



Barmby Moor CE Primary School

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Thursday 10th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope that you and your families have enjoyed a happy, healthy and enjoyable summer holiday and that you have been able to achieve a greater degree of normality in your lives than we have come to expect since the Covid-19 outbreak began.

It has been an absolute delight to welcome the children back to school. We have been thrilled with how enthusiastic, eager and confident the children have been on their return to school. Thank you for support in this.

We endeavour to ensure that school life at Barmby Moor is a fun, inspirational and engaging experience for all children and their families. As you will be aware, there are current restrictions in place, however we aim to ensure these do not interfere with what we do well – supporting our children to be the best they can be.

As a school, we are always available to discuss any matters in relation to your child and we will continue to work hard to communicate with you so that you know what your child has been doing at school and what they will be doing in the upcoming weeks and months. Our school website can be found at www.barmbymoorschool.com, this is regularly updated with information and the latest newsletters. Under the Information tab you will find a number of key pages to check regularly:

- **Term dates** – Please ensure you have downloaded these for the year.
- **Letters** – Letters are posted on this section for your reference.
- **Newsletters** – Fortnightly newsletters will be uploaded onto the school's website each Friday (starting 18th September). Please ensure you read these as they have important notices for the upcoming week.

Please find below updates/reminders for the upcoming term. Please also refer to the letter on our school website for full information on our reopening (updated 24th August 2020):

New Windows and Doors

You will have noticed that the school has had new windows and doors fitted over the summer break. These have been fully funded by the Local Authority and I am sure you will agree they have given the school a fresh, new look.

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New Staff

Over the summer break, we have appointed two new members of staff to the Barmby Moor team.

Miss Adams has joined the Breakfast and After School Club team and Mrs Dalleywater has joined our Cleaning team.

School Photographs

Individual school photographs will take place on **Thursday 17th September**.

Areas and equipment will be cleaned between each class group having their photographs taken and children will be at least two metres away from the photographer.

Start and Finish times

As you will be aware, we are currently, in line with Government guidance, operating staggered start and finish times for all children. Thank you for your continued support with these arrangements.

Following our evaluation of procedures on Tuesday, drop off arrangements will remain the same, however we have made some revisions to our collection arrangements, which came into effect yesterday. They are as follows:

- Finish times remain the same – please see table below.
- Siblings can continue to be collected at the same time as each other. Please be reminded to collect both siblings at the later finish time.
- Collect your child with the later finish time first and then proceed to follow the one-way system (yellow arrows) to collect any other siblings from their classroom door.
- Siblings will no longer be brought to you by a member of school staff.

We will keep these arrangements under review and will continue to update you. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

The start and finish times are:

Year Group	Arrival Time	Finish Time
Class 1 (Nursery/Reception)	9:00am	3:00pm
Class 2 (Year 1/2)	9:05am	3:15pm

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Class 3 (Year 3/4)	8:50am	3:25pm
Class 4 (Year 5)	8:55am	3:30pm
Class 5 (Year 6)	8:45am	3:20pm

We will update parents with any changes to start/finish times as and when Government guidance is updated.

Social Distancing

We ask that you continue to maintain social distancing when dropping off/collecting your child and that parents leave the school site as swiftly as possible. The children are not expected to social distance themselves within their zones/bubbles although desks (where appropriate) are forward facing. Routines in school have been adapted to minimise movement around the school, cloakrooms and corridors and there will be no whole school gatherings in the hall.

School Attendance

All children are expected to attend school unless they have an authorised reason for an absence or they are unwell. This means registers will be completed as normal and all non-attendance will be followed up. If your child is absent for any reason, then please contact the School Office.

Illness

If your child is ill then please **do not** send them to school, but contact the School Office, via phone/e-mail, to inform us. If your child, or a member of your household, has one or more of the COVID-19 symptoms your child must not attend school and you should inform school as soon as possible. The symptoms are:

- High temperature
- A new, persistent cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Whoever shows the symptoms will need to self-isolate for 10 days and members of the household for 14 days. COVID-19 testing is now available and to access this parents will either need to visit www.nhs.uk/coronavirus or telephone 111. Please inform school immediately of the test result, by telephone (between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm) or by e-mail outside of these hours (barmbymoorschool@eastriding.gov.uk). We will then advise you further at that point.

If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms within school time, we will contact you immediately and you will be required to collect your child and then follow the procedure above.

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Uniform and PE Kit

Normal school uniform should be worn by all children. On PE days, please send your child to school wearing their outdoor PE kit (blue/black jogging bottoms or leggings; a royal blue or white t-shirt; blue/black sports hoody/top and trainers). This will help avoid the storing and changing of clothes.

Children also require a pair of indoor shoes in school.

Please ensure that all uniform/PE kit is labelled with your child's name.

PE days are as follows:

Class 1 (FS1/FS2) – Tuesday and Friday

Class 2 (Year 1/2) – Wednesday and Friday

Class 3 (Year 3/4) – Monday and Wednesday

Class 4 (Year 5) – Monday and Friday

Class 5 (Year 6) – Monday and Friday

Breakfast Club and After School Club

Both Breakfast Club and After School Club have now resumed. Details are as follows:

Breakfast Club is available from 7:45am until 9:00am.

From 7:45am (including breakfast) £4.00

From 8:20am (excluding breakfast) £2.00

After School Club is available from 3:30pm until 6:00pm.

3:30pm – 4:00pm £2.00

3:30pm – 4:30pm £4.00

3:30pm – 5:00pm £5.00

3:30pm – 6:00pm £10.00

Due to the current restrictions, children attending either of the above clubs will be seated with other children in their class group.

We appreciate children being booked into the clubs in advance. This can be done by telephone or e-mail.

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When dropping off or collecting children from the Breakfast Club or After School Club, please ring the Breakfast Club and After School Club doorbell, which can be found on the School Office door.

Hygiene Measures

In line with Government guidance, children will be asked to wash/sanitise their hands frequently throughout the school day, including on arrival in the morning. Classroom surfaces and touch points will also be wiped throughout the school day.

Equipment

Children may bring a named water bottle every day and should bring their reading book/book bag as normal. School will provide stationery for each child. Children require a pair indoor shoes to change into.

Any unnecessary items should be left at home – this includes: pencil cases and any toys.

The School Office

Our School Office will remain closed throughout the first half-term, however the staff will be available during the school day via phone/e-mail and will be happy to assist with any queries.

If you have any letters or forms that need to be dropped off, then these can be posted in the wall-mounted post box to the right of the School Office door.

Walking/Cycling Home

Children in Class 4 (Year 5) and Class 5 (Year 6) may walk/cycle to school on their own, however we request that parents e-mail school (barmbymoorschool.primary@eastriding.gov.uk) confirming that they give their child permission to do so.

Children will need to arrive at their designated arrival time and wait in front of the school bike shed.

Catching Up

It is a key priority that all children settle back into the routines of school life for the first few days. There will also be a period of information gathering to assess where gaps in knowledge lie and then we can make plans to address these through whole class teaching and focused interventions. Our school curriculum will remain broad and balanced.

Should there be another lock-down or the necessity for home-learning for individuals or groups then our remote learning provision will be launched. Details of this will be provided as and when needed. If you would be unable to access online learning for your child in this eventuality, then please make this known by contacting the School Office so that alternative plans can be made ready.

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We are looking forward to working with you over the coming year. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Take care,

Mr J Baxter
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