

THE "LOW" DOWN

Lowerhouses CE (VC) JI
& EY School

8th July
2020

*Working and achieving together to enrich lives
and nurture bright futures*

Mrs Shaw's update

As we approach the start of the summer holidays, we realise there are still many questions and queries that you probably have. We are currently working through the recently released guidance from the Government regarding our full return to school in September and anticipate sharing all this information with you next week. Please be patient as there is much to organise to ensure we open safely for all our children and staff from Tuesday 8th September.

This week, we have returned many of the children's belongings to you and received some wonderful work which can be displayed in school to help the children's transition back into school in September as well as some library books. On Friday we will be safely disposing of all left belongings ready for the start of the year. Please contact school before then if you still have items to collect so we can make suitable arrangements.

We are currently making some Summer work packs for all the children for the summer holiday period. Within this pack there will be some maths, reading and writing activities for your child to complete and these can of course be returned to school when we return if the children would like to share them. We hope you find these useful to keep the children's skills 'ticking' over during the 7 weeks at home and we strongly recommend the children complete this work in preparation for their return to school.

Further guidance

The DfE have issued further information and guidance for parents and carers. Please follow this link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak> for information regarding the reopening of schools in the Autumn term.

The following link may be of interest to those parents who use out of school provisions during the summer holiday, <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

Holiday Pokémon Treasure Hunts

Newsome Ward Community Forum Play Day Team have organised a holiday Pokémon treasure hunt. The hunts will start on Play Day, Wednesday 5th August, and run for two weeks. Children will have the opportunity to enter a prize draw which will take place at the end of the two weeks. The prizes will be suitable for children aged 3-12 years old. There are 2 different routes to try, route A which is around the Newsome and Hall Bower area, and route B which is in the Lowerhouses area. Please find the entry forms included with this newsletter for full information and instructions.

Weekly theme

This week's focus is on the theme of **Resilience**. Children will be reflecting on this in their groups throughout the week and is included on each year group's learning page on the website.

Do you have any unwanted school uniform items you could donate?



Charity No. 1177750



Uniform Exchange is a Kirklees based charity who recycles good school uniform, passing it from one family to another... we would like your help to support them!

Please follow them for news & collection box locations...

 /uniformexchange  @uniformexchang

If you need help accessing school uniform from Uniform Exchange then please get in touch for a form...

We need donations of:

Polo / Cotton Shirts
Jumpers / Cardigans
Blazers
Trousers / Shorts
Skirts / Pinefores
Summers Dresses
PE / Sports Kits
Shoes / Trainers
Socks / Tights
Vest / Underwear
Bags
Coats

...any school items really

Holiday Dates 2020 – 2021

*Please note we are operating a staggered start for children in nursery and reception

School Opens

School Closes

***Tuesday** 8th September 2020

Friday 23rd October 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020

Friday 18th December 2020

Tuesday 5th January 2021

Friday 12th February 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021

Friday 26th March 2021

Tuesday 13th April 2021

Friday 28th May 2021

Monday 7th June 2021

Friday 23rd July 2021

Other dates to remember

Friday 4th December 2020 – Training day School closed

Monday 3rd May 2021 - May Day School closed