

HARROWBARROW SCHOOL

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Weekly Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we near the end of term, I have a few items to share this week.

Reports

From tomorrow, we will send out end of year reports for Population A pupils currently attending school. Next week, Population B pupils attending school will receive their reports. All other reports will be posted. All reports reflect the limited school based education children have received this year.

Full re-opening guidance for parents and carers

The government has updated guidance for parents and carers on schools re-opening: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=13%20July%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Full re-opening at Harrowbarrow

By the end this week I hope to share details of our provision for September. Apologies for the delay but we are working hard to ensure our plans reduce the risk of virus transmission and protect all stakeholders.

Pastoral support for families

As a result of Coronavirus, I am sure we have all been affected in some way over the last few months. Whether this is through loss, financial hardship, socially or emotionally, it will have taken a toll and will continue to do so for some time. The See, Hear, Respond Partnership is a new service funded by the Department for Education and run by the Barnardo's charity. The aim of the See, Hear, Respond Partnership is to quickly identify and support children, young people and families who are struggling to cope with the impacts of coronavirus. Professionals can refer families and young people but parents/carers and children can also refer themselves. For more information or to do this please click on the following link: https://www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond









Read Write Inc

It feels like a long time since our Ofsted inspection but we have been planning how to address their comments, particularly on the need to implement a consistent systematic synthetic phonic scheme across the school. Some staff have already participated in online training for the Read Write Inc scheme, which we will be adopting from September. Over the course of next year we will be training all staff, through a number of sessions, on how to fully implement Read Write Inc at Harrowbarrow. We will, in due course, find ways to share what this means for your children's learning but, one early innovation, will be a change to the home/school reading books that infant children bring home. By the end of this week, we will have taken delivery of hundreds of new books which will directly relate to the phonics the children have learnt that day at school. I look forward to sharing more details in September but thought it was worth letting you know that, despite the current situation, we are not standing still and will continue to seek improvements to the quality of provision for your children.

Music updates

Rachel Lane has posted two new BBC music opportunities for the children to join in with over the summer holiday. These can be found at the bottom of the music page on the school website:

http://www.harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk/our-school/music/

Pastoral support for pupils

Although there have been fewer in recent weeks due to other commitments, we hope the children have enjoyed our video efforts this term. The main aim has always been to keep children connected to school and their peers throughout this long period of separation. I will be posting a final offering from me next week. In the meantime, Melissa Pinfield has posted three video quizzes on the Class 4 page for children to have a go at; answers to be posted next week.

If you need to contact me, for whatever reason, please use the email address below.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Hunt.

Useful email contacts

Free School Meal vouchers and office queries: emoyle@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk
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