



## Headteacher Update – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

**Dear Parents, Carers, Students, Family and Friends of Baines School,**

Welcome to the new academic year – 2021/22. Let us hope that we are able to maintain more of a 'normal' year this year. I have no doubt that the pandemic will continue to challenge all of us and I hope we can work together to support each other and our young people. To say this is only the start of week two, this update is full of information for everyone, so please take time to read it.

The students have made a tremendous start to the new term, it is wonderful having them all back again and meeting our new year 7 students.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the return to school Covid testing, yet again I am indebted to the amazing volunteers who ran the testing centre (most are parents/carers). They ran the centre so efficiently and helped our students feel at ease. We have now completed the on-site testing and students and staff now revert back to the twice-weekly lateral flow tests at home (the government are reviewing this at the end of September). I attended an online update with the Director of Public Health for Lancashire last week. We have all the procedures in place but cases in some schools are rising. I hope we do not have to implement any of the contingency framework but will inform you if there are any changes. Please do remember that any staff or student are welcome to continue wearing face masks and we are continuing to maintain hand hygiene routines, ventilation and 'Catch it, Kill it, Bin it' principles.

We already have a small number of our community who are affected by Covid, so please be patient with regards to supply teaching and the setting of online work as we balance school and home-based learning. We really will do our best to support everyone.

I am very excited to welcome our new staff this year, there are a few existing staff who have changed their roles. I am sure you will all give our new staff a warm welcome to our Baines community.

### **New Staff and Staff in New Roles 21/22**

Mr Shillitoe extends his role as he takes the lead for induction of our new staff, early career teachers and trainee teachers. He also has the exciting role of developing our Excellence Academy and we will share information about this later in the year.

Mr Cropper continues to be our Covid Response Leader and I know we are all grateful for his guidance and leadership with regards to the pandemic.

Mrs Russell is our new Head of Year 7, she will support and guide our youngest students to ensure they are the 'best version of themselves' in their academic and personal development.

Mrs Moxham is our new Duke of Edinburgh Award Co-ordinator and she is ready for the very first expedition next weekend.

Mr Fisher is our army mentor and will continue to work in the pastoral team and also work in learning support

**Welcome to our new staff:**

Mr Houghton	Head of Mathematics
Mr Duigenan	Teacher of Mathematics
Miss Dunstan	Teacher of English & Learning Support
Ms Kellet	Teacher of Science
Mr Broadley	Teacher of Science
Mr East	Teacher of History
Mrs Holmes	Literacy & Numeracy Specialist Teacher
Mr Wade	Teacher of Religious Education
Mr Tarry	Teacher of Music

**Support Staff**

Ms Kinder	Careers Officer
Ms Simmons	Librarian
Ms Spencer	Learning Support Assistant
Ms Masters	Assistant Catering Manager

**Sad news**

**Dianne Champion** was an art teacher and Head of Year some years ago (possibly 20 years). She passed away on Friday 20th August in hospital in Spain. She had been ill for many years but was not in pain when she died.

**John Huyton** also passed away recently on 21st August after losing his battle with cancer. He worked as a mentor within the Learning Support Department.

I am sure you will hold these staff (and their families) in your thoughts and prayers.

**Uniform**

Thank you for your patience while suppliers try to get our uniform to the shops and tracksuits delivered to school. I know there was a slight confusion last week with regards to the wearing of tracksuits (and what to do if they have not arrived) on PE days. The PE staff have clarified the situation during their first PE lessons. I have been very impressed with the way students have returned and are wearing their uniform smartly. I know Progress Leaders have worked hard to communicate any uniform infringements with parents/carers so that our high standards are maintained. Please remember that school skirts should be knee length (if not, then students should wear thick black tights), the blazer is a compulsory part of the uniform and should be worn (and not just in a bag) and jewellery should not be worn (apart from a watch and small earrings worn in the lobe of the ear).

If you still have any queries about the uniform, please contact your child's Progress Tutor in the first instance.

**Breakfast and Food**

I am really pleased that we are able to serve breakfast again in the refectory from 8.15am. Mr Noon is working hard to extend the food on offer, interestingly the students seem to prefer the 'snack fast food' rather than the delicious main meals with vegetables. I wouldn't want parents/carers to think we aren't offering such food, we are, but very few students are eating things like cottage pie, cheese and onion pie, sausage and mash. We will work with the students this year to see how we can continue to develop our menus.

