



Thursday 4th September 2025

Dear Woodberry Down Families

Re: Welcome Back

It was such a joy to see our children and families returning to school yesterday as we began the new academic year. I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday filled with memorable moments together. A particularly warm welcome goes to our new Reception and Nursery families who are joining the Woodberry Down community for the very first time. We are delighted to have you with us.

It was a shame that the weather was so wet for our first day back but we know that autumn often brings varied conditions. Please do ensure your child comes to school prepared with a suitable coat as we try to enjoy outdoor play and learning whenever possible.

Our staff team are excited and energised for the year ahead with lots of engaging learning opportunities already planned. We look forward to meeting many of you at our Meet the Teacher events over the coming weeks. These sessions are a great chance to connect with your child's teacher and hear more about what to expect this term and across the year. They will all begin at 3.45pm on the following dates:

- Monday 8th September - Year 5 and 6
- Tuesday 9th September - Year 3 and 4
- Thursday 11th September - Year 1 and 2
- Monday 15th September - Reception
- Monday 29th September - Nursery

A reminder that our school gates open at **8.45am** each morning with classes beginning promptly at **8.55am**. The gates close at 9.00am and children arriving after this time will be marked late.

Finally, please ensure that your child is dressed in full school uniform each day including plain black shoes. Our uniform policy does not permit brightly coloured footwear, patterned trousers, leggings or jewellery. You can find the full uniform guidelines [here](#).

We are very much looking forward to working together to make this year a happy, successful and inspiring one for every child.

Kind regards,

Derek Hewie
Headteacher

