

A very warm welcome back to school for the new academic year. I do hope you had an amazing break and enjoyed the sunshine! Also, a huge welcome to all the new families joining us, I look forward to getting to know you all in the coming weeks.

Updates, information and reminders for September

Head Ambassadors

Huge congratulations again to all our new Y6 ambassadors for this year! Freddie and Freya are our new school Head Ambassadors and I know that they will carry out this responsibility with huge commitment. Malia, Laila, Zara and Cody are our new House Captains and again, I know they will represent their houses well. I am looking forward to working with them.

School Uniform

Our school uniform remains the same and I ask all parents to support us in ensuring that the children come to school wearing the correct clothes and shoes. If you are experiencing any difficulties with sourcing uniform, please come into The Shop where we have a wide range of free, very good quality, used items in stock. The Shop is open Tuesday and Friday mornings from 8:30am.

Jewellery & Hair (a few nagging reminders!)

For Health & Safety reasons, children should not wear any jewellery to school, except stud earrings and/or a watch. Any rings, necklaces and bracelets will be asked to be removed. All long hair needs to be tied back every day! This is to help prevent headlice spreading and enable children to work without their hair causing them an issue. Could I also remind parents that makeup is not appropriate to be worn to school. This also includes nail varnish.

PE Days

As it works so well, we will continue this year with the children wearing their PE kit to school on the day that they have PE. These days are as follows:

MONDAY – Y1 (Sapphire) & Y2 (Aquamarine)

TUESDAY – Reception (Ruby)

WEDNESDAY – Y5 & Y6 (Amethyst, Quartz & Magnetite)

THURSDAY – Y4 (Malachite)

FRIDAY – Y3 (Emerald)

Parent Governors

We are currently looking for 2 parent governors to join our Local Governing Body. This is a rewarding role, and you can help to shape the future of our school. Mr Neil Finch is the newly appointed chairperson and I know he would be happy to answer any questions or queries that you may have. Watch out for the letter and form coming home soon!

No FISH or NUTS in lunchboxes

We thank you for continuing to observe our 'NO NUT' policy and would ask that, due to children with severe allergies, NO FISH is to be brought into school in packed lunches too.

Attendance and school absence

Our whole school figure for persistent absence (pupils with attendance below 90%) last year was very high. This was well above the Government's expectation for primary schools and as such, we will be monitoring this closely. A reminder that **from September holidays will not be authorised in school time and may incur a fixed penalty notice** Our Attendance Policy and parent information about attendance is available to read on our website. If you require further information please contact Mrs Boakes, in the school office.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Once again, we have a wide variety of clubs available after school. These will be published shortly with details of how to sign up for them with the days and times they are running.

Start and End of Day

Please note that the playground is UNSUPERVISED prior to 8:30am for any children that are early to arrive. If your child in Year 5 wishes to walk home independently, please email office@becclesacademy.org with permission.

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TERM DATES 2022-2023

Autumn Term 2022

1st September – 16th December

Children start Monday September 5th

Autumn Half Term

24th October – 28th October

Spring Term 2023

3rd January – 31st March

Children start Wednesday January 4th

Spring Half Term

13th February – 17th February

Summer Term 2023

17th April – 21st July

Children start Tuesday April 18th

Summer Half Term

29th May – 2nd June

PD Days

1st & 2nd September 2022

21st October 2022

3rd January 2023

20th February 2023

17th April 2023

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September

5th Autumn Term 1 starts

14th School photographs

21st Parent Course – Fun with Food

28th Parent Course – Fun with Food

30th Macmillan Coffee Morning

October

3rd Governor visits to school

5th Parent Course – Fun with Food

10th World Mental Health Day

10th LGB Meeting @4:30PM

12th Parent Course – Fun with Food

17 – 19 Pupil Progress Parent Meetings

18th Flu Vaccinations – whole school

21st **P D DAY**

24th – 28th **HALF TERM**

31st Autumn Term 2 starts

November

December

12th LGB Meeting @4:30pm

16th **End of Autumn Term**

More dates to follow ...

School Uniform 2022 – 2023

Beccles Primary uniform can be ordered directly from

www.screensschoolwear.co.uk

Red sweatshirt or cardigan

White polo shirt / white shirt

School Tie – Year 6 only (*provided by school*)

Black or Grey skirt or trousers

(*No jersey or lycra*)

Plain black shoes (no trainers)

PE Kit

House colour T shirt

Black shorts

Black Jogging bottoms / leggings

Black hoodie or sweatshirt