



Bank View School

Parent Information

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Welcome Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Bank View School, we look forward to you joining our school community. Bank View is an outstanding school and teamwork lies at the core of everything we do. We pride ourselves on the strong partnerships we have with students and their families, and this is the start of a 'journey' we take together to achieve the very best outcomes for your child.

Every student follows a personalised curriculum pathway through school, which allows them the opportunity to achieve their full potential whilst promoting their personal and social development. Our aim is that students achieve independent living, employment, good physical and mental health, resilience and community inclusion.

Finally, we have an 'open door' policy here at Bank View, please if you wish to speak to anyone about any matter call in, phone or email us and we will respond as soon as possible.

I look forward to meeting you at the earliest opportunity.

Juliette Gelling

Headteacher

Ethos

Teamwork lies at the core of Bank View's ethos; the entire school community works together and recognises the role they each play and the strengths they bring. Everyone at Bank View truly cares about the students, we all work tirelessly to improve the students' outcomes so they are successful in life.



Aims

We have high expectations of our students, striving through personalised pathways to engage them in the challenge of learning, helping them to become evaluators of their own learning.

Our fundamental focus is to support and raise attainment and achievement (educationally, emotionally and socially) for all our students. Our skilled staff support pupils to overcome their barriers to learning and social interaction so that they can go on to achieve independent living, employment, good physical and mental health, resilience, friends, relationships and community inclusion.

All students enjoy equality of opportunity, regardless of sex, race or ability. We provide an education which is a happy experience, relevant and worthwhile, preparing our students for the world of work and ensuring that they leave us as caring young adults who have developed positive characteristics/values and are respectful of others.

Vision

As a school, our vision for the future is to continue to develop our provision and skill set to meet the ever increasing complexity of pupils' needs. We seek to look forward and outwards in order to ensure our practice is innovative and dynamic, sharing our expertise to support others outside our own school community. We will continue to lead the way in developing employment opportunities for young people with SEN.

Contact Information

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Communication

Seesaw	Class teachers are available via Seesaw. Teachers will respond at a convenient time.
Letters	Letters are regularly sent home by 'pupil post' and Seesaw/ email.
Newsletters	The Newsletter is produced towards the end of each half. This is sent via seesaw and available on the school website.
Website	The school website holds a host of information. The school calendar is on the school website.
School App	Information can be found on the school parent app, to be signed up for the parent app please let the office staff know.
Face-to-face	Parents will meet with teachers on parent's evenings and annual reviews; however, appointments can be made throughout the year via request if needed.

Child Protection/Safeguarding

Because of day-to-day contact with children, all staff have received the appropriate Safeguarding training which is regularly updated as per national guidelines. A copy of the school's Child Protection /Safeguarding policy is available on request and is also available on the school's website.

Welcome Message from Staff

Our aim is, and will always be, to help your child to achieve their maximum potential. We deliver an engaging curriculum to ensure that a love for learning is embraced and sustained. We provide a dynamic and nurturing environment that values every child and enables them to gain high self-esteem, morals, confidence and the motivation to succeed.

Respect, kindness and cooperation are embedded into everything we do here. The emotional well-being of every child is also an essential part of our ethos and what we believe is a real strength of our school.

We are very proud of our school and work hard to ensure all pupils are nurtured and given every opportunity to achieve their very best. We look forward to welcoming you into our school and working in partnership with you.

Bank View Staff

Inspiring Curriculum

The curriculum at Bank View School is designed to be broad, balanced, challenging and engaging thus inspiring students to learn. As a school, we are committed to improving the life chances for all our students. We have high expectations for our students, and we want them to enjoy and engage in their learning. We challenge our students, but more than that, we want them to have the resilience to challenge themselves. At Bank View students have a personalised pathway through school. All students enjoy equality of opportunity, regardless of sex, race or ability. We aim to provide an education which is relevant and worthwhile, preparing our students for the world of work and ensuring that they leave us as caring young adults who have developed positive attitude, values and are respectful of others. We offer a range of subjects which reflects the demands of the National Curriculum and place a great emphasis on the transference of skills across the school. The curriculum prepares students for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences which they will encounter after leaving us whilst promoting spiritual, moral, social and cultural level.

High Expectations for All

All children can achieve and we place no limits on their personal potential.

More information about our curriculum can be found on the school website.

