

Headteacher's Blog June (3) 2020

Staffing

Miss Curry finishes her PGCE Teacher Training course with us on Tuesday. We wish her well with her future teaching career and thank her for all she has done for our pupils whilst she has been with us.

We are very happy to welcome both Mrs Dodds back to her usual class teaching role from 1st July, as well as Mrs Lester back to a wider role too.

We will need to continue with the KS2 pupils bringing packed lunches and EYFS/KS1 having a cold lunch option, until the end of term.

Bubble Expansion

From 6th July, due to the reduction to 1 metre plus social distancing, we intend to split the current KS2 bubble so that Y5 and 6 pupils can operate to a maximum of 15 pupils within the Time Zone class. Priority will be given to critical worker and vulnerable pupils, then on a first-come-first served basis. There is still no obligation to take a place, especially since shielding is still ongoing until August. If you would like a place for a Year 5 or 6 pupil, please email the school admin address.

Families who use school transport will need to contact their usual provider themselves. It could well be that pupils will need to be brought/collected by families themselves.

We will then see if it is possible to admit any further Year 3 or 4 pupils for the final week, depending on a successful bubble widening. I will let you know as soon as possible.

Allegedly, by Tuesday, the DfE are going to give schools guidance about support for families over the summer, such as activity camps, as well as what the expectations are for schools in September. It may well be that we can have bubbles of 30; that we have to stagger the start of different cohorts; that we will not be able to hold any autumn term gatherings, such as the Nativity- there are lots of unknowns!

Miss Baines has been in touch with Y6 families in the hope of arranging a socially-distanced leavers' picnic on the school field, during the last week of term. It would be lovely to have them together - at a distance- to say goodbye properly. We are very happy that on moving to High School, they have been shared over only 2 form classes.

Reports

Individual pupil reports will begin to be sent home by email from this week; staggered by cohort. They are in a briefer format, as well as being electronic, this year, in line

with Government guidance, due to the pandemic. None of our pupils have sat statutory tests or assessments, so these cannot be reported on this year for any Primary school.

If you receive your child/children's report and would like to speak to their Teacher, or myself, please email the Office and we will arrange a phone consultation.

Thank you for your support and ongoing home-schooling during this challenging time.

Stay safe,

Diane Lakey