



Masefield Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful summer break.

Our school year began for staff on Monday with a training day themed *"Looking Back, Looking Forwards: Delivering Excellence."* We celebrated the many successes of last year and focused on safeguarding, personal development, behaviour, and school culture. It was also a pleasure to welcome new colleagues to the Masefield family.

This morning, it was fantastic to see so many smiling faces as children returned through the school gates and at breakfast club. As I walked around the classrooms today, I was reminded once again of the privilege I have in leading such an inspiring school. Our children were engaged, enthusiastic, and clearly delighted to be back.

For some families, today marked the beginning of a very special journey as children joined our Reception class. I appreciate that this can feel like a big step for both children and parents, but please be assured that our Early Years staff will warmly welcome your child, help them feel safe, and support their development with care and dedication.

Attendance will remain a priority this year, with our target set at 96%. This allows for no more than 5 days of absence across the school year. Thank you to the many parents and carers who already ensure that their children attend regularly — your commitment makes a real difference to their learning and progress. More information on attendance will be sent this week.

A few important reminders as we begin the new term:

- **Behaviour** – We will be sending out the Masefield Way (our behaviour curriculum) expectations today. Please speak to your child about this.
- **Leadership Updates** – We are pleased to share some changes in our school leadership:
 - Mrs Clark is now our **EYFS Lead and SENCO**.
 - Mrs Walton has been promoted to **Assistant Headteacher** and will lead **Years 1–3**.
 - Miss Tyrer, **Assistant Headteacher**, will lead **Years 4–6**.
- **Nut-Free School** – Due to severe allergies, we are a nut-free school. Please ensure no snacks or packed lunch items contain nuts.
- **Healthy Snacks** – As a Healthy School, we ask that children bring nutritious snacks to support our commitment to wellbeing.

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- **Events Overview** – A calendar of school events for 2025–26 will be shared shortly and will also be available on our website throughout the year. We hope this helps more families join us in celebrating children's learning.
- **Curriculum Overviews** – On Friday, you will receive your child's curriculum overview for Autumn 1 along with Knowledge Organisers for each subject. These will help you support learning at home.
- **Medical Needs** – Please inform your child's class teacher or the school office of any medical needs so that we can ensure our records are accurate and up to date.
- **Uniform** – Please make sure children return in full school uniform, including black shoes (no trainers or joggers). Setting high expectations in appearance supports high standards across school life. PE kits must be in school so that pupils can take part in lessons.

Uniform expectations:

Girl's Uniform	Boy's Uniform	PE Kit - Outdoors	PE Kit - Indoors
Red polo t-shirt	Red Polo Shirt	White t-shirt	White t-shirt
Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers	Navy Blue sweatshirt (inc logo)	Black shorts	Black shorts
Red or Blue Gingham dress	Grey trousers or shorts	White socks	White socks
Navy Blue sweatshirt or cardigan (inc logo)	Black shoes (not trainers)	Trainers/black pumps	Black pumps
White or grey socks/tights		Tracksuit top/sweatshirt	
Black shoes (flat, not trainers)		Tracksuit bottoms	
Reasonable size hair bows/bands – Blue, red, black or white. Hair tied up. Gingham is acceptable as long as it is in school colours.			

During the year, I will share updates with you via our newsletter and I am very much looking forward to our work together over the coming months and years.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

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