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# Barry Island

Tuesday 5th September - Public event

## Barry Promenade 13:00 - 14:30 PM

The Baton Relay will be going along the Promenade on what will be an exciting first day of term for the 3 local primary schools involved. Members of the public are encouraged to line the Promenade and to be a part of the celebrations.



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## The Gavin and Stacey Phenomenon



There is no doubt that Gavin and Stacey has become one of the most well-known TV sitcoms of recent times. The much loved show, that involved the story of a Welsh girl falling for an Essex boy, appealed to many viewers due to its unique humour, grasping storylines and most of all, its relatable characters. The seaside resort of Barry Island was put on the map as the filming location for many of the programme's most iconic scenes.

The location of the hugely successful TV show became even more popular than before, and Barry Island now boasts the official 'Gavin and Stacey Tour'. What better way for fans to see the sites - from Nessa's chair in the amusement arcade to Marco's café where Stacey worked - than on the famous Dave's Coaches Tours?!

With the sitcom generating over 1.7 millions views by the time the second series aired, the area surrounding Barry Island had become so popular, the roads around the island had to be reconstructed to accommodate the influx of eager fans who were keen to see what was "occurring" around the area. Although the much loved show ended in 2010, it's legacy most definitely lives on.

## The official GC2018 mascot visits Barry Island



On March 10th 2017, Barry Island was one of three host locations in South Wales to welcome Borobi, the official mascot of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games during his visit to Wales. Borobi was joined on the Promenade by pupils from Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg who sang and danced with Borobi. Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg will be joining us for a second occasion this year to celebrate the Queen's Baton Relay on Barry Promenade.

Check out the full video of Borobi's Visit here:



Prof. Nicola Phillips, Chef de Mission, Team Wales

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