A reminder that those students who have free school meals (FSM), this has to be used at lunchtime and is not allowed to be used at breaktime because it is only snack food (such as toast, pancakes, hash

browns etc.) served at this time. The FSM is aimed at providing a nutritious meal with access to fruit, vegetables and the 'meal deal' which is served at lunchtime.

If you are struggling with your ParentPay account, please do contact the finance office and they will support you. Thank you in advance for keeping your account in credit this year.

### **Car parking and respecting our neighbours**

We are always mindful of safeguarding our students and the start and end of the school day can be tricky with regards to cars on the school grounds and in the neighbouring streets. Please remember that the car park near reception should only be used for collecting students with either a medical condition or those with special educational needs (this is communicated through Mrs Newhouse and Mrs Imisson in Learning Support) and also for taxis who collect and drop off students. We have a large car park at the lower end of our site where parents/carers can collect and drop off students. At the end of the day, we ask that you arrive by 2.40pm and remain in the car park until 3.00pm as this means that the majority of our children have left the site and there is no risk of hurting a child.

The residents in the neighbouring streets have also requested that some parents are more considerate when dropping off and collecting students as they often block drives, roads and some of our neighbours are elderly.

Thank you for your support in helping to keep a calm and happy community.

### **Vacancies at Baines School**

We are currently advertising for three apprentices within school. These are Administrative Assistant (to work in the School Office), Catering Assistant & Learning Support Assistant.

The closing date for applications is Tuesday 14th September.

To apply, please use the links below.

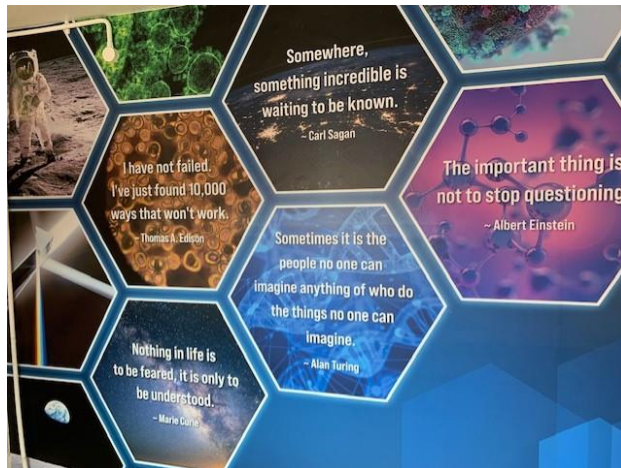
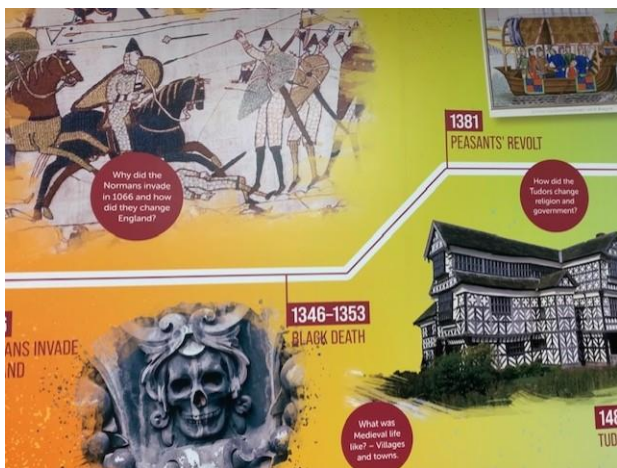
[Apprentice Administrative Assistant for Baines High School \(136204\) \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](#)

[Apprentice Catering Assistant for Baines High School \(136208\) \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](#)

[Apprentice Learning Support Assistant for Baines High School \(136218\) \(getmyfirstjob.co.uk\)](#)

Please share this information if you know of anybody who may be interested in this opportunity.

