



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back everyone to the start of a new academic year!

Everyone looks smart in their new uniforms and ready to learn. When Mrs Thomas and I have walked around the classrooms last week, we have been impressed with how quickly the children have settled back in, and how hard they are already working.

I would also like to welcome our **new starters** to Easterside Academy! As well as our new reception children in the Early Years who have settled in fantastically well, we also have a few new children and families in our school – so **welcome everyone!**

There are four **key areas** we have identified within our **Academy Improvement Plan** this year that we will be focusing on in order to improve the service we provide and outcomes for children. These are:

Priority 1: COVID Response – Achievement – continue to minimise the impact of COVID19 through quality first teaching, assessment and targeted support, so that ALL pupils make the necessary progress to fulfil their potential – cohort specific focuses linked to summative assessment.

Priority 2: COVID Response – Writing - To inspire and develop self-assured writers.

Priority 3: COVID Response – Pupil Wellbeing / Relationships / Mental Health - Strengthen relationships, pupils wellbeing and mental health through our provision including curriculum and levels of support, in order to enhance their life chances and outcomes.

Priority 4: Engaging and Exciting Curriculum – continue to strengthen the implementation and impact of our curriculum design so that children know and remember more; develop the whole child through enrichments and extra-curricular opportunities to ensure pupils are given opportunity to explore and develop interests outside the classroom, teaching life-skills and building character.

Best Wishes

Mrs D Linacre

Attendance

Week Beg: 6/09/21

The information below tells you the attendance % for each class, for the last two weeks.

Class	%	%
1		98%
2		94%
3		98%
4		100%
5		92%
6		98%
7		100%
8		94%
9		93%
10		94%
11		94%
12		98%

The classes have been coded against the national average.

Red – Way below average

Yellow – Below average

Green – Average or above

Please ensure your child comes to school every day unless they are poorly. All the children have lots to catch up on this year due to COVID and we can only do this best when they are in school.

Welcome back parents / carers! ☺ We are happy to welcome early years parents back to 'Stay and Play' on a Thursday. It was great to see some of you staying already last Thursday.



We have lots of exciting events, visits, activities already planned for this academic year! ☺

Safety Reminder

If you come to school by car, please try and park away from the main entrance. This is to keep all our children safe as they enter / exit school. Please also be mindful of the local residents and where you park your vehicles. Thank you!

Important Dates:

Friday 17th September – PD Day
Monday 11th October – PD Day
Friday 21st January – PD Day
Monday 16th May – School Bank Holiday

No pupils in school on these days



Academy dates are on our APP / Website

Staff and governors are committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of all the children in their care.