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Starting School in September

For many children starting school can be a very tiring experience even if they are used to going to Pre-School. This in turn can often cause them not to deal with situations as confidently as they normally would. To help give your child a positive start to their new school routine they will not start full days immediately but will build up gradually over a two-week period.

Dates	Met at gates for start	Collection at gates for end
Thursday 3 rd September 2020 or Friday 4 th September 2020 (which of these days is specified on email sent to you)	8.50am	12 noon
Monday 7 th September 2020 until Friday 11 th September	8.50am	1.30pm (this includes lunch)
Monday 14 th September 2020 Onwards full time	8.50am	3.10pm

Uniform

Children in Reception generally have a book bag and PE bag. We do not mind grey or black trousers, dresses or skirts. The polo top can be blue or white. The PE kit can be black shorts and a white t-shirt with daps or trainers. Please ensure that all clothes and bags are named. Many girls wear summer dresses in the hotter months.

If you go to the Blakeney School Website. Click on All About Us in the right-hand side. Click on About Us. [Select School Uniform](#). Log in to our school page. You will then see items for Blakeney that have the logo on. You can order through here. Alternatively, you can buy these items without the logo from a supermarket. This gives you an idea on the colour. The book bag is on this too.

Procedure

The children will be met at the gates. They will have their temperature taken and will walk in with Ms Davis and Ms Halstead. At the end of the session they are also to be collected from the school gates. As before please be prompt to prevent any unnecessary anxiety.

Snack

A full day will contain a morning break, lunch break and an afternoon playtime. The children are encouraged to bring fruit, vegetables, cheese or breadsticks for their healthy break. The children are provided with free fruit for their morning snack. On a Friday the children may bring in a unhealthy snack of their choosing. Free fruit will still be provided on Friday too. Children are provided with milk before their fifth birthday. The children have access to clean drinking water throughout the day, please provide them with their own clearly labelled water bottle, as they are encouraged to refill it independently as required.

Lunch

The second week will include the lunch period to allow your child to settle into the lunch routine confidentially. Your child can either bring a pack lunch or have school meals. School meals are currently free for Key Stage One children. A sample menu for September can be found on the website.

Packed Lunches

As the school recognises the connection between a healthy diet and a child's ability to learn effectively they promote a Healthy Food Policy. To help them encourage a positive attitude towards healthy food please will you provide a nutritious and balanced meal for their lunch if they are not having school lunches?

Breakfast and After School Club

We provide a Breakfast and afterschool club if you need this provided please check out the link on our website under Other Pages, [Before and After School Club](#). We will give you a booking form to fill in when you start school.

Once again, I would like to welcome your child to our school.

Ms Gemma Davis
Class Teacher