club is available at a charge of **£5 for the full hour**. As nursery provision is not subsidised by the DfE-funded Free Breakfast Club, this fee covers the full cost of supervision and includes a nutritious breakfast to help children start their day ready to learn.

### After School

**Busy Bees After School club is open until 5.30pm every day during term-time.**

It is run by Barrowcliff School staff, and there are various activities for the children to enjoy in a relaxed, safe and fun environment. Children are provided with a drink and a snack.


Busy Bees is open to all children including Nursery.

### Timetable & Costs


#### Before School Club


 Opens **7:45am (term time only)**

 Cost: **£2.50 per child**

 Nursery children are charged at **£5.00 per child**


#### After School Club

 Open from end of school until **5.30pm (term time only)**


 Includes a snack and drinks


 Cost:

- **£5.00** (up to 4.15pm) per child
- **£10.00** (up to 5.30pm) per child

 **24-hour notice of cancellation** is required. **Late collection fees** will be charged at £5.00 per child per 15 minutes after 5.30pm.

### Booking / Contact Information

 **School Office:** 01723 351767 (from 7.45am until 4.30pm)

 **Mobile:** 07816 096821 (after 4.30pm)

## Attendance

**At Barrowcliff School we want every child to achieve, enjoy every opportunity, and succeed. One of the ways you can help us to do this is to ensure they attend school every day.**

**Our attendance targets are:**

- 95%+ for every child
- 96% whole-school attendance

**Your responsibility:** Ensure your child attends regularly and on time.

**Our responsibility:** Monitor attendance and keep children safe.

### **Punctuality Matters**

School starts at **8.45am**

- After 8.45am → **Late (L)**
- Must sign in at the office and order their lunch
- After 9.15am → **Unauthorised late (U)**

**Being on time helps children settle and learn from the start of the day.**

### **If Your Child Is Unwell**

We understand that sometimes children are not well enough to attend school.

**Please contact us on before 8.45am and tell us:**

- Your child's name
- Their class
- Reason for absence
- Expected return date

**To report your child absent, you can call the office on 01723 351767 (Option 1) and leave a voicemail, or send a Whatsapp or text message to 07887 094606.**

**If we don't hear from you:**

- We will contact you by text message and/or by phone
- If we cannot contact you, we may visit your home address as part of our safeguarding procedures
- If no reason is given → **'O' (unauthorised)**
- Repeated unauthorised absences may lead to further action (see below)

**Please let us know if you need any help with your child's school attendance - we're here to support you.**

### **Medicine in School**

We know that sometimes children are a little unwell and may need medication, such as Calpol, to get through the day. They may also have been given medicine by a doctor, such as an antibiotic, and need to have this while they are in school.

**We are able to administer both prescribed and non-prescribed medication.**

If your child requires medication in school time, it must be brought to the school office where you will be given a consent form to complete. All medicines must be in their original container, and the dosage information must be clearly marked. We cannot administer medication without your written consent. **Medication must NOT be given to your child to bring into school themselves.**

## Medical Appointments

Hospital, medical and dental appointments should, where possible, be made out of school times. If this is not possible, we will require confirmation of the appointment. This can be an appointment card, text, or letter to be able to authorise the absence.

## Authorised Absence

- ✓ Illness (medical evidence may be requested)
- ✓ Emergency medical appointments
- ✓ Religious observance
- ✓ Family bereavement

## Unauthorised Absence

- ⊘ Holidays in term time
- ⊘ Persistent minor illnesses without medical evidence
- ⊘ Late nights / tiredness
- ⊘ Birthdays or family visits
- ⊘ Looking after others
- ⊘ Refusal to attend

## Holidays in Term Time

**Cannot be authorised**

You must complete a request form  
You may receive a **£160 fine per child**

## Fines and Legal Responsibility

From September 2024:

- **5 days of unauthorised absence in 10 weeks** = possible fine
- Includes a mix of absences and late arrivals (U code)

Parents have a **legal duty** to ensure attendance.

## Persistent Absence

Below **90% attendance** = Persistent Absentee

This means around **19 days missed** in a year.

The school will:

- Offer support
- Begin an **attendance action plan**





## Working Together

We want every child to succeed.

Please talk to us early if you need support.

## Communication

We have various ways of communicating with parents and utilise the following methods to keep parents fully informed:

-  **Arbor Parent App**
-  **Class Dojo**
-  **Our school website** [www.barrowcliff.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.barrowcliff.n-yorks.sch.uk)
-  **Facebook** (search for Barrowcliff School)

Our staff are friendly and approachable and are available for telephone calls or meetings by request if you wish to discuss any aspects of your child's education. Please ask at the office.

Formal reporting on individual pupils is carried out throughout the year via Parents Evenings and a full Annual Report.



We use the Arbor Parent App in school for communicating with you and keeping you up to date with important information and events in school. The App is used by you as parents/carers for:

- **Accessing important information about your child in one place:** Check your child's details, update emergency contact information, medical information, view attendance and behaviour information, update dietary requirements and much more.
- **Getting updates from school via push notifications:** Get notified when school sends out a new message via the App.
- **Managing tasks on the go:** Make payments, consent to trips, or book parents evening appointments.

All parents/carers will receive an email invitation to log in to the Arbor app.



### Get wonderful news about your child's learning and success!

ClassDojo is used by our class teachers to tell you about all the wonderful things that your child is learning, and alerts you when they've been praised for good work or a great character skill. No more replies of "Nothing!" when you ask "What did you do at school today?"

It makes you smile, feel proud, and inspires better home learning support and encouragement.

