



Bapchild & Tonge CE (Aided) Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good summer break and your child/ren are raring to come back. We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery, Year 1 to 6 children tomorrow (Tuesday 3rd September) and our new Reception children from Wednesday 4th September 2024. Staff have been busy preparing classrooms and the school ready for the children's return.

To clarify the arrangements for our children:

- Your child will be collected from the Key Stage 1 or 2 playground at 8.40am with registration at 8.45am. The children will be dismissed again to the KS1 or KS2 playground at the end of the school day (3.15pm). Please do not worry if you have another child in another class as we will always supervise them until you have collected other children. Nursery and Reception will come in and out of their normal doors.
- We **do not** want large school bags in school.
- Your child will have brought reading books home and will need to bring in reading books and records everyday ready to read with an adult or in reading times.
- Your child's PE days are detailed below for this term. They should wear PE kits into school on these days.

PE Kits should consist of:

- Black shorts, PE skirt or leggings.
- T-shirt in house colours
- School jumper to keep them warm or black sweatshirt.
- Black plimsolls or trainers appropriate for PE.
- Plain black tracksuit (if preferred)

Term 1 – PE timetable

Year Group	PE Session 1	PE Session 2
Reception	Tuesday – Fun and Games	Thursday - Movement
Year 1	Monday – Basketball	Tuesday – Dance
Year 2	Monday – Yoga	Thursday - Volleyball
Year 3	Tuesday - Netball	Thursday - Golf
Year 4	Tuesday - Dance	Friday – Dodgeball
Year 5	Wednesday – Football	Friday - Hockey
Year 6	Wednesday – Football	Friday - Hockey

Please **do not** send your child in wearing bright coloured clothing that is not part of the above PE kit.

Your child's PE time may change according to Sports Coaches coming into school or other sporting activities. Your child's class teacher will inform you of any changes. PE will start from Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

The children always look lovely when they return in their school uniform but to ensure it is practical and looks smart can I please remind you that our policy states:

- Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers or green & white checked dress
- Green cardigan or sweatshirt
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Black school shoes – no trainers, boots, sandals or high heels

Unfortunately, Contract Dining (our school meals provider) have also passed on another price increase for the cost of a school dinner.

School dinners will therefore be increasing in cost from **£2.75** per meal to **£2.83**. This will be from Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

Free School Meals and Universal Infant School meal (children entitled to a meal from Reception to Year 2) are unaffected and continue to be free. I would urge all children that are entitled to take up this great opportunity as it does really extend the variety of food children are willing to try.

Governors have also reviewed the Nursery charges for academic year 2024/25. For existing nursery children, the following charges will come in from Monday 7th November 2024 (to give all one term's notice):

Morning session 8.45am – 11.45am **£19.00** each session Monday to Friday

Afternoon session 12.15pm – 3.15pm **£19.00** each session Monday to Friday

Lunch time session 11.45am – 12.15pm **£4.75** each session Monday to Friday

The decision has also been made to remove access to the Breakfast Club for our Nursery aged children due to staffing and lack of demand.

We have also reviewed the After-school Club provision timings and looked at the demand and its future sustainability. The paid for After-school Club will now run 3.15 - 4.30pm as a twilight session and will remain at the flat rate cost of £4.50. The provision will be open from Tuesday 3rd September 2024. If in the interim you need to support to 5.15pm please do contact us to discuss the options.

The school has looked very carefully at how it can minimise the additional costs to parents of school meals, Nursery Breakfast Club removal and After-school Club times. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss any of this further.

We are really looking forward to seeing you and the children on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Yours sincerely

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Head Teacher