



2 September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

### **New Academic Year 2022-2023**

Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you have had a fantastic summer break and that all our learners are refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead. We welcome all children back on **Monday 5 September** and cannot wait to see their smiling faces and begin to learn together again. We also want to welcome our new learners and their families to the school; we hope they all settle quickly into school life and enjoy their time with us, at BFS.

We are delighted to share, that the building work is nearly complete. We now have our fantastic, larger main entrance and reception area as well as new fencing around school to enhance safety for all. We are really pleased with these improvements and cannot wait for you to see them too. We look forward to sharing other new additions with the children on their return, the new playground markings will bring great excitement.

### **BFS Link - Resourced Base Provision**

We are delighted to share that after a successful and positive consultation, we have been able to finalise the BFS Link Provision. This resourced base is a Special Educational Needs provision for children with the primary diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC). This resourced base is a fantastic provision and we are excited to work collaboratively. We would like to welcome our new learners and their families to BFS and we look forward to working closely with them.

### **Reminders for the new academic year**

With the new term starting we just wanted to send a few reminders to ensure a smooth return to school for all.

### **PE Days**

Please see below PE days for this year. We are continuing with children to come into school dressed in their PE Kits.

Reception	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 1	Monday and Tuesday
Year 2	Monday and Wednesday
Year 3	Thursday and Friday
Year 4	Thursday and Friday

### **School Times**

All classroom doors will be open from 8.30am-8.40am for children to arrive. The register will then be taken promptly at 8.40am and the school day will start.

The school gates will shut a few minutes before 8.40am, allowing enough time for children to reach their classroom doors, anyone arriving after the gate closes will be classed as late and will need to sign into school via the school office. It is very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others.

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The end of the school day is at **3.05pm**. The school gates will open at 3.05pm for you to collect your child from their classroom door. We ask that you arrive promptly for collection. We have a number of after school clubs each night, so ask that once collecting your child you leave the school ground promptly.

### **Entrance and Exit into School**

Both side gates, the gate leading into the main playground and side gate in front of the main office will be open for entering and exiting the school. A member of the Senior Leadership Team will always be on the gate to greet you; however, we do ask that you always keep your child close to you for safeguarding reasons. This ensures all children leave the site safely and with their trusted adult.

### **Uniform**

We ask that you support us in ensuring that all children arrive in school in the correct uniform. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact school or refer to the uniform policy on the website. If you are unsure whether a piece of uniform is acceptable, please consult us before purchasing.

Our uniform consists of the following:

<b>School Uniform</b>	<b>PE Kit</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bottle green v neck sweatshirt with school logo</li><li>• Bottle green polo shirt with or without school logo</li><li>• Charcoal grey tailored school trousers or shorts</li><li>• Green tartan pleated skirt</li><li>• Black socks or tights</li><li>• Black school shoes or smart plain black trainer (no white soles, logos or stripes)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• White round neck t-shirt</li><li>• Black plain shorts</li><li>• Black plain jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt/hoodie</li><li>• Trainers</li><li>• BFS hoodie (Optional)</li></ul>

We ask that hair styles are neat and tidy. All long hair must be tied up in school. If hair is too short to be tied up, it must be clipped back. Any hair clips/bands or accessories should be small in size, discreet and either black or bottle green.

Please note, no backpacks are permitted in school due to health and safety.

We hope you have an enjoyable weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday. As always if you have any queries or questions please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Best wishes



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Head of School