

# SIR JOHN BARROW SCHOOL

## WEEKLY SNIPPETS



SUCCESSING  
ENJOYING  
BELONGING

Thursday 16th December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you have all enjoyed the various christmas productions this week either virtually or face to face. All the children performed so well and it is always a delight to see them enjoying themselves. We hope to provide an opportunity for our KS2 pupils to perform live later on in the year if they would like to.

The children had a great time at the Christmas parties yesterday. Thank you to DJ Mr Connell for providing the disco and to the teachers and administration team for all their work. Today each class are having a Santa Dash to end the term on a festive note.

The PTA had their AGM this week. Can I say a special thank you to them for continuing to raise money and support us as a school over the last 18 months. Thank you too, to those who get behind them. We really could not provide the education we do without their help. Please see the Governor newsletter for more information.

We say goodbye and thank you to Mrs Charlotte Pearson today who has been working in Year 4 this term. Mrs Pearson is moving on to a new role and we wish her every success.

Children, staff and governors have all worked very hard this year and I would like to pass on my thanks. A happy and relaxing holiday is well deserved. We are also grateful for the parental/carers support we receive. It makes a big difference in school.

Wishing you all a wonderful christmas and a Happy New Year from all at SJB.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Helen Pearson, Headteacher

## WHAT'S ON AT SJB?

Mon 3rd Jan	School Closed
Tue 4th Jan	School Closed- Staff Inset
Wed 5th Jan	Children Return to School
Thur 6th Jan	
Fri 7th Jan	

## Snippets

School returns Wed 5th January

Please can we ask that you check the children have full, correct school uniform - including a complete PE kit for the start of the new year. We encourage the children to have a pair of black/navy/grey jogging pants for PE incase they are outside. Please let the school know if you are having any financial difficulty in providing correct uniform. We will speak to you confidentially and do our best to help.

New menu now available on ParentPay for Week 1 in January 2022.. More to follow shortly.

Save the Children -  
Christmas jumper Day  
**We received £111.25**  
Thank you!

If any parents use Amazon- please can we encourage you to continue using [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)

**TERM DATES: 2021/22**



### Exciting Funding Opportunity

SJB is part of the Furness Primary Collaborative. This is a group of 14 infant/junior, primary schools in the Ulverston and Dalton Area, who have worked together over many years.

We are delighted, as part of FPC, to have been offered funding by Orcina Ltd to support our teaching and learning and our most vulnerable children. FPC is led by the schools' headteachers and the funding will allow schools to work together to enhance provision and improve outcomes for our children. Almost 2000 children within the cluster will benefit from the funding. This year the schools will be working together to support children's reading. We are very grateful to Orcina Ltd for enabling these exciting opportunities across our schools.

### Catch up/ Keep up

We have been very focused this term on identifying any gaps in children's learning due to Covid19 disruptions. This is to inform our teaching. Reading and the teaching of phonics is a very high priority, along with basic skills in mathematics. In addition, subject leaders across the curriculum have audited gaps in learning to ensure key concepts are revisited. The staff have worked exceptionally hard and are very appreciative of parental support. The aim is **to catch up and keep up**, so if your child is offered any additional support, please can we encourage you to grab it with both hands and say yes.



# IMPORTANT

## Changes to Breakfast Club and After School Club

Dear Parent/Carers,

We have been finding it difficult this term to staff Breakfast Club and After School Club due to an increasing demand and often not knowing pupil numbers until a few days or the day before.

In order to ensure we always have the right number of trained staff available each day, we will be changing the booking system from January 2022.

**Breakfast Club and After School Club will need to be booked via ParentPay 5 days in advance.**

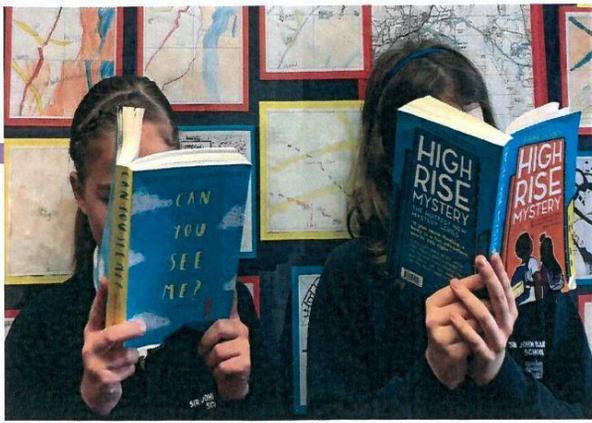
Children must only be dropped off at breakfast club if they are booked in. The administration team will ensure the Breakfast Club staff have a list of children booked in.

We are sorry if this causes any inconvenience, however we must put the safety of staff and children first.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Kind regards,

Helen Pearson



# Select us as your cause

## Sir John Barrow School

Your donations will help to:

- Extend the stock and subject range of library books and other educational resources to engage new and reluctant readers
- Enable pupils' reading and language skills to recover after the CV-19 lock-down and empower self-learning for better outcomes in the future
- Open-up a Story Café for pupils and local (sheltered housing) residents to enjoy reading together

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# Santa's Best Ever Christmas

**The show where every child gets  
a present from Santa!**

It's always the most wonderful time of year  
- join Santa & friends on this magical,  
musical, festive adventure to find out why  
this Christmas will be the best one yet!

**It was perfect, full of fun, singing and laughter  
what better way to start the festive season!"**

**19 - 24 December**

Tickets: Child £9.50    Adults £10.50  
[oldlaundrytheatre.co.uk](http://oldlaundrytheatre.co.uk)    015394 40872