Finally, from me, I am sure that our children will have told you about the updates we have had in school over the summer holidays. We have improved the drainage in the field which will hopefully help PE lessons in the winter, improved some areas of the roof and installed many new windows in the main block. We have improved teaching and learning resources to hopefully inspire our students to love their learning. The students are commenting on our amazing wall wraps in some corridors and how they have brightened up our school, as well as being highly educational. Here are just a few photographs. I am really pleased that since I started, over £1 million pounds has been invested in improving our school facilities and I intend on continuing to develop our school facilities.



## FUN DAY – Summer 2021

At the end of last term our annual Fun Day took place for Year 10 and Year 8 on Wednesday 14th July, and for Year 7 and Year 9 on Thursday 15th July. The format was slightly different due to Covid restrictions, but it was a lovely way to end a very disrupted year for PE and school sport, and the students had a great day.

Congratulations go to the following forms who won the Football and Benchball competitions, especially LBO who won both the Football and Benchball in Year 8.

### Football

Year 7 GWS  
Year 8 LBO  
Year 9 CCO  
Year 10 DHA

### Benchball

Year 7 NBL  
Year 8 LBO  
Year 9 MHA  
Year 10 KST





Here are some photographs that summarise both the "fun" and "competitive" elements over the two days. Owyn wearing his form colour of green via his Christmas elf shorts, and the wonderful actions of some lovely students supporting and encouraging others in their teams.



### Literacy Update - Mrs Streetly

Our new Year 7 Cohort have been enjoying a 'menu' of different genres to help them to decide their own reading path. They have been encouraged to look at different styles that they may not have read before and to try something new.

On Monday 13th September it is Roald Dahl Day - year 7 and 8 may enjoy reading some of his classic children's books but for our older readers they may like exploring some of his adult short stories such as Tales of the Unexpected which prove that Roald Dahl isn't just for children. These stories are dark and unusual and incredibly enjoyable.

We also welcome our new librarian, Ms Simmons, to run our ILC - she is an experienced school librarian and is on hand to give advice or help with book choices. Watch this space for future events that Ms Simmons will be running.

### SUMMER SCHOOL – SUCCESS - 2021

Baines School successfully ran a new and enriching summer school programme during the first two weeks of the summer holidays.

All our new Year 7 students were invited to attend a full week, which included very mathematics and English lessons in the mornings in order to help close any learning gaps during the Covid pandemic. Following the morning programme all students chose from our PE, cooking and art activities which ran from 11am up until 3pm.

The students had a terrific time and our new year 7 will benefit from this enriching experience as it will help to ensure a smooth transition from primary school into our Baines community.

**‘A big thank you to the Baines summer school for helping to ensure my child has the confidence, friendships and aspirations required for their September start’ - Parent of a new Y7 student.**

The summer school also provided an opportunity in week 1 for some of our year 7 and 8 students who enjoyed a week of full sunshine as well as either a bespoke mathematics or English programme followed once again by the wider enrichment activities from 11am.

Our Higher Attaining Year 10 mathematics cohort also attended four lecture style mornings delivered by Mr Roache who is an outstanding former Head of Mathematics at one of our Sixth Form partners. The programme was put in place in order to challenge and stretch them all academically. This will help set a strong platform on which to grow upon for their forthcoming Year 11 year and for their future careers.



**Summer School Art**



**Summer School Cooking**

## **GCSEPod**



GCSEPod is a fantastic tool to support young people, particularly in Years 10 and 11 in preparing for examinations, recapping material previously taught, filling gaps in knowledge and generally topping up our memory! Over the next two weeks, Year 10 and 11 will receive assemblies from Mr Mycock when he will demonstrate how to use the resources and show the impact that GCSEPod has had on our young people in the past.



## **Consultation Evenings**

Over the last twelve months we have used an online package to conduct our Consultation Evenings. We have seen many benefits of this method of communication including convenience for parents/carers, better time keeping for appointments, improved work-life balance for staff and even a reduction in our carbon footprint! We have collected the views of the staff about the system and will be emailing a link to parents/carers who used the system last year for their views about improving Consultation Evenings for everyone.



