



Benedict Biscop CE Academy

6th September 2024



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Headteacher: Mrs Armstrong
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Clark

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

SCHOOL OPENS TO PUPILS ON **MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER**



I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We are excited to welcome everyone back to school on Monday and look forward to another fantastic year ahead. We are also excited to welcome our new nursery families who will be joining us this year. We usually send out a weekly Newsletter on a Friday to try to reduce the number of texts & emails we send out.

As we begin the new term, I encourage you to take some time to carefully read through the newsletters, as they contain important updates and information for the upcoming academic year. Your attention to these details will help ensure a smooth and successful start for all.

We can't wait to see everyone and continue our journey of learning together!

Mrs Armstrong

School Lunches Price change

Please note that the cost of school dinners has increased;

Early Years Nursery Lunches £ 2.25
KS2 Lunches £2.55

Payment should be made to your child's school money account at the start of each week

WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure that you send your child to school on Monday with a clearly labelled see through water bottle, filled with non-flavoured water.



Children will have access to water coolers to re-fill their water bottles during the school day.

Water bottles will no longer be provided by school and children will bring their water bottle home every day to be washed & return to school for their use the next day.

Thank you

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS



If you are using childcare vouchers to pay for your child's Educare, Breakfast or After school club please make sure that you transfer enough money to be added to your School Money account so that you can book places using this credit.

Please contact the school office for further information regarding this.

PE Days

PE Lesson will start from **Monday 9th September**, In Years 1 to 6, children should attend school in their P.E. kit on their specified P.E. day.

Monday: Class 9 & Class 1

Tuesday: Class 2 & Class 7

Wednesday: Class 3 & Class 8

Thursday: Class 4 & Class 5



(Nursery & Reception children do not require a PE Kit)

New House Captains for 2024 - 2025

Megan - Aidan
Marley - Bede
Faris - Cuthbert
Jasmine - Caedmon

Packed Lunch Policy

Pupils in Y3 - Y6 who will be bringing a packed lunch to school, please follow the link below for further guidance on packed lunches

(Note: We are a nut free school)

[Packed Lunch Policy](#)

PLEASE PARK AROUND SCHOOL WITH CONSIDERATION FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS AND NOT ON THE PAVEMENTS



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DATES AND EVENTS IN 2024/25



- Monday 9th September** School re-opens to all pupils for new academic year
- Weds 11th September** Y5 school trip to Jarrow Hall
- Weds 11th September** PTFA Welcome coffee morning for parents/carers (Learning Centre @ 9am)
- Fri 13th September** Community Worship in the school hall @ 9am (All are welcome)
- Monday 16th September** Music Instrument Lessons begin for registered KS2 pupil
- Monday 16th September** Schoolz out clubs expected to begin (Class 1 - Class 9 pupils only) (further info to follow)
- Friday 11th October** Harvest Festival (TBC)
- Friday 11th October** Flu Immunisations (Rec - Class 9 pupils)
- Monday 14th October** Book Fair in school all week (further details to follow)
- W/C 28th October** HALF TERM (School Closed to all pupils)
- Monday 4th November** INSET DAY (School Closed to all pupils)
- Tuesday 5th November** School re-opens to all pupils for 2nd Autumn Half Term



Holiday Absence during Term Time

As we all look forward to the upcoming holidays, we understand and appreciate the financial considerations involved in planning a family holiday.

However, we kindly remind you of the new changes to the law regarding school leave for the next academic year. It's important to be aware of these regulations when notifying us of leave from school. Please note all absences unless for exceptional circumstances, as outlined in the school attendance policy, **can not** be authorised.

The expectation is that Nursery children will not take holidays during term time either.

We encourage you to consider these guidelines before booking any holidays to ensure your child's education remains a priority. Please feel free to contact us to discuss any leave requests you are wanting to make (or click on the link below)

[Exceptional Leave Of Absence Request Form](#)

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in supporting our commitment to maintaining excellent attendance and educational standards.

[IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS ATTENDANCE POLICY](#)

A message from BB PTFA

Wednesday 11th September



We are hosting a welcome coffee morning in the school's Learning Centre. It would be lovely if Parents, Grandparents and Carers dropped in to find out more about how they could help or to even just enjoy a friendly chat! We hope to see you there!



ASDA Rewards for our School

If any of our families or friends in the community shop at Asda, we kindly ask if you can select us as your chosen school on your rewards app, for a proportion of what you spend to be donated to school. This does not affect your own rewards in any way.

For more information please follow this link:

<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

Please ensure that all items of your child's uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

(We have even found that labelling school shoes can help)

We encourage all children at BB to be responsible for their own belongings and this is made easier when they are clearly labelled