



Blowers Green Primary Newsletter

September 2016 (1)

WELCOME BACK to the New School Year. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new school year ahead. A warm welcome is extended to our new families and I hope that your child's time at Blowers Green will be a happy one. The children all look extremely smart in their school uniforms - a big thank you to parents for your support with this. Please make sure you name ALL items of clothing so that they don't get mixed up! Could we please ask that families work with us to ensure that all children come to school appropriately dressed in their school uniform. From October the price for a sweatshirt will be £5, cardigan £6 and royal blue polo shirts for PE, £1.50 - I'm sure that you will agree that this price still provides excellent value for money



Our SATs results last term were very pleasing - see tables below. Details are also available on our website www.blowers.dudley.sch.uk

Key Stage Two Results 2015-2016		
	% of Blowers Green pupils who achieved the expected standard	% of pupils Nationally who achieved the expected standard
Reading	86	66
Writing	86	73
Maths	89	70
Spelling Punctuation and Grammar	86	72
Key Stage Two Combined Results 2015-2016		
% of Blowers Green pupils who achieved the expected standard in all subjects (Reading, Writing and Maths)		% of pupils Nationally who achieved the expected standard in all subjects (Reading, Writing and Maths)
82		53

WELL DONE BOYS AND GIRLS!



Mr Cooksey, our caretaker, and various workmen have been hard at work in school during the Summer Holidays. The KS2 boys and girls' toilets have been totally refurbished and we now have a brand new extension to our library area. Everywhere looks fantastic and a big THANK YOU goes to Mr Cooksey for all his hard work.

Parents on Your Side (POYS) meetings are taking place as we speak! We will keep you informed of dates and times.

STAFF NEWS - LOTS OF PEOPLE HAVE MOVED AROUND THIS TERM

(below is a list of where you can find each class teacher)


Nursery	Mrs Walker	Class 3	Mr Smith
Reception	Mrs Macdonald (Foundation Stage Manager)	Class 4	Miss Ford
Class 1	Mrs Edmonds/Mrs Francis	Class 5	Mr Dunbar
Class 2	Miss Meads	Class 6	Miss Williamson

(Mr Harrison and Miss Chambers will be working across school providing support to classes throughout the year.)

You will already have met our new member of staff, **Miss Ford in Class 4**, who joined us in September. She is still coming to grips with all the new faces in her class but I'm sure she will settle into our school very quickly.

The price of a school meal is now £2.20 (£11.00 per week). If you think that your child/ren are entitled to **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**, please enquire at the school office for details.



 Thank you to parents for providing children with a healthy packed lunch for lunchtimes. Together we can try to ensure our children are fit, healthy and are able to establish and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

When you bring your child/ren to school each morning could we please ask that you **LEAVE THEM AT THE SCHOOL GATE**. Staff are on duty to see that they arrive safely in their classroom and also take any messages that you may have for the class teachers. Please remember that children need to be collected promptly at the end of the school day and that it must be a responsible adult (aged 16 or over and listed on the child's emergency contact form) who collects them.

SECONDARY TRANSFER : Remember the deadline date for secondary school applications is 31 October 2016.

PRIMARYSCHOOL ADMISSIONS: The deadline for Reception Class applications is **15 January 2016**. For help/information please tel. 01384 814223.

All school vacancies are advertised on the **West Midlands Jobs website** so if you are interested in any jobs available at our school, don't forget to take a look.

We will also have a **PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY**, available next term, details of which will be advertised in forthcoming newsletters.

FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES (provisional-may be subject to change)

12 September	INSET day for staff training
19 September	After school clubs start
11 October	Whole school photographs (details to follow)
24-28 October	Half Term
23 November	Parents' Evening (details to follow)
16 December	School closes for Christmas