



SIR JOHN BARROW SCHOOL

WEEKLY SNIPPETS



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Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

This is our second term in implementing our new phonics and reading programme. We were really encouraged at the end of the Autumn term by the progress made. Thank you for all your work at home. It is very evident that support from home makes a huge difference. Please can we once again remind parents to ensure the children return books to school as this affects the learning of others.

Mrs Fletcher is busy on Thursdays after school preparing children for the Music Festival. This is a wonderful opportunity to develop performance skills. It is always a challenge resulting in a great sense of achievement at the end. Well done to all those who have got involved.

After consultation with staff and parent/carers, our Year 3/4 trip to Manchester went ahead this week. The children got so much out of the experience. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were excellent ambassadors for the school. Thank you to all those involved in necessary risk assessments and additional planning.

There are currently 2 Parent Governor Vacancies. If you are interested in being a school governor and would like to know more, please let your child's teacher know.

Please note, due to additional administration caused by necessary responses to Covid19, the administration team in school are particularly stretched. Could we ask parent/carers to correspond by email

admin@sjbarrow.cumbria.sch.uk wherever possible. **(For absences, please continue to report your child's absence via option 2 on the answer phone).** If we are unable to answer and the communication needs to be dealt with that day, please leave a message on the answer phone. Please check school correspondence, texts and emails and school snippets to keep up to date with school news. Many thanks for your understanding.

Kind regards,
Mrs Helen Pearson, Headteacher

WHAT'S ON AT SJB?

Mon 17th Jan	Yr1 & Yr2 Multisports 3.15-4.15pm Yr5 Maths 3.15- 4.15pm Yr6 Maths 3.15- 4.15pm
Tue 18th Jan	Yr4 Books for Breakfast Yr4 Dance Club 3.15-4.15pm Yr3 & Yr5 MultiSports 3.15-4.15pm
Wed 19th Jan	Yr3 & Yr5 Athletics 8.00-8.45am Yr6 Maths 3.15-4.15pm
Thur 20th Jan	Rugby- 8.00-8.40am Yr3 & Yr5 Music Festival 3.15- 4.15pm
Fri 21st Jan	Yr4 & Yr6 Multi Sports 3.15-4.15pm

Snippets

For the next few weeks, Music Festival will be for Y6 and Y4 one week and Y5 and Y3 the next. This is to reduce the number of children in the hall.

Note for diaries- Year 5 children will be having a taster day on Tuesday 8th March at UVHS- Letters to follow.

TERM DATES: 2021/22



IMPORTANT

Polite Reminder about Punctuality to School

Being punctual for school means **making sure your child is at school and ready to learn before the bell rings**. There are many ways to ensure your child is on time for school, from making sure their school bags are packed the night before to making sure they get up with plenty of time to eat and get ready for school. **Lost minutes means lost learning**. Please remember we begin our day at Sir John Barrow between 8.45am and 8.50am, if your child arrives after 8.50am then they are late. If the need arises our Education Welfare Officer will be in school running a Late Gate Initiative to further highlight this important fact.

Covid- school absence:

Important information-

If you report your child absent from school due to covid, please leave a message on the school absence line at the earliest opportunity with the following information:

- *The type of test performed, (LFT or PCR) the result and the date it was taken
- *Is your child displaying any symptoms?
- *Date when you expect your child to return to school
- *Is your child well enough to complete and access online work via Google Classrooms?

If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to contact school and we will do our best to help.

(Local/National Covid guidance was sent out in the snippets Tuesday 4th January.

Also available to view in the whole school letters section on our website)



IMPORTANT

Parking Safely

Dear Parent/Carers,

Please could we kindly ask that cars are not left stationary with engines running during drop off/collection periods. Not switching off engines is known to be a public health hazard and harmful to the environment. It is also illegal. We really appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

A driver idling his or her car engine when stationary is illegal under Section 2 of the Road Traffic Act 1988. In addition, rule 123 of the Highway Code states: "You **must not** leave a vehicle's engine running unnecessarily [this is to exclude in a traffic jam or at a traffic light] while that vehicle is stationary on a public road." Here is [the relevant legislation](#).

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.

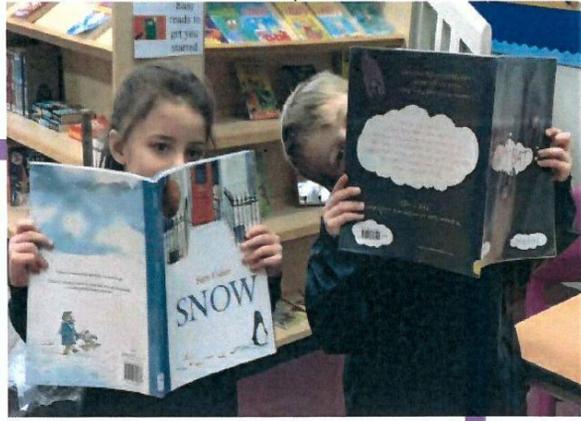
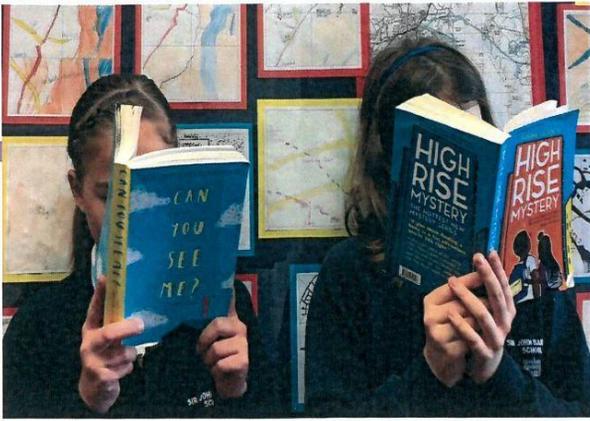
Children must only be dropped off at breakfast club if they are booked in. The administration team will ensure the Breakfast Club staff have a list of children booked in.

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



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Sir John Barrow School

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- 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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