



Bailey Green Primary and Nursery School Together with Bailey's Butterflies

Message from HeadTeacher

Welcome back to the Autumn 1 term!

I hope you had a lovely summer. I'm sure you are ready to get the children back into routine. The children have returned to school looking very smart in their uniform and school shoes. Thank you!

A reminder of school times are below:

Nursery	8.30am – 11.30am	12.00pm – 3.00pm
Reception	8.45am - 3.00pm	
Yr 1	8.40am - 3.05pm	
Yr 2	8.40am - 3.05pm	
Yr 3	8.35am - 3.05pm	
Yr 4	8.35am – 3.05pm	
Yrs 5 & 6	8.30am - 3.05pm	
Butterflies	7.30am – 5.30pm	

Punctuality is very important and children don't like going into their class late as they miss out on their learning so please try hard to get to school on time.

Staffing

Congratulations to Miss Robinson who was married during the summer and will be known as Mrs Bell when she returns from maternity leave.

Staff currently on maternity leave are – Mrs Bell (formerly known as Miss Robinson), Mrs Rowland (Teacher), Miss Proudman-Brown (Deputy Team Leader Bailey's Butterflies), Miss Howey (Bailey's Butterflies TA) and Miss Dawson (TA in school).

Miss Gallon Year 1 Teacher will start her maternity leave in October and Miss Harvey will teach the Year 1 class. She has currently been teaching alongside Miss Gallon.

Congratulations to Mrs Moat who is expecting her first child and will start her maternity leave in December.

Mrs Close has started her new role as Assistant Headteacher, working alongside myself and Mrs Morgan Deputy Head.

Please have a look on our school website to see all of our school and nursery staff.

Attendance

We aim for all children to have excellent attendance at Bailey Green. There is a clear link between attendance and academic progress and achievement. We would like all children to aim for an attendance of between 95 - 100% in order to achieve their full potential in school. I really want to work towards excellent attendance this year so please try hard to have your children in school unless they are too ill to attend.

If your child is poorly and unable to attend school, we ask that you call the absence line on 0191 2509025 or report it on ParentApp before 8.45am on each day of their absence. If your child is off with a sickness and diarrhoea bug they will be required to stay off school for 48 hours after the last bout.

If you can, please avoid making any medical appointments during the school day.

Uniform

We expect all children to wear school uniform and school shoes, NO trainers! We are beginning to build up a supply of used uniform in school and Baileys Butterflies. If you need support please get in touch.

We do not allow extreme hairstyles, shaved heads or dyed hair. We do ask for no bright coloured nail polish to be worn in school. Earrings must be studs only, and your child must be able to remove them or put a plaster over for PE lessons.

Clubs

We will be sending letters out very soon for any clubs that will be available for your children. The list will then be published on our school website.

Holiday Club

Mr Harrison led our summer clubs for KS1 and KS2 children during the school holidays. This went really well and the parent feedback was very positive.

Wrap Around Care

Breakfast Club is open from 7.45am – 8.30am, the gates are open from 7.45am – 8.00am
After School Club closes at 5.30pm.

ALL sessions must be booked and paid for in advance using Scopay, unless you pay by childcare vouchers, then this must be sent when a session is booked through the main school office. We do understand that circumstances may arise where a session will need to be booked in on the day, therefore we can allow this if it is an emergency. We do not use private providers for our wrap around care, we have our own school staff whom the children know.

We do not want to be chasing payments owed as unfortunately we are not in a position to run our wrap around care on unpaid costs. As you can appreciate we have staffing, bills and food costs to cover, therefore we can no longer allow any accounts to go into debt.

The prices are:

Breakfast Club	7.45 am – 8.30 am (gate closes promptly at 8.00am)
After School Club	3.00pm – 5.30 pm

A set amount for each session is charged:

Breakfast Club	7.45am	£2.00 includes toast or cereal and a drink.
After School	3.00pm – 4.00pm	£5.00 (no snack)
	4.00pm – 5.30pm	£7.00 (with snack at 4.30pm)

Reception parents should have all received a unique login to get signed up. If you have not yet received the code please get in touch with the school office.

