

# Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School

# August 2024 — Newsletter 2





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School App



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### Welcome Back

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We also welcome new members of staff to our school. Mr Clarke as our new Vice Principal and Miss McLaughlin, Miss Cruikshank, Miss Magee and Miss Speers.

 $\overset{\wedge}{\mathbb{A}}$ ★ We continue to have positive pupil numbers within the school which is very encouraging for the Board of Governors and staff of the school. As always, we will do all we can to ensure our pupils experience both excellent pastoral care and high  $\stackrel{\frown}{\swarrow}$  quality learning and teaching.  $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ 

We are looking forward to another successful year for everyone at Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School.

Mrs Jamison

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# Classes 2024-25

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Year I	Mrs Carson	Miss Hemphill
Year 2	Mr McLean (Miss Speers will be covering)	Miss McLaughlin
	(Miss Hemphill's class)	(Mrs Carson's class)
Year 3	Mrs Boreland and Mrs Duggan (Wednesday)	Miss Magee
	(Mrs Boyd's class)	(Mr McLean's class)
Year 4	Mrs Murphy	Mrs McNaughton
	(Mrs Boreland and Mrs Duggan's class)	(Ms Browne and Mrs Hall's class)
Year 5	Mr Clarke — VP and Mrs Duggan (Tuesday)	Miss Cruikshank and Mrs Duggan (Tuesday)
	(Mrs Murphy's class)	(Mrs McNaughton's class)
Year 6	Mrs Boyle	Mrs Handforth (Monday - Tuesday)
	(Mrs Hayes and Mrs Duggan's class)	and Ms Browne (Wednesday — Friday)
		(Mr Heyburn's class)
Year 7	Mrs Robinson	Mrs Thom
	(Mrs Getty's class)	(Miss Graham's class)
Speech and Language Class Year I—4	Mrs Mack	

### Transition Morning for all Pupils

We understand the importance of all our pupils having a smooth transition to their next class.

In relation to this we are organising Transition Sessions for all pupils on the morning of Friday 30th August 2024 to allow them to meet their new teacher and visit their new classroom. Smaller sessions will also enable the class teacher the opportunity to get to know each child better.

Each class will be split in two and the two transition sessions will be organised as follows:-

Friday 30th August 2024

9.00am — 10.30am Transition Session I — Surnames A — L

II.OOam — 12.30pm Transition Session 2— Surnames M — Z

9.00am — 10.30am Mrs Mack's class

Please note your child's attendance at the Transition Session is optional and your child does not have to attend if you deem not necessary or if it does not suit family commitments.

Please remember to complete a Communication Form on the school app if you need to let school know of anything that has happened over the summer holidays in relation to your child.

We appreciate Friday is a short school day but a very important one as we start a new school year.

All pupils should bring their school bag with a water bottle. School uniform should be worn. No break is required.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS ARE LABELLED!

Our school website contract recently expired and we have moved to a new company School Web Design.

A big thank you to Miss McKay who has been working with the new company to set up the new website.





Welcome to our school website, which had been designed to provide you with relevant information about our school. We hope you will find everything you need. Thank you for visiting our website.



#### Our School Facebook



# School Uniform



It is the policy of Ballymoney Model Integrated Primary School that all pupils wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Wearing school uniform promotes a sense of belonging to the school and encourages pride in personal appearance. We are very proud of how smart our pupils look in their school uniform and thank parents/carers for their support in this area.

Our school uniform is as follows:

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 (Year 1 - Year 4)

Grey school pinafore/skirt/trousers/shorts

White polo shirt preferably with school logo or

white shirt and school tie

Navy V-neck sweatshirt/cardigan preferably with school logo

Socks (white/grey/black) and tights (grey/black/navy)

Key Stage 2 (Year 5-7)

Grey school pinafore/skirt/trousers/shorts

White shirt and school tie

Navy V-neck sweatshirt/cardigan preferably with school logo

Summer Uniform - September, April, May and June:

White polo shirt preferably with school logo

Light blue checked gingham dress

#### Footwear

Shoes/Trainers should be of a comfortable design, low heeled, toe covered and all black in colour. Shoes if laced should have black laces.

### Hair

Hair should be neat and tidy and worn with no extremes of style or colour.

Long hair should be tied back, particularly for PE.

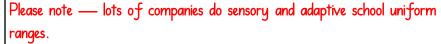
Hair accessories should be appropriately sized and in keeping with the school colours.

### <u>Jewellery</u>

No jewellery, except a watch, to be worn.

For safety reasons, if earrings must be worn, they should be small plain studs.

No make-up or nail polish should be worn.



