



Blackbrook School

Aspiration Fairness Kindness Responsibility Teamwork

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Monday 8th September 2025

Welcome to Year 1

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome both you and your children back to school and hope that you have all had a wonderful summer holiday. The children have begun to settle well into the start of this new academic year.

We thought it would be useful for you to have a few organisational notes as your child starts in Class 1. Mrs Kramer will be in class every Monday, Tuesday and Friday and Miss Bowles Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs Wood will be in class all week except Friday pm.

Mornings

The children are doing a great job entering the classroom independently and seem to have settled quickly into school following the holiday. Please continue to support the children in placing their own lunch box and water bottle on the trolley and entering the classroom independently. Please children take out any playtime snack from their bookbags at the start of the day as they come into class. These can be placed into the snack basket.

Book bags:

Please can children bring their book bags every day, including their reading folder. Bookbags will not be checked daily so please can any notes or letters be taken out and handed to an adult in class. Can we also request that children don't bring a backpack into school with them as we simply do not have the room in the cloakroom to accommodate them.

Water and Fruit/Snack:

Children only need to have one piece/pot of fruit or single cereal bar. Some children are bringing large snacks that take them most of playtime to finish and then means they eat less of their lunch. Please remember to provide your child with a **named** water bottle.

PE:

This half term P.E. will take place each Wednesday. Please can you ensure that children have **named** PE kits, these can stay in school. They will need daps/trainers. Please ensure that children have PE clothes for all weather conditions.

This year we would like to ask that you provide an oversize shirt/t-shirt to be kept on your child's peg for when we do art or other messy activities. These can stay in school. Children will also need a coat in school, especially with the unpredictable weather at the moment.

Children will also need **named** wellies in school. These can be placed on the trolley outside the classroom. These will be needed when the weather gets wetter to enable them play on the field during play and lunch times. Please can these stay in school. Please ensure that all items of indoor and outdoor clothing are also **named**.

Toys

Please can you encourage your child not to bring any toys into school unless requested for show and tell or work linked to our topic.

Inhalers

If your child requires an inhaler to be in school please can you check we have one, that is in date and that an asthma care plan has been completed. We have some inhalers handed to us from last year; we will check the dates and let you know if you need to provide a new one. Please bear this in mind should your child's medical condition change throughout the year.

Reading and Spellings:

Reading: Children will begin to bring reading books home within the next week. These books will be changed each week, sometimes more than once, depending on the phonics group they are in. A separate letter will be sent home with more details. We ask that you **listen to your child read each day**; it really does support their learning. Please help us by signing the reading record each time your child reads. Adults will check reading folders to check they have read.

Spelling: Spellings will be taught on a Monday, and a spelling list will be sent home with your child. The following Monday we will have a chance for the children to show how well they have learnt their spellings with an informal test in their spelling books. These will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

Dojo

Dojo has now been set up with our new class. Please check that you are still signed up so we can get in touch if necessary and so we can share our learning with you.

Thank you so much for your continued support and please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any questions.

Best wishes,

Mrs K Kramer and Miss Bowles
Class Teachers