Wellbeing Hub

The Wellbeing Hub is a safe, welcoming and friendly space. We are here to help you settle in and to talk if you have any worries. We have supportive mentors that are regularly available to share your worries, your funny stories and a nice biscuit or cup of tea! We will also be working with you to help you build new friendships and make the most of your time at Bank View School.

Positive Behaviour

Research has shown that our thoughts, emotions and behaviours are interconnected and influence one another. Therefore, you can change, or at least influence, one by changing another. Restorative practice builds up skills such as resilience, tolerance and empathy as well as developing social and communications skills.

At Bank View School, we have been working with Restorative Practice Limited. We have embedded a restorative ethos in our school community. We use restorative questioning to communicate with staff, pupils and the wider school community. Pupils take part in activities which helps to develop speaking and listening skills. We support pupils in developing their awareness of emotions and how they may affect behaviour and choices. We use the Zones of Regulation at Bank View School to support students' self-regulation.

The School Day

The school day starts at 8.45 am and finishes at 3.15 pm.

We have breaks in the morning, afternoon and lunchtime, along with regular movement and sensory breaks throughout the day. Students take part in 5 lessons a day.

Class timetables may change throughout the year so that children can attend swimming and a variety of enrichment activities.

The structure of the school day is currently under consultation.

If accepted the school day will finish at 2:40pm. With buses leaving between 2:40pm and 3:00pm.

General Information

Governors

Chair of Governors: Mr Alan Jackson

Please leave any correspondence at the school office in a sealed envelope marked for the attention of the chair of governors. This will be dealt with confidentially.

Attendance

The Government have set a minimum expected attendance of 97%. This would mean a child has no more than 5 ½ days' absence over the course of a school year. Anything below this may be a cause for concern. If your child is not attending school for medical reasons allowances will be made.

If your child is not able to attend school, please telephone the school office no later than 9.30 am to inform us of the reason for their absence each day.

If your child is late arriving at school, please bring them to the front office so they can be registered for the day. Lateness is recorded and can have an impact on your child's learning.

Medical/ Illness

Illness

If your child is ill during the school day, then they will need to be collected as soon as possible. Please make sure the office has all the telephone numbers necessary to contact you at work or at home.

Medical appointments

It is helpful to know in advance about any medical appointments and a copy of the appointment letter sent to school via seesaw.

Asthma

For children with asthma, please provide the school with a clearly labelled inhaler stating your child's name and dosage. If a spacer is required, it is the parents' responsibility to provide this.

Medication

Designated staff will administer medication to children only when it has been prescribed by a medical professional. Medication should have a prescription label with the child's name and the dosage clearly visible. You will be required to complete a consent form at the office when handing over the medication.

Children with serious medical conditions will need a healthcare plan, this will be completed by staff, parents and with the help of outside agencies if needed.

Head lice

Please regularly check your child's hair for head lice. Long hair should always be tied up for school to reduce the spread of head lice.

Uniform

School uniforms can be purchased from Lisa's Schoolwear:
275 East Prescott Road, Liverpool, L14 2DB or
72 Priory Road, Liverpool, L4 2RZ

Primary to Year 11

- Navy blue cardigan/sweatshirt with school badge
- White polo shirt with or without school badge
- Navy skirt, Navy pinafore or black trousers
- Bank View navy tracksuit
- Black shoes **NO TRAINERS**
- School blazers and fleeces are also available (optional)

PE Kit

- PE navy t-shirt with school logo
- Navy shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings
- Trainers
- Swimming kit

Students can come to school in their PE kit on their timetables PE day.

Transport and School meals

Transport

School transport is organised directly from the Liverpool local authority. They usually make contact during August to discuss transport details.

Local Authority Transport contact number 0151 233 6513

It is the parent's responsibility to inform the transport office of any change of address

Some parents may choose to bring their child to school.

Link for further information regarding school transport

[Apply for SEND home to school transport - Liverpool City Council](#)

School meals

Pupils who are eligible for free school meals need to apply directly to the local authority. You will be given a code to share with school.

If your child has a paid school meal. The cost is £2.40 per day. This can be paid by cash to the school office weekly or via school money app. If you would prefer to pay online a link will be sent via email or text. This can be requested via the school office at all sites.

Link for further information regarding free school meals

[Free school meals - Liverpool City Council](#)



Further information about our school can be found on our school website:

<https://bvhs.co.uk/>

Additionally, if there are still unanswered questions please contact the school office who are always happy to help parents with their queries.

The office is open every school day from 8.30 am to 4.30 pm on
0151 330 5101 Fazakerley or
0151 330 5173 Speke

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