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**School**  
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## Welcome Back!



A very warm welcome to you all, at the start of this new school year. It has been an incredibly busy two weeks! The children have settled back into school life really quickly after the summer and it has been lovely to see so many smiling faces and children eager to tell me what they have been doing in their new classes.

As well as myself in a new role for this year, we welcome Ms Burroughs as our acting Deputy Headteacher and Saturn class teacher. Also Miss Drayton in Mars class and Mr Cooper in Venus, who is joining us this year on an ITT programme, as part of our commitment to training future generations of teachers.

Thank you as always to you, for all the support that you give to the school in the work that we do. A strong partnership between home and school is vital in securing the best possible education for our children and at Barlby Bridge, together we make a strong and successful team!

Our door is always open and we are always happy to help, so if there are ever any problems or concerns please do not hesitate to pop in to speak to us. I will always try to be out and about at the beginning of the school day if there is anything that I can help with or if you want to come over for a chat.

Lastly, may I add that I have really enjoyed my time here in my first year with you all. I am greatly looking forward to the year ahead and I am immensely proud to fulfil the role of Headteacher in Mrs Hughes' absence. **Mr Dyer**

## School Uniform

The children are all looking extremely smart in their new school uniforms; thank you for supporting our uniform policy. Whilst we do allow children to wear plain black trainers, these must not have bright coloured laces, logos or bright soles. I would like to also take this opportunity to remind parents that only plain black or white T-Shirts should be worn for PE. Children are not allowed to wear logoed T-Shirts or football shirts. The full uniform policy can be found in the school Prospectus, which can be downloaded from the school website. A paper copy of this can also be requested from the school office.

## Gates

As we now offer wrap around care after school, and in order to maintain the safety of all our pupils, there will be some changes to how children will be released after attending after school clubs.

The gates to the playground will be locked and on completion of their club, children will be taken to the main entrance and can be collected there. Thank you for your assistance in this matter

## Wrap Around Care News



Our new breakfast and after school clubs are up and running and are proving to be very popular. A wide range of activities are planned for including science scavenger hunts, parachute and dance games, sock puppets and lots of creative and messy activities! The children are always very busy having lots of fun. There will soon be a naming competition in school for children to enter, to link it with its space themed venue!

**India:** "I like the club because we play games and do different things every time."

**Caitlin:** "I like the club because it's fun and we do lots of creative fun stuff and we have snacks as well."

**Oliver:** "I love playing with the building blocks and making different craft things."

Please see the school office if you would like to book a place.

## Important Dates for your Diary

<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	School Opens
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Swimming Starts – Saturn Class (Year 5)
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Reception New Starters Assembly with Year 6
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Non Uniform Day- Candlelighters
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Venus (Year 1) Class Assembly
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Year 3 Visit to York Synagogue
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Whole School Open Morning (first hour of the day)
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Harvest Festival at Selby Abbey 9.30am
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Earth Class Assembly
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Good Work Invitation Assembly
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	School Closes for Half term

## Medicines

Just a reminder that medicines must not be sent into school with your child. In circumstances where your child is prescribed antibiotics that are administered more than 3 times a day, please inform the school office and arrangements can be made.

## Key Stage One Area

A big project from last year has been finished over the summer. The Key Stage One outdoor area is finally completed and looks fabulous! Thanks to our amazing FoBBs group and all the fundraising that they do for school, and the volunteers and donations that we received! As you can see it is now an excellent learning environment that will enhance the teaching provision for children in KS1 as well as providing a place for peace and reflection.



## September Fundraising



We are very grateful for the support that you always give to the fundraising in school. Often these charities are chosen by the children and the school council or have a particular connection to members of our school community.

This month we will be raising awareness of Children's Cancer and will be holding a non-uniform day on the 29th September in order to raise funds for Candlelighters- the local charity that supports children and their families.

Look out for more information about this and other fundraising events.

## Congratulations on a New Arrival!

It is with great pleasure that I inform you that during the summer, Mrs Hughes has celebrated the birth of her baby, George (below).

Mum and baby are both doing really well and it has been lovely to see them both this week when they visited us in school. The children were really excited as they went on a tour of the classes. I have passed on all your well wishes and look forward to seeing them both again soon.



new baby boy