



Baston CE Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

17th July 2020

The end of the strangest academic year we have ever experienced is finally upon us and, on behalf of all of us here at Baston CE Primary School, I wish you all the very best for a long and relaxing summer break.

I would like to sincerely thank you all for your dedication, patience, home-schooling brilliance and social-distancing over the past few months - we have certainly appreciated your support and understanding throughout this difficult time.

You may be pleased to hear that we will not be setting any work for your child/ren over the summer holidays - we simply ask for you to have a lovely family time together (and perhaps keep up with just a little bit of daily reading)! You might also like to revisit the welcome video from your new teacher - they are already so looking forward to starting a fresh new year with you all! 😊

The children will tell you that I'm always nagging them about keeping themselves safe and so I feel that over the summer holidays a few online safety pointers may come in handy. This series is taken from CEOP and is updated fortnightly to provide some helpful activities: [#OnlineSafetyAtHome](#). I hope you find that it is useful.

We now have plans in place for all children to return to school on Thursday 3rd September. We have staggered pick up and drop off times as well as our playtimes and lunchtimes (see below). In line with government guidance the children will not be expected to maintain social distancing rules, however, adults to adults, and children to adults will. To this end, classroom tables will be arranged front facing with teachers teaching from the front of the class, at least 2m away from the front row of pupils. Arrangements will look slightly different in Foundation stage. We will provide some images once the rooms are set, shortly before school begins in September.

Pick up and drop off arrangements:

Year	Drop off between	Location	Pick up at	Location
R	8:50 - 9:05	Main Front Door	2pm until Friday 18 th Sept 3:15pm from 21 st Sept	Main Front Door
1 & 2	8:30 - 8:45	Green playground Gate (Right)	3:10pm	Green playground Gate (Right)
3 & 4	8:35 - 8:50	Y3/4 Fire Door	3:15pm	Y3/4 Fire Door
5 & 6	8:30 - 8:45	Y5/6 Fire Door	3:10pm	Y5/6 Fire Door

There will be clear signage showing you where to go on arrival.

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We would encourage older children to walk by themselves safely up the drive to school. No cars will be allowed on site without exception. If you feel this may cause you any difficulty please contact me via pupiladmin@baston.lincs.sch.uk. We ask parents and carers to park in the car park belonging to The Black Horse, or otherwise safely and considerately along the main road.

Siblings can come to school together at the same time as the oldest child and both children will be allowed entry to their classroom on arrival.

There will be no hot meals provided in the first half term. However, cold meals will be available from IDEAL HSM Ltd for all. You will need to order these via the usual online ordering system, which we believe will be available from the start of the summer holidays. The deadline for ordering meals has changed to midnight on a Sunday. Remember - meals need to be ordered at least one week in advance. Further details can be found on our website.

Children in Reception, Year One and Year Two will not have to pay for a meal but meals will still need to be ordered online. If your child is not going to have a meal provided we ask you to provide them with a packed lunch. This CAN come to school in a NAMED lunchbox. We ask ALL parents to provide a full, NAMED water bottle.

We have staggered our lunchtimes between 12pm and 2pm. This means that children in Key Stage Two eat their lunch between 1pm and 2pm. For this reason you may choose to send your child in with a good-sized snack (healthy options please) to keep them going over playtime.

Children in Reception and Key Stage1 will continue to have a piece of fresh fruit provided every day. We have organised different entry and exit points for each set of children and in order to maintain our 'bubbles' I am sorry to say that bicycles and scooters will not be permitted until January at the earliest due to the shared nature and location of their storage.

Your child will NOT need a forest school kit or PE kit on the first two days of school. Your child's class teacher will send home notification about when such items are required in school over the course of the first two days.

We plan to keep items traveling to and from school to an absolute minimum, so we will not be allowing children to bring rucksacks/pencil cases/toys etc in to school each day. It is our hope that at some point these items may be reintroduced, but this will certainly not be the case for the first half term at least. Activ8 will be up and running from Monday 7th September and further details will follow in due course. The online booking system will be ready for you to enter bookings from next week onwards.

If you have any queries or concerns, then please do email pupiladmin@baston.lincs.sch.uk. This inbox will not be checked daily, but will be checked intermittently over the break.

We have done our best to think ahead as to what school will look like in the new academic year, but we also know that national government guidance is always subject to change. Please do forgive us if some of the information included in this letter changes before our return.

In the meantime, have a super holiday and we really look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Kind regards
Rebecca Mills
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Headteacher