
Friday Update

It has been a very busy week here at Balliol and we are so proud of how the children have settled into their new routines.

Look out for a photo summary of the first week back on our Facebook page.

School Meals

Our new school meals service is going well, the food is really tasty and the children are loving the new choices.

Thank you to those that have activated their parentpay accounts – you do need to do this even if your child does not pay for meals – it will not charge you for free meals. It will also mean that you are able to order meals at home if you would like to and also that you will be able to see that your child has had a meal.

Next week, we will have a parent tasting session on the playground...please see the poster with this update.

We encourage all children in Year Reception, year 1 and year 2 to have a school meal, they are free and there is plenty of choice for them.

If you have any questions about the meals, please come and speak to us.

Communication

If you need to speak to a class teacher, please continue to use class emails to do this, all classes have the same format using the class name at the beginning:
classname@balliolschool.co.uk.

The beginning and end of the school day can be very busy and it is not always possible to speak to class teachers at these points. You are also able to call the school office and leave a message and the class teacher will return your call.

Many of the messages for parents are sent via email or the school app, please make sure that you download this.

If you change your mobile number, please make sure that you inform the school office so that we are able to contact you.

Uniform

A huge well done to all this week, the uniform across the school has been very good including PE Kits – thank you for your support with this.



Attendance

Another well done for attendance this week which has been a great start. Please remember that all children are expected to be in school every day. If your child is not well enough to be in school, you must contact the school office and let us know.

Leave of Absence during term time

Good attendance is essential if children are to make good progress in their learning. Term time holidays can have a detrimental effect on a child's educational achievement if coupled with unavoidable absences such as illness. Children's attendance should be in line with expectations of 96% or above.

We do not authorise term time holidays and all absences for this will be recorded as unauthorised and may be subject to a fine.

If you have any questions or queries, please email the school office office@balliolschool.co.uk