At Baines we have worked with Elevate Education for a number of years to provide student-focused workshops for our Year 11 students to help them to address the challenges of Year 11 and prepare for exams. Over the last 12 months, Elevate have expanded their offer to schools and, as such, all of our parents/carers are eligible to access their online Parent Support Webinars. These have been really well received by those that have previously engaged and they give lots of practical tips to support secondary age young people. **The first webinar of this year is on Tuesday 21st September and is entitled "How to motivate your child". Please use the link below to book a place and we hope that you all find the programme useful!**

<https://go.elevateeducation.com/ukparentsupportprogram>

### [Elevate Parent Support Program](https://go.elevateeducation.com/ukparentsupportprogram)

Sign up to get free support for your parents - all year round.  
[go.elevateeducation.com](https://go.elevateeducation.com)

### Open Evening

Choosing the right secondary school is such an important decision for every family and we hope that as many families as possible will be able to join us between 6.30pm-9.00pm on Monday 20th September.

This year's Open Evening will be a little different as we keep in mind Covid safety but our Open Evening will allow Year 6 students and their families to get a feel for our school and have the opportunity to speak with a range of our students and staff.

This year we are asking families to book a family ticket on EventBrite for a guided tour of our school, led by a student guide. The link for tickets is on the flyer and there is a QR code that you can scan that will direct you to EventBrite.

There will not be a talk in the hall as we consider Covid safety but Mrs Chapman will post a video on our school website and will look forward to meeting people on the night.

For families with children in Year 5, we will provide opportunities for you and your child(ren) to visit our school later in the academic year.

Parking is available on site in the school car parks.

We ask families to consider keeping numbers in their group to a minimum.

If you have friends or contacts with families who you know have children in year 6, please share this information about our Open Evening. We look forward to welcoming them to our school.

### Training to Teach @ Baines School

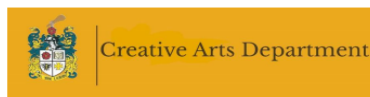
Once again, we are thrilled to be working with Fylde Coast SCITT and Ripley SCITT this academic year. This week we welcome new teachers on their journey through the training year and into the early careers phase. Baines is proud to work with, mentor and support trainee teachers and we look forward to working with them over this academic year.



[ripleyitt.co.uk](https://ripleyitt.co.uk)  
Your route into Teacher Training

## Music- Mr Shillitoe

1. **Instrumental/Vocal Lessons @ Baines School**
2. If your son/daughter wishes to resume/start instrumental/vocal lessons at Baines School, please contact Mr Shillitoe for more information ([rsh@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:rsh@baines.lancs.sch.uk)). We offer a programme of private 1-1 lessons on piano, keyboard, guitar, ukulele, strings, woodwind, drums and vocals. If this is of interest, Mr Shillitoe can provide more information with regards to cost and payment. The deadline for submitting your son's/daughter's name for lessons is Monday 20th September.



### Music Extra Curricular Ensembles 2021-2022

Day	What?	Where & When?	Teacher	What do we do?
Monday	School of Rock	M Block 3pm – 4pm	Mr Shillitoe	This club is for all students (Y7-11) wishing to join/start/learn to play in a band – all experiences welcome!
Tuesday	School Choir	M Block 3pm – 4pm	Mrs James	A singing group for all students (Y7-11) – all experiences welcome!
Thursday	KS4 Music Study Group	M12	Mrs James	A study group for KS4 Music students – composition, theory and performance.
Thursday	Unplugged	M11	Mr Shillitoe	An acoustic group for guitar and ukulele players – all students welcome (Y7-11).
Friday	School Band	M11	Mr Tarry (Mrs James & Mr Shillitoe)	An ensemble for all instrumentalists wishing to play together in a larger ensemble/group – all experiences and all instruments welcome!

## Careers@Baines

There is always a Careers Update in the fortnightly Headteacher Update. This one is being used to introduce our new Careers Officer

### Careers Officer Introduction

Hello everyone, my name is Miss Kinder and I would like to introduce myself as the new Careers Officer at Baines School. My working days are Monday to Thursday and I am based within the Careers Hub which is located above the library in room L13. I am excited to be joining the careers team and to be part of many students' journey to their dream career after Baines.

I will be supporting the whole careers programme at Baines and will work with all year groups, but specifically I will support Year 9 students with selecting their GCSE / vocational options, arrange work experience for Year 10 students and work closely with Year 11 students to support them with their further education applications and college interviews. Additionally, I will organise careers events throughout the academic year which will provide valuable opportunities for students to engage with a range of employers, training providers, sixth forms and colleges.

