



Teaching and Learning
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Welcome Back to Blaydon West Primary School!

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to a brand-new school year!

We hope you have all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the year ahead. It has been fantastic to welcome the children back to school, and the staff are excited about all the learning, opportunities and experiences we have planned for the coming year.

We are particularly pleased to welcome all our new children and families to the Blaydon West community. We hope you quickly feel part of our school and know that our staff are always here to help.

A Special Welcome to Our New Families

A special welcome to our children and families joining us in **Nursery and Reception** this year.

Starting school is a big milestone, and we know that the first few weeks can be exciting, but sometimes a little daunting too. Please don't worry if your child takes a little time to settle. Our staff are experienced in helping children become happy and confident members of our school community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to us. **No question is too small**, and we are always happy to help.

A Few Reminders for the New School Year

Please remember:

- **Earrings** – children should not wear earrings in school.
- **Pencil cases** – these are not needed as all equipment is provided.
- **Key rings and toys on bags** – please avoid these as they can easily become lost or cause upset.
- **Water bottles** – children should bring water only.
- **Healthy snacks** – snacks should be healthy. Chocolate bars and sweets should not be brought into school.
- **PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL.**

- **School uniform** – please make sure that all uniform and personal belongings are clearly named.
- **FIDGET TOYS**- any equipment needed will be provided by school – please do not send any in from home.

School Uniform

We are proud of our school uniform and ask parents and carers to support us by ensuring children come to school appropriately dressed.

Please remember:

- School shoes should be **plain black shoes**.
- Trainers should not be worn on non-PE days.
- PE kit should be worn only on the days specified by your child's class.
- Please make sure that all clothing, coats and PE kit are **clearly named**.

A full description of our school uniform can be found on the school website.

Meet the Teacher Evenings KS1 and KS2.

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers of years 1 – 6 into school for our **Meet the Teacher** evenings.

These meetings are an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, find out about the year ahead and hear about expectations, routines, homework and other important information.



Key Stage 1 & 2

- **Year 3 – Monday 14th September**
- **Year 6 – Monday 14th September**
- **Year 2 – Tuesday 15th September**
- **Year 4 – Tuesday 15th September**
- **Year 5 – Wednesday 16th September**
- **Year 1 – Thursday 17th September**

We strongly encourage parents and carers to attend where possible, as these meetings provide useful information to help you support your child throughout the school year.

Attendance Matters!

Excellent attendance continues to be one of our priorities this year.

Every day in school matters. Regular attendance helps children to keep up with their learning, maintain friendships and develop positive routines.

Please remember:

- Holidays during term time will not normally be authorised.
- Unauthorised absence may result in a **penalty notice** being issued by the local authority.
- If your child is unable to attend school, please inform us as soon as possible and provide a reason for the absence.
- If you are experiencing difficulties with attendance, please speak to us. We would much rather work with families to solve problems early.



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Looking Ahead

We have lots planned for the year ahead, including exciting learning opportunities, visits, events, sporting activities and opportunities for parents and families to become involved in school life.

We will continue to keep you informed through our newsletters, school communications and the school website.

Our aim is simple: **for every child at Blaydon West to be happy, safe, successful and proud of what they achieve.**

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year together!

**Mr Brown
Headteacher
Blaydon West Primary School**