



Headteacher Update



2024 - 2025

Friday 27th September – General Update

Basford Baby Boom!

As you will remember, Mrs Black started her maternity leave at the start of September, we still await news of baby Black's arrival. We also want to congratulate, Mrs Pickup (Nursery teacher), Miss Booth (Year 4 teacher) and Mrs Jones (Year 6 teacher) for their pregnancies. We are currently in the process of recruiting for their replacements and I will update you as this happens.

OPAL play parent afternoon

Apologies for postponing our parent event this week but with the weather warning in place we felt this was the safest decision, although as we know the rain didn't arrive – typical! We have worked with our OPAL mentor Bobby to arrange a new date – Tuesday 19th November 9:00 – 10:30. More information will follow but I wanted to get the date to you as soon as possible.

Uniform

Please can I remind you all of a few key bits of information:

- Please name all clothing, especially shoes (taken off for wellies), coats and jumpers – it is much easier to get it returned if it is named
- Please remove earrings for PE
- Please wear a plain black hoody/jumper on PE days (not the blue OBS jumper)
- Please send your child with a coat every day – we do play outside in all weathers
- Please send a named pair of wellies into school that can be stored in the year group welly shed

If you want to send some spare clothes to school for your child in case they get wet during play, please do so. These can stay on their peg and used if needed.

Parents Evening - Tuesday 1st October and Thursday 3rd October

Next week we have our 2 parents evening events, these are an opportunity to meet the class teacher, talk about how your child has settled into their new class and ask any questions you wish. Mrs Heywood (Special Educational Needs Leader) will be available on both evenings if you want to have a chat with her about any worries you have.

General reminders

- School gates open at 8:40am and close at 8:50am. Your child is late if they arrive after 8:50am and they will need to sign in at the office.
- School gates open at 3:20pm and all children should be off site by 3:30 at the latest.
- If your child is going to be off school due to illness, you must contact school each day they are off stating the reason for absence.
- If you are planning on taking your child out of school for any reason (holiday, attend special events, religious celebration) we do ask that you complete an absence request form at least 6 weeks beforehand, if this is not possible, as soon as you know about the date.