



Baines' Endowed

Church of England Primary Academy
A member of CJDARI

Thursday 14th October 2021

‘For with God, nothing is impossible’

Luke 1:37



October: Extra News

Parents' Evening: Thursday 14th October 2021

On behalf of all of the staff at Baines', may I warmly welcome you all back into school and nursery ahead of this evening's Parents' Evening.

For some parents/carers, I realise this will be your first visit. Staff will be available around school to help you navigate your way to your child's classroom. Please ask for help if you need it.

Arrangements for Accessing the Buildings:

Can all Nursery parents/carers please enter/exit via the doors at the back of the Nursery building; access via the playground.

Can Reception, Year 1 and 2 parents/carers please enter/exit school via the Main School Door and can Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 parents/carers please enter/exit via the Main Hall doors; access via the playground.

Please arrive at Nursery or school at the time of your appointment to avoid waiting, and please note that your child's books will be available in their classroom, for you to look at after your appointment in the hall.

Please wear a mask if you wish. Teachers may not be wearing masks during your meeting, due to the need for them to talk for the majority of the evening, but windows will be open to maximise ventilation.

We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Rusling

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School News

Before and After School Wraparound Care

School has places available for before and after school care. If you are interested in a place for your child, please email bebridges@cidari.co.uk for more information.

Garden Projects

School currently has several garden projects ongoing. Thank you to Urban Organic and Alan Hulme, RHS National Judge, gardener to David Attenborough and ex-Baines' pupil, who is working with us to develop our outdoor areas, to create beautiful gardens for our children to learn and play in.

Please can all parents/carers ensure that they keep their younger children out of the planters near the Reception Entrance, since we are trying to grow plants here. Thank you.

Marking (Feedback)

This academic year, in line with current educational practice, marking of pupils' books in school has been changed. At Parents' Evening, when looking through your child's books, you will notice beside the learning objectives (title) there will be a mark highlighted either in green or yellow. The green mark shows the pupil that they had a good understanding of the lesson and a yellow mark shows the pupil they found the lesson difficult and that further work is required. In addition to this, teachers are recording progress and areas for development for individuals and groups, which feeds back into future lessons. This information is kept in the teacher's personal teaching files and not in the pupils' classbooks.

Events Coming up



School Photographs

School photographs have been sent home with pupils this week. If you would like to order your child's photograph, please return them to the school office by Wednesday 3rd November at the latest.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place tomorrow evening, Thursday 14th October, and will be held face-to-face at school and nursery. Any parent/carer requesting a telephone appointment will receive a call from their child's class teacher to arrange an appropriate time for this to take place.

Class Assemblies

The dates for class assemblies will be shared on the School Calendar on our website.

Primary School Applications for September 2022

If you have, or know anyone who has, a child who was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, you must apply for a Primary School Reception place for September 2022. Applications for Primary School must be received by **15th January 2022**. Places are allocated by schools and academies by 4th March and parents are informed of their place by 16th April. If you or anyone you know needs to apply, please apply online via the applications portal, or request a paper application from the Council.

Secondary School Applications

Please remember that **the deadline for applying for a Blackpool secondary school for September 2022, is 31st October 2021**. If you apply later than this date, you are at risk of not getting a place at your preferred school. Please DO NOT APPLY LATE.

For both primary and secondary applications please read Blackpool's Council Guide and apply for a place online at: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions. For more information on applying, telephone 01253 476637.

Flu Nasal Spray

The date for the Nasal Spray for school age children will be Friday 15th October. Information will be sent out over ParentApp. If you do not want your child to have the Nasal Spray, you will need to follow the link on the message.

SEN Reviews

SEN reviews will take place 29th November and 3rd December. Mrs Collison will be in touch with more information.



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Harvest Appeal 2021

Thank you to all parents/carers who have donated to our Harvest collection for Emmie's Kitchen so far. Donations are still being collected, so please donate whatever you are able to, via ParentPay. Donations will be counted at the end of this half term and I will update you all on our total next term. Thank you.

School Office Noticeboard

School Water Bottles in Class

Children are welcome to bring a drinks bottle with **water** in into school for drinking throughout the day. Due to promoting healthy eating and drinking, sugary drinks are not suitable for sipping throughout the day.

School Dinners

Please give one full week's notice if you would like your child to move from packed lunches to school dinners, or vice versa. Thank you.

Parentapp

ParentApp has recently changed. If you are experiencing any difficulties with the new App, please contact ParentApp direct, or contact the Academy Office for assistance.

Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent due to any illness, you must either leave a message on the school answer machine, or complete the absence form on Parentapp **by 9.30am on the first day of absence**. Thank you for supporting our Academy with this matter.

Covid Absences

Please telephone the school office to speak to a member of our team to report any Covid-related absences.

As an Academy, we will continue to wear masks on site in communal areas, socially distance where possible, promote regular and careful handwashing for a minimum of twenty seconds and continue to provide hand sanitiser for use in school and nursery.

The following symptoms are now associated with Covid:

- *Runny nose*
- *Headache*
- *Sore throat*
- *Sickness, including nausea*
- *High temperature*
- *Loss of taste or smell*
- *Persistent cough*

Whilst it is not mandatory to take a PCR test, or wear a mask, I must continue to strongly advise our community to follow the clear instruction from Public Health England, which myself and our Trust fully support: if you have any of the above symptoms, please book a PCR test. Thank you

Uniform

Please read the notice regarding uniform that was sent out via ParentApp and email today. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. Should you require any assistance with uniform, please contact Mrs. Jacobs at school to see if we are able to help.

Dates for Your Diary: **October**

14th: Parents' Evening- details to follow on 7th October

15th: Nasal Flu Vaccination

15th-21st: Writing Week - Writing Week has been postponed until after half term

21st: School closes for half term for EYFS/KS1 at 3:05 p.m. and for KS2 at 3:15 p.m.

1st November: School and Nursery reopen for the second half of the Autumn Term.



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