



# HARROWBARROW SCHOOL

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## Weekly Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been so lovely to see many more children returning to school today and hopefully tomorrow too. We really look forward to seeing further attendees next week. At this stage, our Y1- Y3 bubbles are now full and we are unable to accept further applications for places. There is still some spare capacity in the Y4-Y6 bubbles, but please contact me first if you have now decided that you would like to send your child back to school.

The lack of normal routine has made it hard for all of us to keep track of dates and days of the week, so a reminder that the last day of the summer term is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

### Staffing update

From now until the end of term the teaching of the Y1-Y3 bubble will be shared between Emma Kalarus and myself. Emma will teach three days a week and I will teach one.

### Y6 leavers

There is no doubt that all children have missed out during the last few months. However, of all the year groups, perhaps it is our Y6 pupils who have missed out the most as they couldn't go on their French residential or participate in all the things which make the end of their primary education so special. Melissa Pinfield has arranged a socially distanced picnic for Y6 pupils on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, so that they can all to come together one last time and we can do a proper farewell. If circumstances allow, I would like to find an opportunity to invite these pupils back next year for an event.

### Transition

We are aware that our pupils are now missing out on all of the usual transition preparation which helps them move between classes. However, all children will need a level of support with transitioning back into school in September; some children will not have been in school for almost 6 months by then. We are starting to plan what this might look like by ensuring it is our top priority for at least the first few weeks of term. The first day of the autumn term for pupils will be Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

### School meals

From today, free packed lunches are available to all infants attending school. You are of course still welcome to send your child with their own packed lunch if that is preferred. However, all children will need a water bottle. If you want to book a packed lunch, please contact Elaine Moyle in the school office; she can also provide menus on request.



Useful email contacts

Free School Meal vouchers: [emoyle@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:emoyle@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk)

Safeguarding, Child Protection & school provision requests: [head@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk)

Pastoral support: [abinicolle@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:abinicolle@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk)

I hope life is becoming a little easier for everyone as lockdown restrictions are eased. It feels very confusing at the moment, knowing what we are or aren't allowed to do and it is understandable that people are feeling fatigued by the whole situation. If anyone of our families is really struggling I would urge them to contact Abi Nicolle or myself as we will continue to provide what support we can or to contact external professionals on your behalf.

Please continue to take good care of yourselves and your loved ones.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Hunt