



Headteacher Update



2024 - 2025

Monday 16th September – General Update

Uniform

Thank you to all the parents who have followed the school uniform policy for both 'School Uniform' and 'PE uniform', it has been fantastic seeing so many pupils' looking smart. A few issues we are still seeing are:

- **Earrings being worn on PE days** – they need to be removed before school. If they are newly pierced, parents **MUST** cover them before school with tape or plasters.
- **Logos on PE shorts/PE t-shirts/PE jumpers** – we have asked that the clothing is plain and do not have sports logos. Plain black shorts and jumpers/hoodies and plain white t-shirts

If you are unsure about the uniform policy, please refer to the website: [School Uniform Information | Old Basford School](#).

Please can you also make sure you have all your uniform items named, including coats.

OPAL

The children have all come back to school and fully embraced OPAL play. It has been wonderful watching games being created, dens being built, challenges being set and laughter and fun happening. I have been asked if we are still taking donations – yes! Anything wheeled (bikes/scooters/suitcases), pots, pans and utensils and dressing up costumes/adult clothes – basically if you are having a clear out, please ask school whether we can make use of it as the answer is probably yes!

Reminder – Thursday 26th September is our next OPAL parent play event. 1:30 – 2:00 in the school hall with Bobby Beaumont our OPAL mentor speaking to parents about the benefits of OPAL and answering any of your questions and then 2:00 – 3:00 outside playing with your children.

As the weather is changing, please remember (as previously stated) your child will need a pair of named wellies to be kept in school to change into and a good waterproof coat in school each day.

Medicines including inhalers

If your child needs to have prescribed medication in school, please make sure it is handed into the office each day and the relevant medical form is completed.

If your child has an inhaler, please make sure you have updated their 'asthma care plan' and we have a named, in date inhaler in school.

If your child is not feeling 100% but is well enough to come to school but you think they would need paracetamol (Calpol) during the day, please provide school with this and complete the medical form at the office.

Free Afterschool Activities

Please read the attached information regarding clubs/activities.

Pupil Mobile Phones

Reminder to all parents, as a school we do not allow pupils to have personal mobile phones in school. Any individual questions, please speak to Mrs Duffin.

Attendance and Illnesses

Please see the attached information regarding illness and school attendance.