



Blowers Green Primary Newsletter

September 2018 (1)

WELCOME BACK to the New School Year. I hope that 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 supporting our uniform policy again this year. Please make sure you name **ALL** items of clothing so that they don't get mixed up! School uniform is available from the office. Please note that from November 5th sweatshirts will be £7.50 and cardigans £8.50.



Many thanks to Mr. Cooksey, our caretaker, who has worked incredibly hard carrying out work and overseeing the playground project. In the nursery we have had a new floor laid and the classroom has been painted along with the corridors. You may have also noticed our fabulous new play area which includes a trim trail and extended cage in our astro turf area. Many thanks for your contributions through the sponsored run.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Can parents and carers please ensure that at the end of the school day children do not use the new playground equipment. This is ensure the safety of our children.

SATs Results

Once again we are extremely pleased with our KS2 SATs results. Both children and staff worked really hard to achieve these. Details of our results will be in our next newsletter.

Parents on Your Side (POYS) - These meetings will take place week commencing the 10 September. They are an opportunity for parents to attend to meet the teaching staff for your child's class and to find out what is happening this year in your child's year group. Your child will bring home details of the date and time.

STAFF NEWS - LOTS OF PEOPLE HAVE MOVED AROUND THIS TERM

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

Nursery	Mrs Strode
Reception	Mrs Macdonald (Strategic Leader for Foundation Stage)
Class 1	Mrs Martin
Class 2	Miss Young (Mon-Weds) / Mrs Edmonds (Thurs-Fri)
Class 3	Mr Smith

Class 4 Miss Swingler
Class 5 Mrs Francis (Mon-Wed), Mr Brown (Thurs-Fri)
Class 6 Mr Thompson

Mrs Williams will be working across school providing support to classes throughout the year. Miss. Walker will also be supporting across school until her maternity leave commences.

GOVERNORS' CHARGING POLICY - It is important that you familiarise yourself with our *Governors' Charging Policy*, particularly the part which refers to the charge for late collection of children from school at the end of the day.

SCHOOL MEALS - The price of a school meal will be £2.30 (£11.50 per week).

From reception to year 2 your child is entitled to free universal school meals.

If you think that your child/ren are entitled to **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** from **year 3 onwards**, please enquire at the school office **as soon as possible** as this impacts our funding if they are not applied for.



ALLERGY WARNING - we have children in school with severe allergies to various foods, for example, nuts. We would, therefore, ask parents to avoid sending items that may contain nuts into school either as a snack or as part of their lunchbox.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS! It is important that you take a look at our *School Attendance Policy* which has been updated and is available for you to view on our school website.

PRIVACY NOTICE: DATA PROTECTION ACT 1998 - **Blowers Green Primary School** are the data controllers for the purposes of the Data Protection Act. If you require more information about how the school stores and uses your information, then please go to the school website: www.blowers.dudley.sch.uk (*Information : Policies*)

SECONDARY TRANSFER: Remember the deadline date for secondary school applications is **31 October 2018**

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

11 September	INSET DAY
9 October	Whole school photographs (details to follow)
29 Oct - 2 nd Nov	<i>Half Term</i>
28 November	Parents' Evening (details to follow)
21 December	School closes for Christmas