

# SIR JOHN BARROW SCHOOL



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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are looking forward to welcoming your child back to school.

**However, in order to keep our children as safe as possible we have had to make some changes. It is VITALLY IMPORTANT that you read the following information and support us in implementing these necessary changes.**

### **Our children's and staff's health is very important.**

Please **DO NOT** send your child to school if they, or anyone in your household has experienced any COVID symptoms in the last 14 days. COVID symptoms are;

- a raised temperature
- a new continuous cough
- a loss or change in your sense of smell or taste.

If COVID cases are reported in school we will follow guidance. Classes or the whole school may need to close in this instance.

### **Minimising Contact Year Group Bubble Groups**

Your child will be in a Year Group Class Bubble

There will be staff allocated to the bubble to reduce contact as much as possible. However, there will be some cross over of staff from one Bubble to another where required. This is following DFE guidelines - to keep contact to a minimum whilst still being able to deliver a broad and ambitious curriculum.

Our older children will be encouraged to social distance where possible. However, we do not expect year group bubbles to be able to maintain social distancing. This is not possible if a broad and ambitious curriculum is to be delivered.

Some bubble groups will have to share toilet facilities. However, this will be kept to a minimum and toilets will be cleaned more frequently throughout the day.

<b>Year Group Bubbles</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>CLASSROOM</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Mrs Dobson</b>	<b>Nursery Classroom</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Mrs Branton/Mrs Sainsbury</b>	<b>Reception Classroom</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Miss Gardiner</b>	<b>Old Year 2 Classroom (opposite the Zone)</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Mr Connell</b>	<b>Old Year 1 Classroom</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Mr Maher</b>	<b>Old Year 4 Classroom</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Ms Davison</b>	<b>Old Year 3 Classroom</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Miss Sadler</b>	<b>Year 5 Classroom</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Mrs Fletcher</b>	<b>Year 6 Classroom</b>

<b>Start Dates</b>		
<b>Year 1,2 ,3,4,5 and 6</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2020</b>	
<b>Nursery Reception</b>	<b>Staggered start dates - Please see personal correspondence from the class teacher</b>	
<b>Social Distancing</b> <b>IMPORTANT Staggered Start/Finish times</b> In order to aid social distancing it is important all parent/carers adhere to the staggered start and finish times, using the correct gate, in order to minimise contact with other pupils.		
<b>Year Group Bubbles</b>	<b>Start &amp; Finish Time</b>	<b>Gate</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>8.45am &amp; 11.45am 12pm-3pm</b>	<b>Infant Playground Large Gate Infant Playground Large Gate</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>9am &amp; 3.15pm</b>	<b>Infant Playground Large Gate</b>
<b>Year 1 Year 2</b>	<b>8.45am &amp; 3pm 9am &amp; 3.15pm</b>	<b>Main Gate/EYFS Gate Main Gate/EYFS Gate</b>
<b>Year 3 Year 4</b>	<b>8.45am &amp; 3pm 9am &amp; 3.15pm</b>	<b>Football Area Gates Football Area Gates</b>
<b>Year 5 Year 6</b>	<b>8.45am &amp; 3pm 9am &amp; 3.15pm</b>	<b>New Large Playground Gate (Argyle St) New Large Playground Gate (Argyle St)</b>
<b>What to bring</b>		
<p><b>Your child should <u>ONLY</u> bring the following items.</b></p> <p><b>Please bring items in one named <u>wipeable carrier bag</u></b></p> <p><b>Another wipeable carrier can be used to store waterproof clothing if required</b></p> <p><b>Please do not send anything else into school</b> unless specifically requested by the teacher</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● a coat</li> <li>● waterproofs</li> <li>● a water bottle</li> <li>● a piece of fruit as a snack (optional)</li> <li>● a packed lunch (if required)</li> <li>● a book bag in the carrier bag</li> <li>● Optional, small packet of tissues &amp; hand sanitiser for them to keep on their table or in their tray (Tissues &amp; hand sanitiser are available in the classroom)</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>No PE kit,</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>No school bag,</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>No toys,</b></p> <p>No additional books or stationery. Unless requested by the teacher</p> <p style="text-align: center;">There will <b>not</b> be tuck shop at playtime.</p> <p>We will <b>not</b> change to play outside.</p>
<b>School Lunches</b>		
<p>School dinners will be booked in the normal way. Please book via Lunchshop online. We are expecting a hot meal option.</p> <p>Lunch will be provided in Year Group Bubble groups</p>		
<b>School Uniform - IMPORTANT CHANGES</b>		
<p>In order to stay safe and healthy, we are being encouraged to use the outdoor learning areas as much as possible. We are also asked to minimise items in school and contact.</p>		

**For this reason, we are making some changes to the school uniform for this school year.**

It is requested that children wear plain black trainers for school (preferable) or strong black shoes suitable for outdoor play and PE.

**A school PE kit is not required**

(to be reviewed in the Spring Term)

**Children will need a plain pair of jogging/PE trousers**

(dark grey, black or navy, in line with the uniform colours for trousers and skirts)

These can be worn daily as part of the school uniform if preferred. Otherwise your child should wear jogging/PE trousers on PE days. We do not recommend skirts or tight trousers in the Autumn term as these will prove uncomfortable during outdoor learning and play

**We will be out in ALL weathers.**

**Your child will require a waterproof jacket and easy to put on waterproof leggings**

(We can provide some waterproof clothing where required)

The waterproof coat may be worn as a general coat and waterproof leggings should be brought in a labelled carrier bag

We will review this throughout the year, in liaison with parent/carers

**School Uniform for the  
AUTUMN TERM is:**

- School t-shirt
  - School sweat shirt
  - School trousers or plain black/navy/grey PE trousers
  - Plain Black trainers (or shoes suitable for active wear outside)
  - Waterproof coat
  - Waterproof leggings that are easy to put on
- (some waterproof clothing is available in school. Please speak to the classteacher if required)

**Our children's and staff's health is very important.**

**Good Hygiene is vital to prevent the spread of Covid19**

**Uniform should be washed regularly.** This does not need to be daily but we ask that clothing is clean and washed more often than your normal practice

Let us know if you would like spare sweatshirts to help with the washing.

**We would recommend that children be showered or bathed each day where possible.**

**Please disinfect children's lunch boxes, spoons, containers and water bottles regularly.**

**Please reinforce school hygiene practice at home.** See posters attached.

Current advice is that children and staff should not wear face masks in school.

However, if you are travelling on public transport or walk through a densely populated area, the advice is to wear a face mask on your journey to school.

**There will be no access to the school office until further notice.**

Please ring or email school and we will get back to you.

**Please keep up to date with school information.**

Please check snippets and the school website regularly.

Breakfast Club and After School Club will be provided each day. However, it should only be used if no alternative arrangements can be found. Bookings must be in advance and where possible

regular. The only exception to regular bookings is where a parent/carer works unavoidable shift patterns.

This is to minimise the number of children mixing within a different group and to keep groups as consistent as possible.

An outline of our approach to social distancing is available on Snippets [here](#)

You may access a copy of our school risks assessments. Please contact [admin@sjbarrow.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sjbarrow.cumbria.sch.uk)

Our risk assessments are working documents and are continually being reviewed.

With best wishes,

Mrs Helen Pearson, Headteacher