



# Barlby Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

**Bubble Closures: Nursery, Reception and Year 1 until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November.**

Firstly, thank you for your understanding this morning with regards to the one day school closure. This was due to a fault with our alarm system and an engineer was unable to solve the problem until late morning. The alarms sounded continuously and it would not have been possible to operate as a school.

In addition to the technical problems we received news that a child in Year 1 has tested positive for covid. Later in the morning we received news that a Reception child has tested positive. As a result, I sought advice from the DfE and the local authority. Our Local Public Health officials have been informed.

Unfortunately, it is necessary to close our Early Years and Year 1 bubbles until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November. A number of staff are also required to self isolate but learning will be provided remotely. Expect to hear from your child's class teacher on google classroom or via e-mail.

Please note that siblings of Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children should still attend school as normal, unless you are told to self-isolate by the NHS Test and Trace team; or in the event that your child or anyone in your households develops symptoms. Please contact the school, as soon as possible, to inform us.

I have been advised that children/staff should not seek to be tested unless they have symptoms. I appreciate how difficult this is for everyone and especially recognise the challenge to working parents & carers. I know you will understand that as a school we are duty bound to follow all the advice we are offered in this period of national lockdown.

As always, thank you for your messages of support and encouragement.

Yours sincerely,



Anthony Mannix

Headteacher