In addition to this, the careers team can offer a wide range of other services and support including:

- Help with CV building
- Mock interviews to develop interview skills
- Support with job applications
- Support with applying for Further Education
- 1:1 Careers guidance appointments

If you need any careers support or guidance then please get in touch with a member of the careers team at the below email addresses. We look forward to working with you to start building and planning towards a bright and successful future.

**Mrs Doherty** (Careers Leader) - [CDO@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:CDO@baines.lancs.sch.uk)

**Mrs Dillon** (Careers Advisor) - [ZDI@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:ZDI@baines.lancs.sch.uk)

**Miss Kinder** (Careers Officer) – [KKI@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:KKI@baines.lancs.sch.uk)





### Winter Wonderland Christmas Fair – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, Baines School will be hosting our very first Christmas Winter Wonderland! The Christmas Fair will run from 4 – 7pm, with some entertainment from our very own talented students.

So far, we have the following stalls:

Aromas and sweets

Candles

Cakes and bakes

Chutneys

Confectionary

Dog Wear

The Body Shop at Home

Home and gift stall

(And of course, a visit from Santa!)

If you would like to have your own stall, please contact Mrs Doherty ([cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk)); we are aiming to have a variety of stalls rather than a number of the same kind; stalls will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. It would be lovely to have an assortment of stalls – and do a bit of Christmas shopping!

We are also looking for donations for a bottle tombola and for a Christmas Raffle. If you feel you can donate a prizes for either of these please contact Mrs Doherty or drop any prizes at our front office. All donations will be very gratefully received.

## Friends of Baines

The first Friends of Baines meeting will be on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 11.30am.

If you would like to attend the meeting please contact Mrs Doherty ([cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk)). An agenda will be emailed anyone who would like to attend. If you are not able to attend but would like to be involved, please email Mrs Doherty for further details.

Once established, we will carry out a full DBS and give safeguarding training for any FOB who may volunteer in school. There will be a range of projects to develop and we welcome anyone who would like to bring ideas and get involved.

## Student Council



A massive thank you to everyone who took part in and supported the Race for Life.

The atmosphere was absolutely tremendous and the current cash total is £1875.50 and £1742.17 + £333.04 gift aid through the school Just Giving page. **This is a total of £3950.71. This is truly amazing - thank you to everyone who has supported our students and donated towards this amazing charity.**



The Year 10 student council had quite the harvest of potatoes, and a lot of laughter at our snowman potato!! Thank you to Collesha, Summer and Nyx who gave up their time after school. The potatoes will be prepared for the students next week by Mr Noon our Catering Manager.



To support Jeans for Genes, students will listen to the importance of the charity during assemblies this week, and will be able to wear jeans and trainers on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September** (unless they have PE), for a £1 donation. Any student can make a donation, even if they are not wearing jeans.



## Safeguarding and Wellbeing

All our students have been encouraged to complete a wellbeing survey during these first two weeks back at school. The survey will help Mrs Doherty and the pastoral team to identify any students requiring a little bit of support on their return to school or starting at Baines for the first time.

To celebrate Mental Health week in October, we have booked 'Here At Last' to visit our students on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October; they are a band from all over the UK. Formed in 2020, Here at Last their first headline UK tour sold out and they will be headlining another tour later this year. They are also the biggest UK boyband on TikTok with over 1.5 million followers. Having all had their own issues with cyber bullying and mental health, the boys are in the perfect position to deliver such a positive message to pupils and are excited to be given the opportunity to educate and inspire. Please find a couple of links to their music videos below:

[Here At Last - Ocean Eyes](#)

[Here At Last - Someone To You](#)



The band will discuss mental health, the causes of mental health problems (stress at school, relationships etc), a time one of them had their own mental health issues, who to turn to for help and the importance of speaking up. They will also speak about the stresses of this year during the pandemic, the loss we might all have felt and how we can all better handle the unpredictability and hardship of it all. They will give advice on how to stay safe online (Never giving out personal information, never meeting strangers online, safety on social network sites, following rules of your parents on the internet etc) as well as discussing cyber bullying and where to go for help. They will also discuss personal stories ie a time he was affected by cyber bullying, how he felt at the time, how he reacted, and the outcome of the situation.



