



BIRLEY PRIMARY ACADEMY | NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM | WEEK 1 | FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

BACK AT BIRLEY

First and foremost, it has been absolutely brilliant seeing all of the children back at the academy after the summer break. Pleasingly, our pupils have all quickly settled back into school life and there has been a real positive vibe throughout the academy as children have enjoyed getting accustomed to new routines. Of course, some of our older pupils may feel like a sense of normality is returning to school life while our younger pupils show their impressive adaptability as they continue to take everything in their stride with smiles on their faces.

SUPER STAFF

During the summer break, the staff at Birley Primary Academy have been working extremely hard behind the scenes in preparation of the children returning last Friday. The classrooms look incredible and our pupils have environments that are both exciting and stimulating for their young minds.

May we also take this opportunity to welcome Mr Hulbert (Y4) and Miss Waxman (Y6) to Birley Primary Academy. Both of our teachers have perfectly fit into Team Birley and their energy, ideas and passion to improve outcomes for the children of Birley will no doubt serve them well. We all look forward to working with you.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

This academic year, due to the effects of the global pandemic, the need for pupils to regularly attend the academy is more important than ever. As a result of this, the academy - alongside the local authority - will be striving to ensure that every pupil attends the academy on a regular basis. For your information, a child with attendance greater than 96% is classed as attending school regularly. However, it should also be noted that any child with an attendance below 90% is classed as being 'persistently absent' by the local authority. While the academy will work alongside and support all parents and carers to ensure this doesn't happen, please be aware that fixed penalty notices may be issued if this becomes the case.



CHARACTER FOR ALL

Commando Carl returns to Birley Primary Academy

At Birley Primary Academy, we place a great emphasis on developing children's character in order to ensure our children are equipped with traits, virtues and dispositions that will allow them to flourish in our society. One of the ways in which we try to achieve this is by delivering the Commando Joe's Character for All Curriculum.

Pleasingly, Commando Carl has returned to the academy for another academic year and has begun working with our children in Y2 and Y3 to begin developing their resilience, confidence and ability to problem solve. We can't wait to share what they get up to in their weekly sessions.



SPARKLE AND SHINE

Next week, we are extremely excited about the return of our celebration assembly, Sparkle and Shine. Due to the new timings and routines of the school day, our celebration assemblies will have new timings for different year groups that can be found below:

9:00am – Y4, Y5 and Y6

9:45am – Y1, Y2 and Y3

10:30am – Foundation Stage 2

As we did previously, parents and carers of the recipients of our learning award will also be invited into the academy to share their child's special moment. Keep a look out for invitations in book bags over the course of this academic year.

FOUNDATION STAGE 2

As part of their transition into schooling, our FS2 children have completed longer days at the academy through the course of this week - starting at 9am and finishing at 1pm. All of our children have really enjoyed their time at the academy and are now looking forward to spending the full day in school from next week. Well done FS2 – we are all extremely proud!



Did you know that Birley Primary Academy provide regular updates on events within school through our social media channels?

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