



Co-op Academy
Beckfield

Update

Friday 27th April 2018

Dear Families of Beckfield,

Welcome to the third Headteacher update. My goodness me, what a lot of changes since our last update!

Our new signs are up and I am sure you will agree we look very smart. Over the next few weeks we will be upgrading our school noticeboard and getting a new school website. We also have a sample school jumper. Speak to Mrs Roberts in the playground and let us know what you think.

There have been changes in the classrooms too that you might not be aware of. Staff attendance has massively improved and as a result we have had fewer supply teachers. This means that your child has had more consistent teaching over the last term. Pupil behaviour is also improving. The consistent implementation of the school behaviour policy by all staff has resulted in pupils making better choices and learning behaviour has improved. We are grateful to the parents who have supported us during this change.

The no pumps policy went very well with pupils and staff reporting that it has increased learning time. As a result we have a no pump policy in school. That means you will not need to buy any more pumps for your child to change into.

A new school calendar has been published and emailed to parents. This lists all the events happening this term in school and gives you the heads up on events that you can attend or your child needs to bring something for. This calendar will be published termly and will help with organisation. It is the start of a new way of working with parents. Staff have planned events throughout next year to share what we do in school and support parents to help their child to succeed. We are committed to working in partnership with parents and staff are very excited about this.

You may be aware that there is new data protection regulations (GDPR) starting soon. Myself and Suzy Zito (School Business Manager) have had two days training with the Trust and we are in the process of collating the data we hold in school. We will be in contact with all parents to inform you what data we hold and how it is processed, very soon.

I am pleased to announce that we now have a number of sports clubs running in school, football, gymnastics and multiskills this term and basketball starting next term. This means that 40% of our pupils will have been part of an after schools sports club. Thank you to Stef Robinson, year 3 teacher, for organising this for school.

We are proud to announce that three of our staff members have been nominated for an award in the Co-op recognition evening. Sharon Hodgson, Anita Durn and Angela Bryan will be attending the ceremony at 1 Angel Square Manchester. We will let you know if they are successful.

Just to let you know, we are having an emergency lock down drill at 11.15am on Friday 4th May. The children will be taught the procedure prior to the lockdown. Please note during the drill we will not be answering the phone. We view these drills as important as fire evacuations. Please come and speak to a member of staff if you have any concerns regarding the drill.

If we don't have your email address, please see Anita in the office.

Love

Johanna Jobson

