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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Blackmore Primary School! We have an exciting year ahead of us and lots to look forward to in Reception class.

The children will learn through playing, exploring, being active, and through being creative and critical thinkers which takes place both indoors and outside. We will endeavour to ensure that the learning inspires the children, motivates them and most importantly is enjoyable! We will begin this term by getting to know the children and celebrating the theme 'being me and my family.' **Please send a baby photograph and a family photograph into school in your child's bookbag as soon as possible please as we would like to use them in our learning discussions and display them on the wall.**

Each month throughout the year the children's learning will be linked to a colour. During the Autumn term, our learning will be linked to the colour's orange, black and gold. Please refer to our 'Class R Overview 2024-2025' for more information about what this will entail.

We would like to invite you to attend a curriculum evening on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm where we will be talking in detail about how we teach reading, writing and maths skills to the children. The meeting will last approximately an

**Please ensure that we have been noted of any dietary or medical information.**

**Uniform Reminders:** Always ensure that every item of school and clothing is clearly named, including footwear and accessories, such as hats and gloves. Long hair should be tied back every day; we ask that hair accessories are small and are red, white or black. We would be grateful if you could provide a pair of **named** wellington boots that will stay in school, so that the children are better equipped for our garden grounds and muddy areas during wet weather. Class R have access to an outdoors environment daily, so please ensure that they have suitable warm clothing in the winter months.

**PE:** The children will enjoy two sessions of PE each week. This half term they will take part in a swimming lesson on a Monday afternoon with Miss Sweeting. **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** will be the children's first lesson so they will need to **come to school dressed in their PE kit** with their named **swimming bag** on Mondays. Class R will also have a physical PE lesson on **Thursdays** and will need to **come to school dressed in their PE kit on Thursdays**. We will begin PE lessons on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Please refer to the schools 'uniform policy' for more information about swimming and PE kit.

We would be grateful if your child could have their school bookbag in school every day. We will be providing your child with reading books and a reading record very soon. We will send further information about how you can support your child's learning at home in due course.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to see us before or after school or get in contact with us through the school office. We are really looking forward to working in partnership with you to ensure that your child has a fulfilling and enjoyable learning experience at Blackmore Primary School.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Read & Mrs Sims



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