



NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2017

New Bolsover Primary School



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 26 th September	Individual Photographs
Thursday 19 th October	School Closes 3.30pm
Monday 30 th October	School Opens
Tuesday 19 th December	School Closes 3.30pm
Tuesday 2 nd January 2018	School Opens
Monday 29 th January 2018	INSET DAY - School Closed
Thursday 15 th February 2018	School Closes 3.30pm
Monday 26 th February 2018	School Opens
Friday 23 rd March 2018	School Closes 3.30pm
Monday 9 th April 2018	School Opens
Monday 7 th May 2018	School Closed - May Day
Thursday 24 th May 2018	School Closes 3.30pm
Monday 4 th June	School Opens
Friday 20 th July 2018	School Closes 3.30pm

CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR PARENTS

Parents/carers are invited to attend the following class assemblies in the school hall at 3pm:

Tue 3rd October Year 6
Tue 10th October Year 5
Tue 17th October Year 4
Tue 31st October Year 3
Tue 7th November Reception Miss Wragg
Tue 14th November Reception Mrs Holland
Tue 21st November Year 1
Tue 28th November Year 2

WELCOME BACK!

We would like to welcome new and existing pupils back to school. We have had a very positive first week back, with most pupils settling quickly into routines and everyone looking smart and ready to learn. Mr Turner and the staff have worked very hard during the summer to ensure school is organised, clean and tidy. To help maintain this, please ensure that your child's clothes have their name in so misplaced items can be returned quickly. Please make sure children also come to school with a suitable coat. The weather is changeable, especially at the moment. Bookbags are the most suitable bag for pupils and can be purchased from the Office. Space in classrooms is limited. Rucksacks are not suitable. Please do not allow your child to bring toys, jewellery or other precious items to school. You will be receiving a tailored letter from the class teacher with information about routines, expectations and topics for the Autumn term.

MORNING ROUTINE

From 8.45am pupils have been coming into school via the main entrance as they arrive on the playground. Some parents of younger pupils have been accompanying their children into school. From Monday 11th September we would like pupils to come in independently.

HOME-TIME

Please do not come onto the premises before 3.20pm as some learning takes place outside until this time. We know home-time is a busy time, but try not to block doorways and gateways or crowd into spaces where children wait for parents. Pupils in Reception can be collected from the Courtyard. Year 1, 2 and 3 can be collected from the front yard. Please wait here for your child. Year 4, 5 and 6 will wait in front of the Dining Room. Please wait in the Sensory Garden or front yard and staff will send children to you. Please do not wait in front of the Dining Room. If you have several children to collect, please collect the youngest first. Staff will accompany children outside and supervise until collected. If you need to speak to a member of staff, this is also an ideal opportunity to do so.

UPDATING INFORMATION

Please ensure your contact details are up-to-date. Inform us in writing if you have a new address or telephone number. If there are any changes to medical conditions or medications children are taking, please let us know as soon as possible.

LEARNING AT HOME

Children will bring things from school to do at home. It is an opportunity for you and your child to share activities and learning, and should be enjoyable. It is a good opportunity to talk together about learning. We would also like to hear what other activities you do with your children out of school. We would like to develop a news board in school, and possibly extend this to the website, sharing interests and hobbies. If you would like to share something at any time, please send in any photographs you would be happy to share and information about the activity. It is important for children to extend opportunities, experiences and interests outside of school, and become an independent learner.

COMMUNICATIONS

We sometimes share events, information or reminders using our Facebook page. Please search for and follow our page to receive these updates in your newsfeed. We also regularly put information on the school website, so look here too:

<http://www.newbolsover.derbyshire.sch.uk/>

MILK

We will continue to provide free milk to pupils under 5 next year however milk will not be available for other pupils unless it is paid for by the parent. Details on how to order and pay for milk are available from the school office or on the CoolMilk website: <http://www.coolmilk.com/parents/>

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

In September 2013 the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 came into force. These regulations make it clear that Headteachers should not grant approval for any leave of absence during term-time, including holidays, unless there are exceptional circumstances. These regulations also state that holidays cannot be authorised retrospectively. Any requests should be on an official school absence request form and handed into the school office for consideration prior to any holiday/leave arrangements being made. You may be issued with a Penalty Notice should leave be taken which is not authorised. If unpaid this could lead to prosecution under section 444(1) of The Education Act 1996.

HEAD LICE

We ask you to check your child's hair at least twice a week. On detecting head lice parents should inform school and children in the same class will be reminded to check their hair. Further advice can be found at: <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

NUTS

We have children who are allergic so ask that no nuts are brought into school please.