



# Balfour Junior School Newsletter

Friday 3rd September



## Important Dates:



### Meet the teachers:

Year 3: Thursday 9th  
September 9am

Year 4: Tuesday 21st  
September 9am

Year 5: Thursday 23rd  
September 9am

Year 6: Thursday 9th  
September 3:45pm

### Last day of term 1:

Friday 15th October

### First day of Term 2:

Monday 1st November



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your Parent Pay  
account !**



We hope you had an excellent summer break and we are delighted to see everyone back at school for the start of the new academic year.

Some routines and procedures in school have changed in line with updated government guidance, please see the information on the school website for more information.

### Welcome to Beyond Schools Trust!

Over the summer, Fort Pitt Thomas Aveling Academies has undergone a transformational re-brand and name change. The Balfour school logo has also been updated alongside the other schools' logos to bring a more common theme across the 5 schools. Our school website is also under development and the new site will be launched very soon. Please bear with us over the next week or so as information is updated and we will let you know when the new website is launched!

More information can be found on the Beyond Schools Trust website, which can be found here:

[www.beyondschoools.co.uk/](http://www.beyondschoools.co.uk/)



### Welcome

Congratulations to Mrs Miller, who joins us as a Teaching Partner in Year 3 this term. Mrs Miller has worked as a Midday Meals Supervisor at Balfour for a number of years and we are delighted that she is beginning this exciting new position in Year 3.

### Uniform

It has been lovely to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms for the start of the new year and to see all the shiny new shoes! Please remember to ensure your child wears the full correct uniform to school all the time and that our guidelines on jewellery are followed. This means that earrings should be small, flat studs only and no other jewellery, other than a wristwatch, is worn to school.

Pupils will need to wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE lessons. The children have been told which days this will be but please ask if you are not sure.

### Meet the teachers

Welcome meetings have been arranged for each year group, to give you the opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out some information about their year group.

The meetings will take place on the dates given in the Important Dates column on the left of this newsletter

### Healthy snacks

Please remember that if you provide a playtime snack for your child, it may only be one of the following:

- Fruit
- Dried fruit
- Vegetables (e.g. carrot sticks)
- Breadsticks or plain crackers



**Please do not send your child to school with any other food for a breaktime snack as they are not permitted.**