



Tuesday 31st October 2023

Dear Parents,

With our move into the new trust, The Learning Partnership, all schools within the trust have been asked to relook at and realign their term dates with Cheshire East, so that we reduce the impact for families who may have children at more than one school.

Traditionally Black Firs has always been slightly out of sync with other local schools at Christmas and the end of the school year, so please note the new term dates as below for the rest of the school year. The school has five INSET days per year, one of which is always the first day of the school year, and the other four are to be used at the discretion of the school. We have already used three INSET days this year, one at the start of September, one on 20th October, one on 30th October, so please see the last couple noted below.

Autumn 2	<u>INSET Day Monday 30th October 2023- CONGLETON TOWN INSET</u> School opens for pupils on Tuesday 31 st October
	School closes for Christmas on Friday 22nd December 2023 (last day in school) - <i>Please note this is a new date, two days later than originally planned. Pupils can be collected from 1.30pm but school will be open till the end of the school day as usual. This is to help families who may need to travel to see loved ones.</i>
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Spring 1	<u>INSET Day- Monday 8th January 2024</u> School opens for pupils on Tuesday 9th January (<i>please note this is a new date, slightly later than original date, but in line with local Cheshire East schools</i>)
School closes for Feb half term Mon 19th to Fri 23rd Feb 2024	
Spring 2	School opens for pupils on Mon 26 th Feb 2024
	Last day of term Thursday 28 th March (<i>Good Friday Bank Holiday 29th March, Easter Mon 1st April</i>)
School closes for Easter holidays Fri 29th March till Fri 12th April 2024	
Summer 1	School opens Mon 15 th April for pupils Bank Holiday Mon 6 th May (school closed)
School closes for May half term Mon 27th to Fri 31st May 2024 (Mon 27th May is Bank Holiday)	
Summer 2	School opens for pupils on Mon 3 rd June 2024 <u>INSET on Friday 21st June</u> Last day of term Wednesday 23rd July 2024 (<i>Please note, this is a new date, slightly later than originally planned</i>)

For families who have already booked holidays away using the original term dates, if you just bring evidence of the booking to the school office I will authorise these dates as exceptional circumstances as we have changed the school calendar. These must have been booked prior to today's date.

Hopefully these changes will be positive for the vast majority of our families and thank you for bearing with us as we go through these changes.

Kindest Regards,

Mrs Jones

Headteacher, Black Firs Primary School