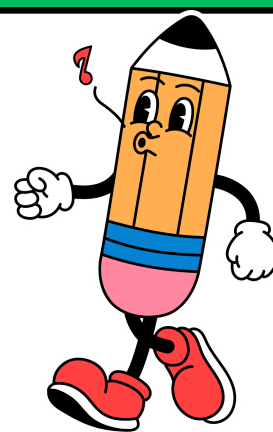


BAINSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL AUGUST 2026 *newsletter*



Dear Parent/Carer

And so a new school year begins. Six weeks of summer seem far behind us and once more we are marching through the new term. From all accounts the children appear to have had a very enjoyable break – hope we can say the same for you too. Anyway it is good to be back and I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome new parents to school and look forward to forming a good working relationship/partnership with you.

End of term

We had a lovely Leavers' Assembly from our P7 pupils, full of emotion and love as they moved on to S1

Classes for this session

PIW Miss Waugh

PIK Miss Kemp

P2 Mrs Howie

P3 Miss Anderson

P4 Mr Deed

P5 Miss Dewar

P6 Miss McPhie

P7 Mrs Hourigan

Nursery: Mr Chrisite, Miss McKerracher, Mrs Taylor, Miss Welsh, Mrs Allan, Mrs Rennie, Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Britcliffe, Ms Lees & Ms Coffield

EP Mrs Hooks

ASNT Miss Buick

RCCT/ES Mrs Fuentes





PE

Children can come to school in their PE kit for gym days or change in school but this needs to be inline with school uniform guidance—school polo shirt/school t-shirt, dark joggers/shorts/leggings, school sweatshirt. Clothing does not have to have the school logo but it should still be uniform.

Logo

The BPS school and nursery logo are copyright to the school and only Border Embroideries have permission to replicate it. Any third parties replicating our logo are in breach of copyright.

Buddies

P6 buddying is going very well for our PIs. They look after the PIs in the dining hall and help them play in the playground.

Nut and Egg Allergies

Parents have been in touch to let us know their children have either nut or egg allergies.

As I'm sure you know these can be very dangerous. Please do not send snack or lunch foods containing eggs or nuts to school to help us keep these children safe

Head Lice

This is an ongoing problem in many communities. We ask that all parents check their children's heads regularly.

We will again this session have 'Bug Busting' days when all parents check their children's heads on the same day, this should help combat re-infestations.

IPAY

Please register for this service, it will allow all online lunch ordering to take place and to pay for upcoming school trips. Even if you don't pay for lunches you should still register your account.

School Lunches

P1-5 are entitled to a universal free school lunch. Families should still register as FME if your child would normally be entitled. Government funding to the school is based on FME so it is really important you continue to register.

Office Hours

The school office is normally manned 8.45-11.45 & 12.15-3.30. Please be patient at the door if there is no-one in the office. If phoning please leave a message on the answering machine.





Treats and gifts

We love celebrating our children's birthdays and making them feel special! However, to ensure a safe, healthy, and inclusive environment for everyone, we kindly ask that families do not send in sweets, cakes, party bags, or birthday invitations to distribute at school.

Many children have dietary needs or allergies, and not all children may be able to enjoy the same treats. Distributing party bags or invitations in class can also unintentionally leave some children feeling excluded or put other families under pressure to reciprocate. Instead, teachers will continue to acknowledge birthdays in a fun and thoughtful way during the school day.

...and finally

And so we settle in for a new term and a new year at school. Good communication between home and school is an important aspect of the education process. We will contact you by email in the first instance so please check we have a current email address.

We will use Groupcall text when it is something important and telephone you if it is an emergency so again please ensure the office has current mobile numbers. Please ensure your child is at school everyday unless really poorly, please avoid family holidays during term time.

We look forward to a successful 2026-2027 session.

For info

Pastoral Care Nursery-P3—Mrs McCafferty

Pastoral Care P4-7 and EP—Mrs Graham

Thank you as always for your continued support

Mrs McCafferty

Headteacher

Dates for the diary



26th August—EP Outdoor Activity Day

28th August - Parents are invited in at 2.15pm to Meet the Teacher.

7th September—Holiday—school and nursery closed

10th September—Tempest photographer in for individual/family photos

24th September—Open Morning for parents –9.30-10.15—Come and join the learning in class!

2nd October—P1-7 trip to Riverside Museum—details to follow

T.O.T.S. Talk (Time, Opportunity, Trust, Space)

The Early Years Staff would like to welcome everyone back to nursery. It's lovely to see all the children settling quickly into the nursery routines and we welcome all our new children. We look forward to a very busy term ahead and are very excited about some of the things we will be doing. We will keep you updated on what's happening in the Nursery through this newsletter, email and telephone. However, we will also update Tapestry frequently so keep an eye on this too!

Staffing is as follows

Mrs McCaiferty Headteacher
Mrs Graham Principal Teacher
Mr Christie Acting Senior Early Years Officer
Mrs Rennie Early Years Officer (Mon-Wed)
Mrs Lawrence Early Years Officer (Thurs-Fri)
Mrs Taylor Early Years Officer
Miss McKerracher Early Years Officer
Mrs Allan Early Years Officer
Miss Welsh Early Years Officer
Mrs Britcliffe Support for Learning Assistant
Ms Lees Early Years Assistant
Ms Coffield Early Years Assistant

Just to remind you the nursery opening times are 8.45-2.45

Everyday we encourage the children to go outside no matter what the weather, only perhaps when it is very heavy rain will outside play not always be available. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play with jackets, wellingtons (if necessary) and in the colder weather, hats, scarves and gloves.

We do not permit the use of mobile phones in the nursery. If a call is important please step outside.

Could we please remind you to ensure that your child's name is on all items of clothing and on shoes. This saves any confusion or lost items.

Please telephone the school office on 01324 508530 if you need to speak to a member of the team or if you have any questions. We will likely call you back after the nursery day is over.

The Nursery Team

