



Final Newsletter - 13th July 2020



Dear Parents and Carers

After what has been probably the strangest year of all our teaching careers we have finally reached the end of the Summer Term. It has not been the end we would have planned or liked but we are pleased to be able to say a final farewell to our Year 6 children on Thursday as we hold a socially distanced final assembly for the children - weather permitting held outside on the field. Year 6 children not in school should arrive at school no earlier than 1:55pm and enter through the car park. We will be finished at 3pm and parents should collect their children from outside the school gates.

However, I would like to take this opportunity to say a fond farewell and good luck to all the children in Year 6 as they head to pastures new at their various chosen High Schools. You have been superstars and we will miss you all. I would also like to thank all the parents (especially those who will also be leaving us as parents), for your support over the years that your child has been with us as WECPS.

Reports

At this time of year we usually send your child home with a report - this year we will be sending all reports home via email as a PDF document. We will be using the emails currently on record and sending them all out at 4:30pm on Monday afternoon. If you do not have an email, we will be posting your child's email out on Monday afternoon.

With regards the assessments given on the reports this year - the teachers have reported on where each child was at the point of lock down. The numbers given in each of the core areas are related to firstly the Year group and secondly to each half term and therefore a x:4 would indicate that your child is working at the expected level within their Year group range for Years 1-6)

The assessments for the Foundation Subject areas are classed as WA - working at / WT - working towards and Exc - working above the expected level.



Reception Children are assessed against the Early Learning Goals with the levels Emerging / Expected and Exceeding. Again the assessments are based on where the children were working at the point of lockdown.

For each of the End of Key Stages when we would normally report data to the DfE we have predicted where we think the children would have achieved for our own school records and to assist us with target setting moving forward.. Details

of the Year 6 assessments will be shared with parents as the children are leaving school.

If you have any comments or questions relating to your child's report please could I ask you to send an email to your child's teacher in the first instance - you will have the address on the email you receive.

Activities over the Summer

All class pages on the website will have ideas for activities for over the Summer break. If you would like to share any photos or examples of completed activities please do so using their current Googleclass page. Please note that any work uploaded and shared over the summer will NOT receive any comments over the holidays but the teachers will ensure that all work shared will be looked at by the start of the new term. It is essential that all our staff have their holiday and whilst many will be preparing for the new term during the holiday, I will not be expecting them to be online.

September 2020

We are planning to be back fully in September according to the notes and guidance that was sent out last week. We are currently preparing for assessments and catch up and have many plans in place to support the children, with firstly their well being and emotional development and then their academic development. Any changes due to change in government guidance will be sent out as and when we receive any over the holidays so please do keep an eye out on jotter.

Before and After School Club

A form has been sent out to ascertain requirements in September. We would ask everyone to complete the form (by Wednesday 15th July - 8pm) - even if you do



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not need any wrap around care as this will give us a clear indication of what provision is needed. We will then be able to share details of session times available and costs. Bookings will be taken before the start of term. Please note all outstanding payments from this year must be settled before we can take new bookings for children. All new bookings must be paid for in advance of using the provision.

Clubs Night

Again we would ask you to complete the form by Wednesday 15th July to enable us to prepare the class clubs and let the external providers know.

A few words of thanks ...

And finally it just leaves me to say a few final words of thanks. Firstly to all the school staff who have worked so tremendously hard over the whole year but especially over the past five months in very bizarre circumstances. Their upbeat and motivated support for both the children, parents and each other has been the best. I would like to give a special mention to Mrs Levitt and Miss O'Neill who are leaving their current roles in school to embark on a teaching qualification - with us in September. Good luck ladies.

I would like to thank the amazing efforts of the children who have been willing to adapt to remote learning and also keep so positive during what has been a very difficult time for them all. We have loved seeing and hearing what they have been doing whilst working at home - both work from school but also their own initiatives. Learning has been so very wide and varied and in so many cases very rewarding for the whole family.

You, their parents and carers, also deserve a big thanks for the support and efforts made whilst homeschooling. It is not easy for any of us - especially when trying to complete our own work as well as keeping our children going - but you have done it with such incredible success. Never underestimate the immense value of just spending more time with your children doing what you might consider being the fun activities or jobs around the home, or even taking walks and bike rides, rather than the academic learning.



And finally, I would like to thank our governors who have been a fantastic support for myself and the Senior Leadership Team. Whilst not in person, they have been on hand virtually to give support and guidance as we have put our plans into action.

So that just leaves me to say have a wonderful Summer Holiday - stay safe! We are really looking forward to seeing you all in September .

Kindest regards,

Miss Langridge