The telephone number for After School Club is: 07470429551

Medical Information

If your child has an inhaler or epi-pen, you do need to complete and return the new medical form. You can request a form by emailing the school office, this is not available to download on the website.

Holidays

Any holidays taken during school time will not be authorised. Although we do not encourage holidays during term time, if you do plan to have a holiday during school time you must complete a leave of absence form.

You can get a copy of the form by emailing the school office at office@baileygreenprimary.org.uk

School Dinners

The menu is on our school website and the cost has increased to £2.60 per day. School meals continue to be free for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as part of Universal Free School Meals.

Parents/ Carers of children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who do not receive free benefit related free school meals, can pay for lunches using ParentPay. If you have any questions or queries about Parent Pay, please email parentpay@northynteside.gov.uk. Butterflies and Nursery children are still to pay for lunches as normal.

Snacks

KS1 children do not need to bring in a snack as they are provided with fruit and vegetables. KS2 children can bring in a healthy snack for playtime. A piece of fruit is a good choice.

Packed lunches

We do prefer children to have a 'hot school lunch', however if you are providing your child with a packed lunch, please try to give healthy choices e.g. sandwich, piece of fruit, yoghurt and vegetables. Cakes, biscuits and crisps are lovely, but please try to limit these and choose a healthier option.

Water

Your child is provided with water throughout the day to keep their bottle topped up. Children can bring in their own water bottle or we do sell them in school for £1.50. No juice please!

Halloween

We will not be dressing up in school this year with Halloween being in the half term holidays. We will be having other discos and events during the school year.

Pantomime

We are so excited to tell you we will be going to the Christmas Panto at Whitley Bay Playhouse this year on Tuesday 19th December. We will be taking children from Reception to Year 6. You will receive further information on this in due course.

Christmas

I will keep you updated on the plans for this.

Communication

Twitter

Now known as X. If you are wanting to follow us on X you must inform us who your child is in your request.

Facebook

You must answer all of the security questions before we will accept your request.

Email

The school email address is office@baileygreenprimary.org.uk. We will try our hardest to answer your email during the same day. If your query is urgent I would advise you to call the school office on 0191 2509025.

Parentapp

It is very important that you keep a constant check on parentapp as this is where all communication will be sent. You can set up notifications on your phone so that you don't miss any letters, messages etc.

Parents Evening

We will be holding parent's evenings week commencing Monday 9th October. These will be held face to face in school, but if you would prefer a telephone call that is absolutely fine. All parent evening invites will go through Parentapp, and we will let you know when they are available to book.

Parent Lunches

You are invited to join your child for lunch in the dining hall. Parent lunch will run from 12.45pm – 1.15pm, we do encourage your child to stay for a school dinner and not a packed lunch on these days. The cost of the parent lunch is £3.65 per person. The dates can be subject to change but class letters will be sent out to remind you. Parents will need to book in advance so our kitchen know how many parents to expect. You will need to book this via Scopay.

Thursday 21 st September	5AR
Thursday 5 th October	5J
Thursday 26 th October	6F
Thursday 16 th November	6M
Thursday 30 th November	3P
Thursday 11 th January	3H
Thursday 25 th January	1G
Thursday 8 th February	1RG
Thursday 29 th February	RM
Thursday 14 th March	RW
Thursday 18 th April	4NO
Thursday 2 nd May	4Y
Thursday 6 th June	2LA
Thursday 20 th June	2C

Please arrive promptly at 12.45pm

Class Assemblies

We look forward to welcoming you all into the main school hall for a class assembly. Please line up outside the 'welcome doors'. Assembly begins at 9am prompt. The assembly will finish approximately 9.45am. The dates can be subject to change at short notice but we would let you know asap. Please see the scheduled times below:

Friday 20 th October	4NO Harvest Assembly
Friday 24 th November	2C
Friday 1 st December	5J
Friday 19 th January	5AR
Friday 2 nd February	4Y
Friday 16 th February	3H
Friday 8 th March	3P
Friday 22 nd March	2A
Friday 26 th April	1RG
Friday 10 th May	RM
Friday 24 th May	1G
Friday 14 th June	RW

Year 6 will be the leavers assembly, therefore more information will go out regarding this closer to the time.