If you need any further quidance or help in relation to sensory issues in regards to wearing school uniform please complete a Communication Form on the school app and the relevant member of staff will get back to you at the end of August.











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PE
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Year I - 4 pupils will only change their shoes when taking part in PE. Please ensure that long hair is tied back on PE days.

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Year 5 — 7 pupils change for PE and need the following:-
Navy/black shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings
White t-shirt/polo shirt
Trainers
Soft elastic/bobble to tie back long hair
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Girls must remember to bring socks if wearing tights

### Swimming

Girls — one-piece costume Boys — trunks Towel

Parents/Carers are asked to ensure that items of clothing are labelled. It is particularly important to label sweatshirts and school coats clearly.

Parents/Carers are asked to inform their child's class teacher if there is a problem, and their child is unable to come to school in the above noted uniform.

Financial assistance is available through the EA Uniform Grants Scheme. Further information is available on the EA website.

School Uniform Suppliers
Robert Gault, Ballymoney
Heart and Home, Ballymoney and Coleraine
S & T Moores, Coleraine

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Important School Times starting from Monday 2nd September 2024
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Breakfast Club 8.00am - 8.45am - starting Monday 2nd September

Morning Arrival 8.45am - 9.00am no pupil or parent/carer should be in the play ground before 8.45am

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Year 1 — 1.55pm (2nd — 6th September 12 noon)

Year 2 — 1.55pm

Year 3 — Monday and Tuesday 2.55pm, Wednesday — Friday 2.00pm

Year 4 + Year 5 — 2.55pm

Year 6 + Year 7 — 3.00pm
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# **Foundation Stage**

### **'BACK TO SCHOOL'**



### **CHECKLIST**

2024/25



To be ready for the year ahead you will need a  $\underline{small}$  school bag, a pencil case, along with the following items:

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	Year I and 2		
	Colouring pencils / <u>Twistables</u>	Dry-wipe Marker	
	Rubber	Plastic Crayons	
	40g Glue Stick	Tub of Playdoh ( <u>used</u> for homework tasks)	
	30cm ruler (Year 2 only)	HB pencils (Year 2 only)	

#### Please note:

These requirements may need to be replenished throughout the year. All items should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

Don't worry if you are unable to provide all these items for your child, each teacher will have some class items for your child to borrow.

# Key Stage 1

## **'BACK TO SCHOOL'**



### CHECKLIST

2024/25



To be ready for the year ahead you will need a pencil case, along with the following items:

HB pencils	Dry-wipe Marker
Colouring pencils / <u>Twistables</u>	Rubber
Sharpener with compartment	40g Glue Stick
30cm ruler	Coloured pen x1
Year 4 — Felt tips (optional)	Highlighter Pens

#### Please note:

These requirements may need to be replenished throughout the year. All items should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

Don't worry if you are unable to provide all these items for your child, each teacher will have some class items for your child to borrow.

# Key Stage 2 'BACK TO SCHOOL'



### **CHECKLIST**

2024/25



To be ready for the year ahead you will need a pencil case, along with the following items:

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	HB pencils	Dry-wipe Marker	
	Colouring pencils / <u>Twistables</u>	Rubber	
	Sharpener with compartment	40g Glue Stick	
	30cm ruler	Coloured pen x1	
	Felt tips (optional)	Highlighter ×1	
	Berol Handwriting Pen x1 (Year 6 and 7 only)		

#### Please note:

These requirements may need to be replenished throughout the year. All items should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

Don't worry if you are unable to provide all these items for your child, each teacher will have some class items for your child to borrow.

# School Calendar 2024-25

### Baker Days (School Staff only)

Thursday 22nd August, Friday 23rd August, Tuesday 27th August, Wednesday 28th August and Thursday 29th August 2024

### Term 1

## Friday 30th August 2024 — Transition Morning Sessions

School begins for all on Monday 2nd September 2024

Holidays: Monday 28th October — Friday 1st November 2024 (5 days)

Pupils finish at 12 noon on Friday 20th December 2024

Holidays: Monday 23rd December — Friday 3rd January 2025 (10 days)



### Term 2

Schools begins again on Monday 6th January 2025

Holidays: Thursday 13th - Friday 14th February 2025 (2 days)

Holiday: Monday 17th March 2025

Pupils finish at 12 noon on Wednesday 16th April 2025

Holidays: Thursday 17th — Friday 25th April 2025 (7 days)



### Term 3

School begins again on Monday 28th April 2025

Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Holiday: Monday 26th May 2025

Pupils finish for the summer at 12 noon on Monday 30th June 2025



School Development Days will be confirmed at a later date.

# The newly refurbished Ballymoney Library is now open!





