



Barden Primary School

Only my best is good enough for me

4th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your patience and understanding during the two days of unexpected and unavoidable school closure this week.

Last week, our school was made aware that some fencing would need to be erected on the school site. Lancashire County Council's surveyors have identified some issues in a limited sample of walls in a limited sample of local schools. Lancashire County Council has, therefore, erected fencing around the outside of buildings at Barden Primary School and at a number of other local schools, whilst further investigation takes place.

The local authority has carried this work out as a precautionary measure. Until further investigatory works have been undertaken, Lancashire County Council do not know whether Barden Primary School has been affected.

The schools on Burnley Campus made the decision to remain closed whilst the fencing was being installed and whilst we undertook the necessary risk assessments. This was done to ensure that the campus can operate safely and effectively whilst the fencing is in place.

We have been reassured by the local authority that the school site is safe and, as such, we will be able to welcome back all children on Thursday 5th December 2024 at 8.35am.

To ensure all pupils remain safe on site, we will need to make some small changes to some of the ways in which we work. We will hold an assembly tomorrow to explain these changes to our pupils. To help re-enforce our safety messages to children, we ask that you speak with your child about the importance of keeping away from the fencing and supports as these are out of bounds for everyone. We will, of course, be going through these messages in our assembly.

Once again, we would like to thank you for your understanding and support throughout this unforeseen situation. We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Kind regards,

Mrs C Holgate

Headteacher
Barden Primary School