

# The Blue School

A Church of England School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to warmly welcome you to the new academic year at The Blue School. I hope that you have all enjoyed the summer break, engaged in new adventures and that your sons and daughters have grown in preparation for their next challenges.

It may only have been six weeks since we were last all together, but the summer has been an extremely productive and successful one at the school. I hope that you are aware of the examination results achieved by our Year 13 and 11 students from last year. They place the academic achievements of our students amongst the strongest in the South West of England, an achievement of which they and all our community should be proud. Our press releases can still be found on in the 'Latest News' section of the school website:

[https://www.theblueschoolwells.co.uk/section.php/39/1/latest\\_news](https://www.theblueschoolwells.co.uk/section.php/39/1/latest_news).

I am sure that you will be aware of the introduction of *epraise* this year as part of our drive to improve both the positive approach of the students and the ability to communicate easily with you. You should have received full details as to how to log on to the system and I hope that you are able to take advantage of seeing how your child progresses. You will see that there is an extensive range of extra-curriculum activities that are available to the students, whether it is engaging in the new school production, *Hairspray*, or looking after the school chickens. This system will allow you a greater ability to discuss at home how they will get involved.

The positive nature of this change has been complemented by the excellent way in which the students have returned to school this week. We are at a point where the vast majority of the school is in the new school uniform and we are extremely grateful for the support of parents and carers in this process. The message that we continue to give to students is that we apply this equally across the school in order to be fair to everyone and we are delighted in how the students have responded.

Our success is built upon the strength of the relationships that we have with parents and carers and it remains fundamentally important to us that we maintain that open communication. To help support this, we will be running an open morning on 17<sup>th</sup> October to allow you to see the school working on a normal day. Should you need to contact me directly, then parents and carers are able to use the email address: [blueschoolhead@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:blueschoolhead@educ.somerset.gov.uk).

Finally, let me take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy and successful school year. I look forward to meeting you as the year progresses.

Yours faithfully

M Woodlock  
Headteacher