



# Barden Primary School

Only my best is good enough for me

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that Barden Primary School will be **closed** to pupils and staff on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**, while important safety measures are put in place around our school building. Contractors will be on-site to erect fencing around certain areas of Burnley Campus as a precautionary step.

This decision has been made to ensure the safety of all pupils and staff. The fencing will allow us to carry out a thorough safety assessment of the site while the work is underway. Once the fencing is in place, we will review our safety plans, including our entrances, exits, and evacuation procedures, to ensure that everything remains safe for everyone.

Please note that the school will be closed for the day on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** and the site will not be accessible. We plan to reopen as usual as soon as the works are completed. From the information we have been given by Lancashire County Council, the scheduled works are expected to take between 1-3 days, but I will keep you informed if there are any changes to this plan. We have been given assurances by Lancashire County Council that the works will be carried out as quickly as possible.

This decision has been made following advice and safety procedures that are beyond the school's control. While we understand that school closures can be disruptive, please be assured that these steps are being taken in the best interest of the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils, staff and parents. We are working with the Local Authority to resolve the situation as quickly as possible and appreciate your understanding during this time.

Thank you for your ongoing support.  
Yours sincerely,

Mrs Holgate  
Headteacher  
Barden Primary School

#### **Statement from LCC:**

**The county council has undertaken surveys at a number of Lancashire schools constructed under the Government's Building Schools for the Future Programme. In the course of carrying out their inspections, surveyors have identified some areas requiring further investigation.**

**Fencing is being erected until a thorough inspection has been completed and any necessary repairs have been carried out.**

**The county council is doing everything possible to ensure this work is completed quickly and with minimal disruption to the schools. Health and safety is the priority.**