



BARLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Reminders

We are very much looking forward to welcoming the children back to school tomorrow morning. Our soft start drop-off begins at 8:45 and there will be members of staff on each playground to help direct children to the correct classrooms. Before the term begins, we have a few reminders for you.

The School Day

Children from Years 1 to 6 will start at 8:55 and finish at 3:30. We will continue our 'soft start' from 8:45 each morning where classrooms will be open and children can enter the building.

Morning Drop Off

We will no longer operate a one-way system for parents when dropping off and picking up. Face coverings will not be required.

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1: Parents can enter and exit the school via Eccleston Crescent and Barley Lane Nursery gates to drop children to the school doors. If these families have children in Key Stage 2, they can also use these entrances and cross into the junior playground via the reception footpath.

Key Stage 2: Parents will not be allowed in the junior playground. There will be a staff member on the Huxley Drive and Barley Lane Junior playground gates to welcome Key Stage 2 children into school. Children can also enter the playground via the reception footpath.

Afternoon Pick Up

Parents can enter the school grounds via any of the four external gates and move freely between both playgrounds. Collection points are as follows:

- Reception and Nursery children will be dismissed from their classroom doors
- Year 1 children and Class 2B & 2A will be dismissed from the infant playground
- Years 3-6 and Class 2W & 2S will be dismissed from the junior playground

Uniform and PE kits

Please note that ***our new uniform policy must be adhered to from tomorrow***. Parents will be contacted when the incorrect uniform is being worn. We no longer permit yellow polo-necks or black trousers to be worn and PE kits with sports logos and branding are not allowed. School shoes and PE trainers must be black with no motifs or white soles. More details can be found on our [school website](#). Children are expected to wear their PE kit to school on both of their PE days each week.

Medical Information

If your child's medical situation has changed, they have new medication, or updated medication is required, please liaise with Mr Mercer via the main school office.

Belongings

All children will be provided with a stationery wallet including a pen, pencil, ruler and eraser. We ask that the children supply their own colouring pencil set that can be added to this for their own use. Personal pencil cases **are not permitted**.

Lunch and Playtimes

Snacks: We will only permit a **piece of fruit or cereal bar** for snack during playtime.

Lunch: Please ensure that packed lunches contain healthy food. Cold take-away food and sweets are not permitted.

Breakfast and After-School Clubs

Our breakfast and after-school club will commence tomorrow. Further details and booking link can be found [here](#). Drop-off and collection from the main school office via Huxley Drive.

Extra-Curricular Activities

We hope to resume after-school sports clubs in the coming weeks. More will follow via our newsletter in the coming weeks.

School Office

Please phone the school office with queries where possible, instead of visiting the office in person. We would like to minimise visitors where possible in order to protect the community.

Face Coverings

Face coverings are no longer necessary on the school premises.

Further information on procedures for those experiencing symptoms and being deemed close contacts is being sent separately. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions. We look forward to welcoming the children back in the morning.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Henry
Headteacher