Look and Learn

This is a brilliant opportunity to come into school and look at your child's book with your children. The dates we have organised so far are below, the rest will be arranged and sent out on the parent app.

Tuesday 21 st November	6F Please arrive at 9am prompt
Thursday 23 rd November	6M Please arrive at 9am prompt

Children in Need

Children can come to school wearing their pyjamas on **Friday 17th November** to support 'Children in Need'. You can make a donation using Scopay, this will be available to view and pay from Monday 7th November. This is set to £1 but you can select more than 1 if you wish to donate more than £1. Bailey's Butterflies parents can make a cash donation, a collection bucket will be in the main entrance.

Bailey's Butterflies Joining in Time

You will be invited in to a joining in time with your child 10.00am – 11.00am, further information will follow from your child's teacher. The dates can be subject to change at short notice but we would let you know asap.

Tuesday 5 th December	10am – 11am
Wednesday 6 th December	10am – 11am
Thursday 7 th December	10am – 11am

Swimming

Year 3 parents should have received a letter regarding swimming which starts on Tuesday 12th September. Please remember to bring in your swimming kits on the swimming days.

Arts Mark and Music Mark

We are delighted to inform you that we have received the 'Arts mark' and 'Music Mark' during the summer holidays. We are going to work to achieve the Primary Science Quality Mark next.

Healthy School Award

Bailey Green has always held the Healthy School Award. As a school we really value this award as we believe that being healthy both mentally and physically helps us learn and enjoy life. We will be submitting our application during the Autumn term, so watch this space for more information.

FOBG

I am meeting with the Friends of Bailey Green to organise this year's events. If you would like to join us we are meeting in the school hall on Friday 22nd September at 3.15pm. Please come and support us.

I'm looking forward to working with you this term and if you have any concerns please drop an email to the office and I will get back to you.

Staff Christmas Night Out

As a treat to my staff who work so hard After School Club will not be running on **Thursday 14th December** as it is our Christmas night out, this is to allow all members of staff to attend our Christmas party. In the past certain members of staff have had to miss out due to staying behind for after school club. Bailey's Butterflies will close at 4.30pm.

Kind Regards

Mrs L R Taylor
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Thursday 21 st September	5AR Parent Lunch
Thursday 5 th October	5J Parent Lunch
w/c Monday 9 th October	Parent Consultation Evening
Friday 20 th October	4NO Harvest Assembly
Thursday 26 th October	6F Parent Lunch
Thursday 16 th November	6M Parent Lunch
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 21 st November	6F Look and Learn 9am
Thursday 23 rd November	6M Look and Learn 9am
Friday 24 th November	2C Class Assembly
Thursday 30 th November	3P Parent Lunch
Friday 1 st December	5J Class Assembly
Tuesday 7 th December	Sunflowers and Daisies joining in time
Wednesday 8 th December	Bluebells and Buttercups joining in time
Thursday 9 th December	Poppies and Snowdrops joining in time
Thursday 14 th December	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Panto at Whitley Bay Playhouse Rec – Year 6
Thursday 11 th January	3H Parent Lunch
Friday 19 th January	5AR Class Assembly
Thursday 25 th January	1G Parent Lunch
Friday 2 nd February	4Y Class Assembly
Thursday 8 th February	1RG Parent Lunch
Friday 16 th February	3H Class Assembly
Thursday 29 th February	RM Parent Lunch
Friday 8 th March	3P Class Assembly
Thursday 14 th March	RW Parent Lunch
Thursday 18 th April	4NO Parent Lunch
Friday 22 nd March	2A Class Assembly
Friday 26 th April	1RG Class Assembly
Thursday 2 nd May	4Y Parent Lunch
Friday 10 th May	RM Class Assembly
Friday 24 th May	1G Class Assembly
Thursday 6 th June	2LA Parent Lunch
Friday 14 th June	RW Class Assembly
Thursday 20 th June	2C Parent Lunch