All parents/carers will be sent an invite link to join their child's class.

## School Meals

Delicious, nutritious meals are available daily for all children at our school. We are committed to promoting healthy eating and encourage every child to enjoy a well-balanced lunch each day.

Children can choose between a freshly cooked **hot meal** or our **Cold Café option**, which includes sandwiches, jacket potatoes with a variety of fillings, and salads. A **vegetarian hot meal** is also available every day.



Menus change each term and are shaped by children's preferences. The most up-to-date menu is always available on our website.

We can usually cater for **special dietary requirements and allergies**. Please contact the school office to discuss individual needs.

### **Universal Infant Free School Meals**

All children in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** are entitled to **Universal Free School Meals (UFSM)**. These meals are provided at no cost to families, and children can enjoy a healthy hot meal or Cold Café option each day.

### **Free School Meals (Income-Based)**

Your child may be eligible for **Free School Meals (FSM)** if you are on a low income or receive certain benefits, including Universal Credit.

Applying is quick and important, even if your child already receives Universal Free Meals, as it can provide additional funding for the school.

- **Apply online via North Yorkshire Council:**  
<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>
- Or complete a paper application form from the school office.

**Please note:** Applications are not backdated, so we encourage you to apply as soon as possible to avoid charges.

### **Paid School Meals**

For children who are not eligible for free meals:

- **£2.40 per day (£12.00 per week)** for school-aged children
- **£1.80 per day** for Nursery children

Meals must be **paid in advance**. Children select their meal choice each morning during registration.

Payments are made using the **Arbor app**, which can be accessed via a phone, tablet, or computer. If you do not have internet access, payments can also be made using a PayPoint card. Login details will be provided when your child starts school.

## **Packed Lunches**

Children may bring a packed lunch if they prefer.

Please ensure:

- Food is brought in a **clearly named lunch bag**
- Your child has a **drink**

Packed lunches **must follow school food standards** and include healthy, balanced options.

The following items are **not permitted**:

- Fizzy drinks
- Sweets
- Chocolate
- Biscuits

If these items are included, children will not be allowed to eat them during the school day. Any uneaten food will be sent home.

If you have concerns about your child's eating, please speak to their class teacher.



## Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

Some of our pupils may need a little extra help and this is where our Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) support comes in. Each child with additional needs is offered different tailored support to meet their needs. Staff at Barrowcliff School work closely with our children, their parents and, where appropriate, outside agencies, to develop each child's individual support package.

We welcome all children including those with SEND. We make our very best endeavours to meet the needs of all children including those with physical, learning, communication, emotional and social difficulties. Our school is fully accessible to children and adults with physical disabilities via ramps and stair lifts. We ensure that equipment used is accessible to all children regardless of their needs. After school provision and extracurricular activities are accessible for all children, including those with SEND.



Our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) is Mrs Dixon. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs Dixon via the school office on 01723 351767.

All our policies and procedures relating to SEND, Inclusion, English as an Additional Language (EAL), Accessibility Plan and our SEND Information Report are available on our website. If you require paper copies of any of these policies, please let the school office know and they will be provided free of charge.

## Safeguarding in School

### Our Responsibilities for Keeping Children Safe

At Barrowcliff School, safeguarding is a fundamental part of our work. As parents and carers, it is important that you know from the beginning that we have both a **legal duty** and a **moral responsibility** to protect every child in our care. This means that we always follow national and local safeguarding guidance, and we will take whatever action is necessary to ensure children are safe, supported and able to thrive.

By choosing Barrowcliff School, you are placing your trust in us to care for your child's wellbeing. We take this responsibility extremely seriously and are committed to creating a safe, nurturing and emotionally healthy environment for all pupils.



### Our Safeguarding Team

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is **Mr Rogers (Headteacher)**. He is supported by our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSLs) **Mrs Dixon, Mrs Boyes** and our Governor Safeguarding Lead **Mr Steve Machen**. This team is responsible for overseeing all safeguarding concerns in school, working with families, and liaising with external agencies when additional help is needed. There is always a trained DSL or DDSL available during school hours.

## Term Dates 2026/2027

### Autumn Term 2026

**Term starts:** Wednesday 9 September 2026

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 26 October – 30 October 2026

● **Christmas Holiday:** 21 December 2026 – 1 January 2027

☆ **Training Days:** 7 September, 8 September, & 23 October 2026

### Spring Term 2027

**Term starts:** Tuesday 5 January 2027

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 8 February – 12 February 2027

🐰 **Easter Holiday:** 22 March – 2 April 2027

☆ **Training Day:** 4 January 2027

### Summer Term 2027

**Term starts:** Monday 5 April 2027

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 1 June – 4 June 2027

● **Term ends:** 23 July 2027

☆ **Training Day:** 26 July 2027

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## Term Dates 2027/2028

### Autumn Term 2027

**Term starts:** Wednesday 8 September 2027

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 25 October – 29 October 2027

● **Christmas Holiday:** 20 December 2027 – 3 January 2028 (bank holiday)

☆ **Training Days:** 6 September & 7 September 2027

### Spring Term 2028

**Term starts:** Wednesday 5 January 2028

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 21 February – 25 February 2028

☺ **Easter Holiday:** 10 April – 21 April 2028

☆ **Training Day:** 4 January 2028

### Summer Term 2028

**Term starts:** Monday 24 April 2028

◆ **Half Term Holiday:** 29 May – 2 June 2028

● **Term ends:** 21 July 2028

☆ **Training Day:** 24 July & 25 July 2028

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