

Learning together to be the best we can be

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Dear Parents/Carers

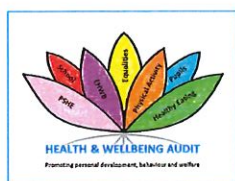
As we approach the end of this very strange academic year, we are very conscious that some children have not been in school for a very long time; I am aware for some this is a worry. During the course of next week, the school office will be emailing your child's end of year report and you will be informed of who your child's class teacher will be for next year at the same time.

Gavin Williamson, the Education Minister announced recently, that 'bubbles' could increase from 15 to 30 from September, allowing all children to return to school for the new academic year. We are yet to receive any further details of any specific guidelines we need to work to, but we are promised this is coming soon. However, I fully expect school to be inviting all children back in September and for this to be compulsory. The first day back for children (Year 1 to Year 6) in September will be **Thursday 3 September**. We expect to be back to our usual start and finish times unless we are advised that a staggered system is still recommended. Should this be the case you will receive further details. Unless you are informed otherwise, we will be expecting **new** Year 1 to Year 6 children back on **Thursday 3 September at 8.50am**. Further details to follow on early years start dates. Usual **uniform** and **attendance** policy will be applied. Details of uniform rules and how to order can be found on our school website under the 'Parents and Pupils' tab. Please remember that no extreme haircuts / colours are allowed and black shoes should be worn. There will be a big focus on 'catch up' in the autumn and good attendance is essential.

During our conversations with you recently, some of you have raised that your children would like to say good-bye to their current class teacher. We understand this brings a natural closure to this year and signals a new start to next year. Therefore we have arranged a timetable to say good-bye in a socially distanced way. This will take place outdoors at the front of the Main Reception. It is not compulsory to attend and we do understand that for some, shielding measures still apply. To reduce congestion, please only attend for the time of your child's class. This timetable is for children **NOT** currently attending school and only one adult may accompany each child. You must also ensure you socially distance outside. This cannot happen inside the building so fingers crossed for a dry day!

Monday 6 July

EYFS	10.00 – 10.30am	11.00 – 11.30am	1.00pm – 1.30pm	2.00pm – 2.30pm
	Nursery Mrs Rose	Rec Mrs Hodgson	Rec Miss Hewson	Rec Mr Murphy



Tuesday 7 July

KS1	10.00 – 10.30am	11.00 – 11.30am	1.00pm – 1.45pm
	Y1 Mrs Lisle & Mrs Price	Y1 Miss Adam	Y2 Mrs Adams We understand Mrs Kennedy's class said good-bye to her before she began her maternity leave but if any children would like to say good-bye to Mrs Adams they could come at this time.

Wednesday 8 July

KS2	10.00 – 10.30am	11.00 – 11.30am	1.00pm – 2.00pm
	Y4 Mr Ridley	Y4 Mrs Temperley	Year 3 Unfortunately Miss Higgins cannot attend however other Year 3 staff will be present.

Thursday 9 July

KS2	10.00 – 10.30am	11.00 – 11.30am
	Y5 Miss McKean	Y5 Mrs Rea

Please note separate arrangements have been made for Year 6.

We look forward to seeing some of you during the course of the 'good-bye' schedule.

Regards



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Headteacher