

Brambles Bulletin September 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

The staff and I hope you all had a fantastic summer and it has been great to get the children back into the academy. Again, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during the summer term and moving forwards this year.

Last year we had many wonderful experiences and events for our children and the end of year outcomes were fantastic and show that our children are making brilliant progress. I would also like to send our best wishes to last years Year 6 pupils who have embarked on their Secondary School Career!

I would also like to welcome new members of staff to the academy: Miss Haggath (Reception) and Miss Elliott (EYFS).

As always, we look forward to working with you and would like to remind you that we are available both at the start and end of the school day, should you have any questions. Communication will continue to take place with yourselves via letters, website, Facebook, Twitter and Class Dojo.

Kind regards Mr Mayle and Staff

Key Dates for Autumn 1 Half Term

19th September- Y5/6 Girls Football

20th September- Y5/6 Boys Football

24th September- Cross Country competition Y3/4 and Y5/6

Friday 27th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 27th September: Year 6 Trip to Ninja Warrior

Tuesday 1st October: Year 5 Trip to Stewart's Park

Thursday 3rd October: Year 3 Trip to Kildale Estate

Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th October: Parent Open Evening

Tuesday 22nd October: Choir at Guisborough Harvest Festival

Wednesday 23rd October: Autumn Disco

Half term begins on Friday 25th October and pupils return on Monday 4th November.

The Academy Day

The academy day begins at 8.30am (doors open at 8.00 am for breakfast club) and ends at 3.00pm for children in Reception and Key Stage 1 and 3.05pm for Key Stage 2.

Morning Nursery and our 2 year old provision runs from 8.30am (flexible drop off time from 8.30am - 8.45am) until 11.30am. Afternoon Nursery runs from 12.15pm until 3.15pm (flexible pick up time from 3.00pm - 3.15pm).

Children who attend Nursery for 30 hour provision will attend full days Monday to Thursday and then Friday morning session only finishing at 12.30.

Daily timings are as follows:

2 Year old provision 8.30am—11.30am

Nursery am: 8.30am—11.30am

Nursery pm: 12.15pm-3.15pm

Reception, Year 1 and 2: 8.30am—3.00pm

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6: 8.30am—3.05pm



Attendance

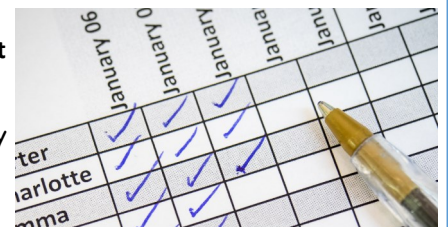
Good attendance at school is not just valuable, it's essential. Children who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and make less progress than their peers. It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. Please can you continue to support the academy by ensuring children have good attendance and are on time.

Attendance and punctuality will continue to be a key priority for Brambles Primary Academy this year. This year we will be continuing to reward the children for attendance through Class Dojo, which then allows the children to choose prizes when they reach benchmark numbers of points.

Please can we remind all parents that if you take your child on holiday during term time then a leave of absence form must be completed. The 'working together to improve school attendance' DFE guidance supports schools with attendance and states the following:

'As head teachers should only grant a leave of absence in exceptional circumstances it is unlikely a leave of absence will be granted for the purpose of a family holiday.'

Therefore, if you choose to take your child out of the academy for a family holiday this may be unauthorised and may lead to a fixed penalty fine.



P.E Kit

Please ensure children have appropriate P.E kit. This is as follows: A white -shirt, black plimsolls/ trainers and either navy blue or black shorts. These can be worn for the whole day on the day they have PE.

Monday: Year 3

Tuesday: Year 4

Wednesday: Nursery and Year 2

Thursday: Year 1 and Year 5

Friday: Reception and Year 6

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will run from 8.00am until 8.30am Monday to Friday. If you are interested in a place please contact the academy and ask to speak to Ms Walker.



Wrap around care

We will be continuing an after school wrap around care club that will run from 3.00pm or 3.05pm (depending on year group) until 4.00pm Monday to Thursday.

This offer is to support those parents who are either in employment or full time education and places can be applied for through Keri Beever.

After School Clubs

This term after school clubs will start from the week beginning **16th September** for six weeks.

Tuesday: Athletics Year 5 and 6, Cooking Year 1, Karaoke Year 5 and 6, Science Year 3 and 4.

Wednesday: Arts and Crafts Year 2.

Thursday: Drawing Club Year 3 and 4, Arts and Crafts Year 3 and 4.

Friday: Cross Country KS2.

Uniform

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- Navy blue cardigan or jumper
- Pale blue shirt, blouse or polo shirt
- Black or grey trousers/skirt/pinafore or
- Blue and grey tartan skirt/pinafore (contact Lollipops)
- Plain ankle or knee length socks or plain tights
- Blue or white checked or striped summer dresses may be worn in the summer months

Shoes

- Flat, black school shoes. No trainers or heellies.
- **If children wish to play football on the field at break time/lunchtime they must bring a change of footwear.**
- In the summer, children may wear flat supportive sandals with socks. They should be black, white or navy

Hair

- Hair should not be dyed or cut into extreme styles.

Nail Varnish

- Nail varnish is not permitted in school for health and safety reasons, if a child has nail varnish on from the weekend or holidays we can provide facilities to remove it.

Should any parents be struggling to buy uniform please contact the Pastoral Team via the school office for support .

Reading and homework



All children should have a book bag and books are checked daily and changed on a regular basis.

Please ensure that you update your child's reading record as

they read so that we can reward them in the academy for their efforts.

The academy have purchased a range of books and these will be used as a reward for children who read 50 times this term.

Homework will be given out to pupils on Mondays. This could be a paper activity or using a variety of learning platforms including Timestable Rockstars. Please support your child with completing these homework tasks by Friday as these tasks will support your child's learning.

School Dinners

Where school dinners are paid for, this year the cost is £12 per week. The cost should be paid on a Monday for the week ahead and can be paid either by cash directly to the office staff or via SchoolComms.

Likewise any Educational Trips which require a contribution can also be paid via SchoolComms or through cash to the office.

Any questions please ask the office staff.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Last year, we were overwhelmed by the support parents and carers gave to raise funds for Macmillan Nurses.

As an academy we would like to support this good cause by hosting a coffee morning on Friday 27th September where money raised will go to Macmillan Nurses.

More information will follow regarding specific timings and how you can help.

