



Masefield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a great summer break. The term started for staff on Monday where we spent the day focusing on looking back, looking forwards: Delivering Excellence. We celebrated our successes from the previous years and spent time focusing on safeguarding, personal development, behaviour and culture. It was also a great opportunity to welcome all of our new members of staff joining our Lea Forest family.

It was really fantastic to welcome children back to school this morning. Seeing happy and excited parents and children at breakfast club and walking through the gates from 8.40am was a wonderful sight. As I walked around school during the day, it was brilliant to see our children actively engaged in their learning and generally delighted to be back to business. It also reminded me, being back amongst staff and children, what an amazing school I have the privilege to lead.

Today our children joined their peers and new teachers in school. For some parents, I am sure they will feel apprehensive as their child joins the reception class – please rest assured that our Early Years staff will welcome your child, make them feel safe and do the very best that they can to support their development.

Attendance will be a continued focus this year as we have a 96% target to achieve. This only allows up to 5 days of absence in the school year. There have been new guidance from the government on 'School attendance and penalty notices' – a copy of this will be sent this week.

A big thank you to the majority of parents/carers who make sure their children attend school regularly.

Keep-up the great work and ensure that children are not missing out on learning opportunities.

Nut Free School – Due to a number of staff and pupils with severe nut allergies, we are a nut free school. Please do not send snacks in that contain nuts.

Healthy Snack – We are a healthy school; please send healthy snack to help us promote this mission!

Events Overview – You will be sent an events overview for the academic year 2024-25. We hope this will enable more parents/carers to see their child's learning in action. This will be available on our website to view throughout the year.

Curriculum Overviews – on Friday, you will receive a curriculum overview for the Autumn 1 term along with Knowledge Organisers for each subject. These resources will support your child with their learning.



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Medical Needs – as we start the new academic year, please inform the class teacher or office of any medical needs your child has. We are updating all records and want to ensure we have the correct information.

Uniform – please ensure all pupils return to school in their full school uniform including black shoes – no joggers or trainers. It's important we set high expectations for our pupils in all areas of school life. PE Kit must be in school or children cannot join in with PE lessons.

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.

Thanks you for your continued support,

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