



Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

MEET THE TEACHER

All parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's new teacher on the following days:

Monday 13 September at 2.00pm for children in Years 1 & 2

Tuesday 14 September at 2.00pm for children in Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 15 September at 2.00pm for children in Years 5 & 6

Thursday 16 September at 2.00pm for children in Reception

Prior to the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions parents will have the opportunity to hear a presentation from Mrs Simpson about some of our priorities over the next school year.

Thank you.

SCHOOL EARLY DROP OFFS

A few children have been dropped off at school early this week, in one case 8.10am, this is a safeguarding issue as the children are unsupervised. If you do need to drop your child off early for any reason then please send them to Breakfast Club where they can be supervised. Thank you for your cooperation.

UP TO DATE CONTACT NUMBERS & PARENTMAIL

Please can parents make sure that the school office has all up to date contact numbers, particularly mobile numbers, changes to email addresses and any change of postal address has been notified. If you have downloaded the Parent Mail app then you will **need to update your numbers/email addresses yourselves**, failure to do this will mean you will not receive any texts or emails from school Thank you.

SCHOOL APP

OurSchoolsApp is a personalised app which allows us to keep you all updated with school information, news and calendar events as well as a link to our facebook page. The online payment system is also linked to the app and is available for IOS and Android phones. **It also contains an easy link to access online payments.**

When the app is updated with new information, including the weekly newsletter a push message notification will automatically be sent to your device to inform you.

Instructions for download

1. Using your device (iPhone, iPad, smart pad, tablet or android phone), visit the relevant market place (Apple Store or Google Play)
2. Search for '**OurSchoolsApp**' and download the app
3. Once downloaded, use the search bar within the app and enter the postcode **BB2 6LX** or **school name** and hit search.
4. Once the school name has been displayed, touch the screen on the name and confirm your choice by pressing OK.
5. You will now be presented with the correct app for Wensley Fold. Congratulations!

JEWELLERY & HEADWEAR

Please can we remind parents that jewellery, including earrings, is not allowed in school. Girls may wear plain blue bobbles and headbands only and long hair must be tied back. Thank you.

LABELLING OF CLOTHES

We cannot stress how crucial it is to ensure that **ALL** clothes and belongings are clearly labelled. This is particularly important when it comes to PE kit and detachable hoods. It can be very distressing for children if they mislay items of their school uniform. A lot of belongings including glasses were donated to a local charity shop as they were not labelled or claimed. Overall it will cost you a great deal more in replacing the items, so please, please **LABEL THEM!!** Thank you.

YEAR 1&2 WELLINGTONS

Please can all Year 1 & 2 children bring in a pair of wellington boots to keep in school for our Forest Schools. Year 1 children will need them for this Thursday. Thank you.

RECEPTION

For their new Music Wall in the Forest, Reception classes are looking for donations of metal pans, metal spoons and metal baking tins. All donations would be much appreciated.



MORRISONS – GROW TOKENS

We would love parents to collect the Grow Tokens which Morrison's are currently giving away so that we can get free gardening equipment for our garden and outdoor area. Please can you send them into school if you collect any.

SWIMMING – YEAR 4

Swimming lessons for all Year 4 children will start next Friday 17 September; please can all parents ensure their child has a swimming kit. All children are now required to wear a swimming cap. Thank you.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please can you book your school lunches if you have not already done so. All new parents have received their school grid log in to enable them to book lunches. Thank you.

PE KIT

Children will continue to come to school **in PE kit on their PE day which can be found below.**

This will help with preventing wasted time getting changed, mixing up items of clothing and where to get changed for our older children. This will also allow PE kit to be washed weekly so improving our hygiene measures against Covid 19.

On their PE day children must wear;

- Black shorts and white t-shirt
- Black jersey jogging bottoms (available from Whitakers, Primark, Asda),
- School jumper for KS1,
- School hoodie for KS2 (available from Whittakers)

- Black or white trainers (no logo), NO black pumps.

Monday	1S, 1M, 2W	Reception will start coming in PE kit from week commencing 13 September
Tuesday	Rec A, 5L, 6B, 6D	
Wednesday	Rec H, 3B, 4S, 5M	
Thursday	2B, 3G, 4B	

BREAKFAST CLUB

Parents do not need to book in for Breakfast club any longer; however infant children must be signed in by a parent. Breakfast club opens at 8am and the cost is £1.50 per day and must be paid in advance on ParentPay. Thank you.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2022

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2022. You must now apply using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2022**.

SECONDARY ADMISSIONS 2022

Parent of children in Year 6 must now apply for their child's secondary school for September 2022 using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions The closing date for the applications is **31 October 2021**.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES

If your child has completed any of the Children's University Summer Holiday Challenges please do ensure you send the evidence to Sara via email on s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk or 07805929965. Your child then needs to make sure they hand their passport in to school for it to be updated. All challenges must be completed by next Friday 17 September.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

If your child has taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge at Blackburn Library and they have received their certificate do not forget that they can collect 6 hours for Children's University if they are a member. Please send their certificate into school with their CU passport so it can be updated. There is still time to complete the reading challenge as the deadline is 30 September.

SCHOOL CLUBS

The sign up for school clubs was this morning. A large number of clubs are full, however currently there are still places on:

- Tag Rugby
- Debating
- Laughter Yoga
- Girls Football
- Discover Arts Award
- Girls Netball
- Multi Skills for Years 1 and 2
- Coding

Please note these places may have already gone as they are offered on a first come first serve basis. Log on to ParentPay to find out more.

All those who have signed up to any clubs will receive a letter by Thursday confirming which ones they have signed up for. You **must not** send your child to any clubs without this confirmation.

Any questions please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.