



## Barlby Community Primary School

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25<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

### Full opening of the school - 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

I am very pleased to inform you that Barlby Community Primary School will open to ALL pupils on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The guidelines that the Government have issued, and we are following, can be found at : [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/963541/Schools\\_coronavirus\\_operational\\_guidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/963541/Schools_coronavirus_operational_guidance.pdf)

It has been a very difficult year for everyone, but we are told the end is in sight and we are all looking forward to welcoming the children back into school. My whole hearted appreciation goes to you all for the tremendous support you have shown the school over the past 12 months.

Whilst we are very excited to fully reopen again, we are also highly aware that the virus is still very much present, and we will be doing everything we can to help keep the Barlby Community safe.

From 8<sup>th</sup> March, the Government have instructed all pupils to return to school and that it is, "The parents' duty to secure their child's regular attendance at school".

Video lessons will cease on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March and home learning will not be provided going forward unless your child is required to self-isolate for reasons set out by the Government. Please return all home learning to school with your child on the 8<sup>th</sup> March.

From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March:

- Everyone on the school site must follow the one way system, please enter the site through the main car park gates and exit through the side gate onto Hull Road. The only exception to this is Nursery parents dropping off and collecting at lunchtime.
- Parents may be on site from 8.40am until 8.55am and from 3.00pm until 3.15pm. Gates will be locked at 8.55am and any child entering the school after this time will need to come through the main office and will be marked as late. Please do not attempt to chat with class teachers at the doors, if you need to speak to any member of staff please either email or telephone the school.
- Children need to enter and exit school through their classroom fire door, not the cloakroom doors
- All children must attend in full school uniform, including smart black shoes
- All children need a water bottle large enough to last them the full school day
- Please send everything your child need in one bag, as all belongings are kept in classrooms



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- All adults on site are required to wear a face covering, any child choosing to wear a face covering will be asked to remove it as they enter the classroom.

We have continued to keep clear procedures in place to try and keep the whole school community safe, and these will not be changing. Ventilation is key in helping stop the spread of the virus. As such, please send extra layers for your child on cold days as windows and doors will remain open. Everyone will be asked to wash their hands regularly and children will stay in their allocated class bubbles inside, and year group bubbles outside. Lunches will continue to be provided in classrooms and movement around school will be limited.

If your child or anyone in your household is displaying any COVID symptoms please do not send your child to school, if a child displays symptoms in school you will be asked to collect your child immediately.

#### **Other information**

- Parents' Evening will still go ahead as planned with telephone appointments on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. A letter allowing you to book a slot will be sent out over the next few weeks.
- Central Government have removed Statutory Assessment for Year 6 and Year 2 (SATS)
- Extra-curricular clubs will not run for the remainder of this term, at least
- No decision has been made yet about the residential trips, as soon as we have guidance we will let you know.

As the government reviews the guidelines, and begins to work their way through the various stages of bringing the whole country out of lockdown, we will review our practice in school and keep you informed.

As always, any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me directly on:  
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Yours Sincerely

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