



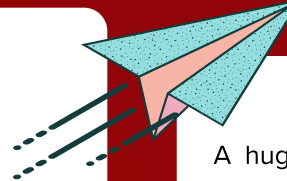
Blackfordby Newsletter



'By their fruits shall you know them.' Matthew 12:33



From Ms Benson - Headteacher



I'm delighted to introduce myself as the new headteacher. With over 30 years of experience in education, I've had the privilege of working in a wide range of schools and taking on a variety of roles. Each step of my journey has deepened my passion for learning and strengthened my belief in the power of education to transform lives.

I'm truly looking forward to getting to know each of you—staff, students, families, and the wider community. My approach is rooted in partnership, and I believe that by working together, we can create an environment where every child feels valued, supported, and inspired to achieve their best.

At the heart of everything we do will be one guiding principle: I expect the best for our children. Their wellbeing, growth, and success will be our shared priority, and I'm excited to begin this journey with you.

F.O.B.S & Community

A huge thank you to our Friends of Blackfordby School for their ongoing support. We are looking forward to lots of exciting events this term—keep an eye on diary dates for details. Our first meeting of the new school year is Thursday 18th September straight after school. New members welcome!!!!!!



P.E

We have been very impressed with how the children have been coming into school ready for their PE lessons. Arriving dressed in PE kit ensures that lessons begin promptly. Reception children will, of course, continue to practise getting changed as part of their curriculum.

A few reminders:

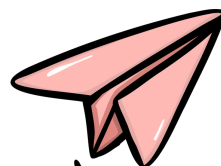
- Long hair must be tied up.
- Jewellery, including earrings, necklaces and watches, should not be worn.
- Recently pierced ears must be covered with micropore tape.

SEPTEMBER

- Tuesday 9th - Yrs 3&4 Faith Trail Trip
- Thursday 11th - Yrs 5&6 Farm Visit
- Thursday 18th - F.O.B.S meeting 15:15 at school
- Tuesday 23rd - Yr 3 Sporting event

OCTOBER

- Thursday 16th - Immunisations
- Friday 17th - School Closed - Inset Day
- Monday 20th - Friday 24th - Half Term
- Thursday 30th - School Photo Day



NOVEMBER

- Friday 5th - Santa Fun Run
- Wednesday 17th - Whole school visit to the Pantomime
- Friday 19th - Last day of Term

JANUARY

- Monday 5th - School Reopens



DECEMBER



WEATHER



As autumn approaches, please ensure your child comes with a coat.



We make every effort to get children outdoors—even in light rain!






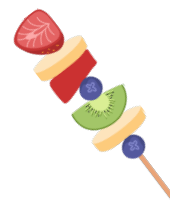
Healthy Eating

Thank you for supporting us in encouraging healthy breaktime snacks. Schools play a key role in shaping lifelong healthy habits, and we want every child to feel energised and ready to learn.




Allowed snacks include:



-  Fresh fruit and vegetables
-  Dried fruit/natural fruit roll-ups
-  Milk (unflavoured only)



 Water (try fruit slices to flavour if needed)

 Plain bread-based snacks such as breadsticks, crackers, toast, or bread with butter/cheese

Not allowed:

-  Nuts or nut-based snacks/spreads (allergy risk)
-  Crisps, chocolate, cakes or sweets

If an unsuitable snack is brought in, we will encourage children to swap for a school-provided alternative.

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