



# Baines' Bulletin

September 6, 2019

## **Welcome Back!**

I hope that you have all had a lovely summer. The children all look so smart in their new school uniforms and there are lots of smiley faces around school. Our new starters in Reception are also settling well into school life and are enjoying spending time with their new classmates. School feels great; there is a lovely, happy vibe - perfect for growing and learning together!

## **Hello and Welcome...**

I would like to welcome our new members of staff: Our teachers: Mr. Holt in Reception, Mr. Griffiths in Year 1, Mr. Walker in Year 3, Miss. Wynn and Miss Everson in Year 4 and Mrs. Mellor in 4KL. Our Teaching Assistants: Our Special Support Assistants: – I'd like to extend a huge Baines' welcome to them! I am sure that they will quickly feel very much a part of our Baines' family.

## **Healthy Schools**

As a healthy school, we would like to encourage you to send a healthy lunch for your child, if they are on packed lunches. Get some good ideas from:

[www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration](http://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration)

## **New Dinners**

Our wonderful Mellors staff are back to school serving fantastic homemade school meals each day. The food is really good! If you would like your child to have a school dinner, please ask at the office for more details.

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

It's hard for us all to get used to getting up early again, after those lazy lie-ins of the summer, but can I please remind you, that our pupils need to be in school by 8:55 a.m. so that they do not miss crucial learning that takes place at the start of the day.

## **Uniform**

As I have already mentioned, the children are looking so smart in their new school uniforms – thank you to you all for sending your children back to school looking so smart! Visits are already being organized for the year and I know that we will feel very proud of our children as they represent our school.

If anyone would like any spare uniform Miss Sawyer has lots that she would like to give away (It's making her office very untidy!)

## **Hair, Nails and Jewellery...**

Obviously over the summer holidays, children will have enjoyed having their hair and nails in cool styles, that they may not usually have for school. Can I please ask that nail varnish is now removed, jewellery is back to plain studs and any extreme haircuts are allowed to grow into a cut that is suitable for school – thank you!

## **Parking**

As we are in a residential area, can we please remind you all to avoid parking across residents' driveways.

## **Bikes in the Bike Shed**

Riding to school is a good way to keep fit and we do have a bikeshed for you to store bikes. If you want your child to park their bike at school, please ensure that you lock your child's bike securely, as school can't accept responsibility for bikes which are left.

## **Reception Gazette Photograph**

On 18<sup>th</sup> September The Gazette will be in school to photograph our new Reception children. We will inform you of the date that the photograph will appear in the paper as soon as we know when that will be.

## **Contact Information**

Can you please inform the office if any of your contact details have changed and please let us know in good time, if you want someone other than yourself, to collect your child at the end of the day, as we will not allow children to go home with anyone who is not on your contact list.



### **Clubs for the Autumn Term**

Letter will be sent out on Monday.

### **Requests for Special Leave and Medical Appointments**

Could all medical appointments and requests for leave come straight to the main school office rather than through the class teachers for both confidentiality and efficiency reasons.

### **ParentPay**

Can I please politely remind parents to ensure that payments for school dinners, Nursery, Early Birds and Bridges are paid on time. Any requests for any child wanting to change from packed lunches to school dinners require one week's notice. This is so that the food order for school dinners can be changed to accommodate any increases/decreases required. Thank you.

### **Taking children out of school during term time**

Can I politely remind all parents that, should you wish to take your children out of school during term time, that **holidays are not authorised** and school has the ability to issue penalties for absence due to holidays taken in term-time. **Due to the large number of holidays taken during term-time last year, we are currently updating our policy to make the section on issuing fines as a deterrent, as clear as we can. If you take your child out of school on a holiday, you may be issued with a fine. Please be aware of this.**

### **Sunday Services at Events St. Paul's Church, Honister Avenue**

#### Services:

10.00 a.m. Family Eucharist with all age activity/ teaching

#### Events:

8<sup>th</sup> September: 7:30 p.m. Last Night of the Proms, Guardian Royal Band. Tickets cost £7. Pay on the door. Bar available.

27<sup>th</sup> September: 11:00 a.m. Macmillan Coffee Morning. Coffee and cakes on sale to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support

### **Dates for your diary:**

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Sept: PGL trip

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Sept: Reception Reading meeting

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept: Reception reading books home  
Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup>: Bikeability Week for Year 5.  
More information to follow for Year 5 parents.

Week Beg. Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Sept: Parent Information Meetings: Year 1- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> 4:30 p.m.

Year 1/2JB – Mon 16<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m.

Year 2 – Mon 16<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m.

Year 3 – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 4:30 p.m.

Year 4 – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m.

Year 6 – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. inc. SATs

Year 5 – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> –Gazette photograph in school for the Reception pupils

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – 9:40 a.m. KS2 Harvest Service at St. Paul's Church. KS2 parents are welcome to attend.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – Success For All Tea Party. Letters will be sent out to any parents of children who are involved.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – 9:10 a.m. KS1 Harvest Service in school led by Year 2. Year 2 parents are invited to attend.

Week Beginning Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Science Week

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct – Open Morning 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Book At Bedtime

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – 3JR Class Assembly. 3JR parents welcome to attend.

School closes 3:15 p.m.

Here's to a happy first half term!

*Mrs. Rusling*