Just a reminder that if you or your son / daughter has any safeguarding concerns, please contact a member of the safeguarding team:

Mrs Doherty (Deputy Headteacher and Safeguarding Lead)

Miss Harkins (Pastoral Manager and Safeguarding Person)

Mr Shillitoe (Head of Creative Arts and Safeguarding Person)

If you have any ideas how you feel we could improve our safeguarding of students, please feel free to email Mrs Doherty ([cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cdo@baines.lancs.sch.uk))

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and teachers to help their children to stay safe online. This guide is one of our efforts to help you do this. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, links and tips to protect.

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know About WHATSAPP

16+ in UK & EU; 12+ rest of world.

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, and making voice and video calls. The app offers end-to-end encryption, meaning messages can only be read by the sender and the recipient(s). Not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 reportedly caused millions of users to leave the app. But the new policy was widely misinterpreted. It only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

### 'Prize' Scams

WhatsApp users occasionally receive messages from unknown numbers offering prizes or rewards for completing a survey. A common scam involves a warning that someone's WhatsApp subscription has run out, claiming to drop them into disclaiming payment details. Other scams include instructions to forward a message to earn a gift or reward.

### Enabling Fake News

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India, some outbreaks of mob violence were reported to have been sparked by false allegations shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

### Connections with Strangers

To start a WhatsApp chat, you need the mobile number of the person you want to message (they also need to have the app). Who takes can also access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts use WhatsApp. If your child has given their mobile number to somebody they don't know, that person could then use it to get in touch via WhatsApp.

### Disappearing Messages

With 'disappearing messages', users can send messages that vanish from WhatsApp after seven days. A new feature also allows photos and videos from chats after they've been viewed. These files can't be saved or forwarded on, making monitoring what children are discussing problematic – and if someone sends your child an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove. Content can be reported to WhatsApp, however, and use your child knows how to do this.

### 'Only Admins' and Cyberbullying

Group chats and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by a unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

### Live Location Sharing

The 'live location' feature lets us share our current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a "simple and secure way to let people know where you are." Indeed, it is a useful method for a child to let loved ones know they are safe. But if your child is in a chat with people they don't know, it means they will be exposing their location to them, too.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### Report Potential Scams

Advise your child not to engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they will be given the option to report it as a spam. They can also report a contact or group as a spam by tapping on the contact or group name to open their profile and scrolling down to 'Report Spam'.

### Create a Safe Profile

Even though someone would need your child's phone number to add them as a contact, as an extra precaution it's worth altering your young one's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody'. Choosing one of the latter two ensures their profile is protected.

### Use Location Features Sparingly

If your child needs to use 'live location' to show you or their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives 'live location' options of 15 minutes, one hour or eight hours. However, your child can manually choose to stop sharing their position at any time.

### Fact-Check Messages

You can now fact-check messages that have been forwarded at least five times in WhatsApp, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was accurate or not. It's a good way to encourage young people to question things they see online.

### Explain about Blocking

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them. Communication from blocked contacts won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone doesn't remove them from your child's contacts list – they would also need to be deleted from the device's address book. The option to block someone is on their contact info screen.

### Leave a Group

If your child is part of a group chat that makes them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they no longer want to be part of, show them how to use the group settings to leave. If someone adds a group, the admin can add them back in once. If they leave a second time, it's permanent.

### Delete Accidental Messages

If your child has posted a message in the wrong chat or sent a message that they immediately regret, they can delete it. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone'. WhatsApp allows seven minutes to delete a message after it's sent – but it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.

### Meet Our Expert

Parvinder Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids Hacks, a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.

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# Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Workshops

## FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Are you a parent or carer living in Blackpool, Fylde or Wyre?

Would you like to know more about children and young people's mental health and resilience?

If yes, please come along to our Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Workshops for parents and carers. All workshops are co-produced and co-facilitated by parents, carers and mental health professionals.

