



Barlby Bridge CP School

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COVID-19 Updates

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation. Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

Temporary suspension of confirmatory PCR tests in education and childcare settings

On Tuesday we updated you on the temporary pause of confirmatory PCR tests. As a reminder, you are only asked to take a follow up PCR test after a positive LFD test if you:

- wish to claim the Test and Trace Support Payment
- have been advised to take a PCR test because they are in a clinically vulnerable group
- have been advised to do so as part of a research or surveillance programme
- have received a positive day 2 LFD after arriving into the UK

If anyone has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, they are strongly advised to take a PCR test, not an LFD test. If someone with symptoms has already taken an LFD test for any reason and the result is positive, they do not need to take a follow-up PCR

Jigsaw PSHE



The children and staff are excited to be starting a new PSHE programme in school this week called Jigsaw. Jigsaw is a whole-school mindful approach to all things relating to Personal, Social, Health and Economic education, and embodies a positive philosophy and creative teaching and learning activities to nurture children's development as compassionate and well-rounded human beings, as well as building their capacity to learn.

Over the coming weeks, we will be sending some more information about the scheme.



The first theme is 'Being Me in My World'. This covers a range of topics, including a sense of belonging, welcoming others and being part of a school community, a wider community, and a global community. It also looks at children's rights and responsibilities, working and socialising with others and pupil voice.



Smartwatches

Please can all parents / carers be aware that children must not wear Smartwatches to School.

We thank you for your understanding in this matter, in our commitment to ensuring compliance with the Mobile Phone / e-safety policy, including all devices. This is because watches can be used to take photographs and, in certain cases, access the Internet.

Parking

Please can we remind all parents / carers that the Police are now involved in monitoring parking offences on Thomas Street during drop-off / pick-up times.

Please can we reiterate the importance of keeping our children safe, keeping pavements clear for pedestrians, wheelchair users and pushchairs, as well as respecting our neighbours on Thomas Street.

If you witness any parking offences or have any concerns, please speak to the Office. North Yorkshire Policing Team have asked for car number plates to be reported, if they themselves are not present to issue parking tickets.

As previously requested by NY Police: please do not drive down Thomas Street; please do not double park / obstruct pavements / obstruct residencies / park on yellow zigzag lines. Instead, cars can be parked at the Olympia hotel carpark

Important Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 1 February	Dog's Trust visiting School (Please be aware that no dogs will be brought into School)
Thursday 17 February	School closes for Half Term
Friday 18 February	Staff training day
Monday 28 February	School opens
Friday 8 April	School closes for Easter
Monday 25 April	Staff training day
Tuesday 26 April	School opens



Applying for School places

North Yorkshire County Council advertise their closing date for on time applications for Primary school places, as Saturday 15 January 2022.

Applications are made online and more information can be found at:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions>



Twitter

A letter has been sent home today to let you know about the launch of Barlby Bridge Community Primary School's new Twitter page.

In order for us to get our page up and running and begin to use it as a quick and engaging means of sharing news and information, please help us by completing the permission slip and returning to School on Monday.



Unfolding Origins Art Project

Over the course of last term, a group of children in Year 6 worked with the textile artist Hayley Mills-Styles to create a banner celebrating the 30th anniversary of Barlby toll bridge being toll free. This collaboration was organised as part of the Unfolding Origins project, that used North Yorkshire County Council archives to inspire artists and children in 3 different regions of the county. Ourselves and Brawic Parade school, represented the Selby region in weekly workshops. Alongside the design and production of the banner artwork, children conducted historical research, wrote news articles, completed drawings and designs and used needle work and textile skills.

The completed pieces will now be exhibited in different locations across the county. The Unfolding Origins exhibition for this region will be at Selby Library and will be in place from Friday 18th February to Wednesday 30th March. We are hoping to be able to take the children for an artist's preview before it is opened to the public. The children enjoyed the experience greatly and we would like to thank Hayley for her work with them. We are very proud to be involved with this project and the end result!

If you are able, please visit the exhibition and see the finished piece for yourselves.



Robinwood

It's been a very exciting week for some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils.

They set off to Robinwood early on Monday morning and had a fantastic 3 days there, completing many fun activities both indoors and outside.

The children loved flying through the air on the *Giant Swing* and *zip wire*. They faced some of the most challenging activities, such as the *Crate Tower*, *Trapeze* and the famous *Piranha Pool* with excellent teamwork and resilience.

The staff at Robinwood were very impressed with our children, praising them for being, "Absolutely fantastic!".

The Barlby Bridge staff were extremely proud of the children, who always demonstrated their understanding of our school values and pushed themselves to take on every challenge!

A great time was had by all!

