

SIR JOHN BARROW SCHOOL

WEEKLY SNIPPETS



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Friday 26th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Christmas is fast approaching and we have now started rehearsing for our Christmas performances. Due to the numbers of children (and therefore numbers of parent/carers) and current school group bubbles we have made the following decisions regarding performances and audiences.

The nursery and reception children will have a Christmas sing a long outside, weather permitting. If the weather is bad, this event will be virtual and we will send a link. KS1 work as a Bubble. They will perform their version of the Nativity in the hall, however tickets will be limited. We will also attempt to video this event. KS2 are performing Scrooge this year. Due to larger numbers of children we will film this performance and it will be released for a period of time for your enjoyment at home.

We think carefully about all the decisions we make. We hope you will continue to understand and support us as we seek to provide rich experiences for your children, involve you in their learning and keep our community as safe as possible.

Over the last few weeks the senior team at SJB have been observing lessons. We have been delighted to see the high quality teaching and learning throughout the school. We hope you were able to attend parents afternoon last week and found the option of face-to-face or virtual useful. This proved quite a challenge to our teachers, moving to and from the technology. I would like to thank them for offering this flexibility. Next term we plan to have face-to-face parentals in the afternoon followed by virtual appointments another afternoon to help with the organisation. If you did not speak to your child's teacher please get in touch. Our communication with you about your child's learning is invaluable.

Wishing you all a good weekend
Kind regards,
Mrs Helen Pearson, Headteacher

WHAT'S ON AT SJB?

Mon 29th Nov	Yr5 Maths Club-3.15-4.15 Yr1 &Yr2 Multisports 3.15-4.15 Yr1- Phonics 3.15-4pm
Tue 30th Nov	Yr 3 & Yr5 Multisports 3.15- 4.15pm
Wed 1st Dec	Yr 3 & Yr 5 Athletics 8.am- 8.40am
Thurs 2nd Dec	Yr 4 & Yr 6 Athletics 3.15- 4.30pm
Fri 3rd Dec	Yr 4 & Yr 6 Multi Sports- 3.15- 4.15pm

Snippets

Christmas Dates for Diaries. More information to follow next week.

Thurs 9 Dec - PTA AGM, 3.15pm, School Hall

Fri 10 Dec - Christmas Jumper Day/School Christmas Meal (Please book your child's Christmas meal via Parentpay no later than Mon 6 Dec).

Mon 13 Dec, 2.30pm EYFS Christmas Singalong
KS2 Christmas performance released online

Tues 14 Dec, pm and evening, KS1 Christmas Performance (ticket only)

Weds 15 Dec - Christmas Party Day

Thurs 16 Dec - Last Day of term, finish at normal time.

TERM DATES: 2021/22



PTA Updates:

PTA Facebook Page:

If you are not already on the SJB PTA Facebook page, please find us and request to be a member. Parents, Carers, Grandparents, Siblings etc. can join, all you need to do is tell us the name of a teacher and which class they teach so we can easily approve your membership. We will use the page to let you know what's going on, and it's a good way for you to get in touch with us too.

The BIG PTA Raffle:

BIG CASH PRIZES! Link [here](#)



For every ticket purchased you will have 12 chances to win up to £5000. There will be two draws daily from 13th to 18th December.

Please share the link with family and friends, if we sell over 250 tickets there is a chance to win even more money for our PTA!

Quick Wins: Amazon Smile, Co-op Fund and Give as you Live

You can choose SJB PTA as your charity for [Amazon Smile](#), The [Coop Community Fund](#) and [Give as you Live](#) and a % of your shopping is automatically donated to the PTA. Please see our Facebook Page for more details.

Coming soon...PTA Virtual Christmas Fair 1st – 10th December

We can't have a face to face Christmas fair this year so we thought we would get into the Christmas spirit with an online fair. We will have competitions, a virtual stall and the BIG PTA Raffle. Watch this space for your invite to the Event on Facebook.

Coming soon... PTA AGM 9th December

Please join us at the AGM where we will elect our new committee.

FREE Tea and cakes available in the hall from 3.15pm. Meeting starts at 3.30pm and will be as quick as possible! Children can stay in their classrooms with their teachers if you let the teacher know in advance. Zoom details will be provided nearer the time if you can't make it in person. More info on our AGM Event on Facebook

Dickensian Festival- Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th November.

Children are welcome to come along and meet Santa in the Market Hall. This year Santa will have a number of Free presents to give away to children. Please note, a ticket is required to visit Santa-one ticket per child. Tickets are available from the Help Centre (Mad Hatters Tea Room on Market Street)

School Streets Initiative

Thank you for working with us to implement the School Streets Initiative. It is proving to be a real benefit to the children as they all file out of school safely at the end of the day. This is especially valuable for our younger boys and girls and the parent/carers waiting for them.

We have had very few drivers breaching the traffic directive. The police have informed me that the penalty for breaking the road closure is a £50 Fixed Penalty. Please note School Streets is only a pilot initiative. Please have your say as part of the follow-up consultation before any decision is made to make the initiative permanent. We will provide links at a later date.



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 015394 40872

NASAL FLU CATCH UP SESSIONS

The following clinics have been arranged for children who missed their school nasal flu immunisation who are school years Reception –year 11:



Kendal clinic –at Blackhall unit-Westmorland General hospital

APPOINTMENT ONLY

Wednesday 1st December 4pm -6.30pm

Wednesday 8th December 4pm-6.30pm

Wednesday 15th December 4pm -6.30pm

Barrow clinic –Barrow 102 Dolton Lane-Furness General hospital

APPOINTMENT ONLY

Tuesday 30th November 4pm-6.30

Thursday 9th December 4pm-6.30

Monday 13th December 4pm-6.30

If you wish to book an appointment for your child please call 01229 409604 please leave your contact details and we will call you back to book an appointment.

Please note you may be asked to wait in your car if the session is busy due to covid restrictions.