### LINKS

Understanding Anxiety  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/164138999165>

Combating Low Moods  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/164180015847>

Behaviour that Challenges  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/164180960673>

Discussing Self-harm  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/164181654749>

## WORKSHOP DATES & TIMES

Understanding Anxiety  
23rd September 10AM-12.30PM  
Online Via Zoom

Combating Low Moods  
13th October 10AM-12.30PM  
Online Via Microsoft Teams

Behaviour that Challenges  
10th November 10AM-12.30PM  
Online Via Zoom

Discussing Self-harm  
2nd December 10AM-12.30PM  
Online Via Microsoft Teams

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### Forthcoming Events:

14<sup>th</sup> September- Year 9 Boys and Girls HPV Vaccinations

17<sup>th</sup> September-Jeans for Genes day

20<sup>th</sup> September – Prospective Year 7 Open Evening (please book a family ticket)

24<sup>th</sup> September – School Photographs Year 7 and 10 Individuals

29<sup>th</sup> September – Year 10 and 11 Information Evening.

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Alison Chapman, Headteacher





**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY PATTERN**  
**2021/2022**

**Autumn Term 2021**

<b>INSET- (Twilight)</b>	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021 (School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
<b>INSET</b>	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021 (School Closed for Pupils)
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021 (School Closed for Pupils)
<b>Reopen on</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
<b>School Closed</b> (in lieu of the Queen's Jubilee later in the year)	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021 (School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
<b>Mid-term closure</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021 School closes Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October / Re-Opens Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 (School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
<b>Early closure 1pm on</b>	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 67 SCHOOL DAYS + 4 INSET DAYS + 1 Day for Queens Jubilee**

**Spring Term 2022**

<b>Reopen on</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
<b>Mid-term closure</b>	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 inclusive School closes Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February Re-opens Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
<b>Closure after school on</b>	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022 (School Closed for Pupils)

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 58 SCHOOL DAYS + 1 INSET DAY**

**Summer Term 2022**

<b>Reopen</b>	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
<b>Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May (School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
<b>Mid-term closure</b>	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022 inclusive School closes Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May Re-opens Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>Early closure 1pm on</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 63 SCHOOL DAYS + 0 INSET DAYS**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 189 SCHOOL DAYS + 5 INSET DAYS + 1 day for Queen's Jubilee**

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**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY PATTERN**  
**2022/2023**

**Autumn Term 2022**

<b>INSET</b>	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2022	(School Closed for Pupils)
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2022	(School Closed for Pupils)
Reopen on	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	
Mid-term closure	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	
	School closes Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October Re-Opens Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022	
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	(School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
Early closure 1pm on	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 69 SCHOOL DAYS + 3 INSET DAYS**

**Spring Term 2023**

<b>INSET</b>	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	(School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
Re-Open	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
Mid-term closure	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 inclusive	
	School closes Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February Re-opens Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	
Closure after school on	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	
<b>INSET</b>	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	(School Closed for Pupils)

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 57 SCHOOL DAYS +2 INSET DAYS**

**Summer Term 2023**

Reopen	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023	(School Closed for Staff & Pupils)
Mid-term closure	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023 inclusive	
	School closes Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May Re-opens Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	
Early closure 1pm on	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	

**NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 64 SCHOOL DAYS + 0 INSET DAYS**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF OPENINGS = 190 SCHOOL DAYS + 5 INSET DAYS**



# Baines School Open Evening

Monday 20th September 6.30-9.00pm

We are looking forward to welcoming Y6\* students and parents/carers for a guided tour of our school.

Tours will last around 45 minutes.

Family tickets are available here on EventBrite:  
<https://tinyurl.com/Baines-Open-Evening-Sept-2021> or you can use the qr code below.

Please book one ticket only in advance for your family.

Choosing the right secondary school is a really important family decision but we ask families to consider keeping numbers to a minimum.

We look forward to welcoming you.

\*We will provide opportunities for families with children in Year 5 to visit our school later in the academic year.

A student will guide you around the different areas of school and you will have the opportunity to visit each subject area. You will also be able to speak with staff and students in each department.

There will not be a presentation in the Hall this year from Mrs Chapman, Headteacher, in order to keep an element of social distancing. Mrs Chapman will post a video closer to the event on our website. On our website you will find a variety of videos from each department about how we work with our students across school. You will also find digital copies of our prospectus and relevant supporting information to help you understand how great our school is.

*All pupils must be accompanied by a parent/carer.*

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